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SOMERSET, PISCATAQUIS, HANCOCK,
WASHINGTON, AND AROOSTOOK
COUNTIES, MAINE

Who among men art thou, and thy years how many, good friend?—XENOPHANES.

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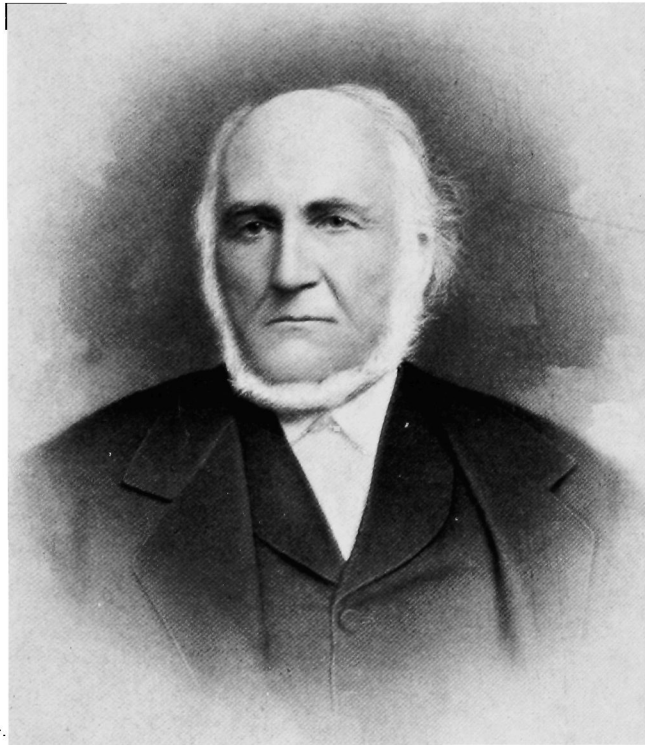
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PREFACE.

THE present volume of the BIOGRAPHICAL REVIEW, the XXIX. of our "Atlantic Series," is the fifth devoted to the Pine Tree State. It covers a wide field, comprising the border counties of Aroostook and Washington, Hancock of the southern coast, central Piscataquis, and far-reaching Somerset. With upward of four hundred and seventy names in the index, denoting that number of biographical sketches of prominent workers in various fields of useful activity, factors of progress and worthy of remembrance, this book may be considered, without undue assumption on our part, we trust, fairly representative of the industrial, the professional, and the public life of its locality in the closing years of the nineteenth century. Mindful of the growing interest in questions of descent and kinship, we have afforded space, where desired, for the addition of genealogical to biographical lore, giving to personal details, in a number of cases, perhaps the majority, a setting in an epitome of family history. At the same time these pages bear witness that we have not forgotten that the special province of biography is to show the worth and importance of the individual in society, to emphasize the power of personality.

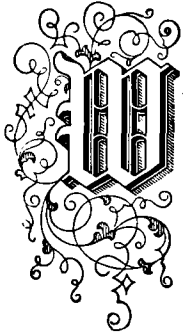
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ASA W. MOORE.

BIOGRAPHICAL.



WILLIAM H. MOORE, a prominent farmer and fruit-grower of Anson, Somerset County, was born in this town, March 30, 1840. A son of Colonel Asa Wyman Moore, he represents one of the old families of the town. The grandfather, Major Joseph Moore, when but three years of age was brought by his parents to Somerset County from his birthplace, in the hills of New Hampshire. He was reared on a farm in Norridgewock, receiving such education as could be obtained in the pioneer district schools. In early manhood he served in the State militia as Major; and after his removal to Anson about a century ago he kept a hotel there for a few years, giving good entertainment to man and beast. He also continued farming in Anson, built a saw-mill, and was one of the foremost men in the vicinity. His wife, whose maiden name was Hannah Fling, was born at Old Point, Me.

Colonel Asa W. Moore, who was born in Anson, May 7, 1806, on the old homestead, died November 6, 1895, in the house now occupied by his son. Having succeeded to the

paternal acres, he carried on general farming and lumbering with signal success, and for many years was very conspicuous in public life. In the State militia he commanded a regiment, was a member of the State Senate for two terms, and filled the offices of Selectman and Town Clerk at various times. He was quite well educated, and in his younger days was a popular teacher in the district school. Colonel Moore married Eliza Smith, who, born in Norridgewock, April 24, 1807, died on the home farm, February 17, 1883. Their children were: George A., Emma F., William H., and Charles S. George A., born August 15, 1829, spent forty years of his life on a ranch in California, engaged in sheep-raising and fruit-growing, and died there, August 20, 1894. His widow, whose maiden name was Emma Carr, resides in Oakland, Cal. Emma F., born April 5, 1831, is now the widow of the late Dr. Alonzo P. Allen, who was a prominent physician in Anson for many years. Since Dr. Allen's death on February 26, 1882, Mrs. Allen has kept house for her brother, William H. Charles S., the youngest child, born April 24, 1844, is a journalist, and lives in San Francisco, Cal.

William H. Moore received his education in an academy of Anson. From his earliest youth he worked on the farm, receiving an excellent training in the various branches of agriculture. As he advanced in years he gradually assumed the management of the homestead property, sedulously caring for his parents in their declining years. He now owns one hundred and thirty acres of the home farm, besides a farm of a hundred and eighty acres adjoining, the whole being a valuable and most desirable property. He carries on general farming, stock-raising, and dairying with success, making a specialty of fruit-growing, for which his land is especially adapted.

Mr. Moore has never married. He has been a member of the Board of Selectmen for one term, and has also given efficient service to his townsmen in less important public offices. Taking much interest in politics, he is a stanch supporter of the principles of the Republican party. An esteemed Odd Fellow, he belongs to Table Rock Lodge, No. 100, of North Anson village; and he is a member of the Grange. Both he and his sister, Mrs. Allen, attend the Methodist Episcopal church, of which their parents were active members.

ELBRIDGE A. THOMPSON, M.D., of Dover, Piscataquis County, a Civil War veteran, an ex-member of the legislature and Executive Council, and the founder of the Thompson Free Library of Dover, was born in Sangerville, Me., January 4,

1828. A son of James and Hannah H. (Coombs) Thompson, he is a grandson of James Thompson, Sr., a native of Londonderry, N.H., who was an early settler of Buckfield, Me., and a resident of that town for the rest of his life. Having spent his active years in general farming, Grandfather Thompson died, over eighty years old. By his three marriages he became the father of fifteen children, all of whom attained maturity. Two of the number are still living, namely: John Thompson, a resident of Prentiss, Me.; and Elisha, a resident of Gray, Me.

James Thompson (second), Dr. Thompson's father, was born in Buckfield in 1801. In early life he was a farmer; but later, after he moved to Sangerville, he was engaged in lumbering, and also kept a general store in that town from 1826 to 1850. The last twenty years of his life were spent as a merchant in Dover, and he died in 1871. In his later years he supported the Republican party, and he served in various town offices. His wife, who was born in Brunswick, Me., in 1806, became the mother of four children, all of whom are living, namely: Elbridge A., the subject of this sketch, who is the eldest; Amanda E., the widow of C. O. Palmer, late of Dover; Hannah M., the widow of Edward H. Guernsey, late of this town; and Dr. Edwin J. Thompson, of Lynn, Mass. The mother was eighty-four years old at her death. She attended the Methodist Episcopal church.

Elbridge A. Thompson attended the district schools of Sangerville and the Foxcroft Academy. In 1848 he entered Bowdoin College,

where he remained two years. Subsequently in 1852 he graduated from the Castleton (Vt.) Medical School. Having then located for practice in Charleston, Me., he resided there for ten years. In 1862 he was commissioned a surgeon in the United States service, and performed active duty in the Civil War until December, 1864. Afterward he was connected with the Provost Marshal's office in Bangor from January 1, 1865, until the close of the war, when he settled in Dover, and resumed his private practice. Dr. Thompson has been unusually successful as a physician and surgeon, being at the present time one of the best known practitioners in Piscataquis County. Though still upon the active list, he is gradually relinquishing his large practice, with the intention of permanently retiring in the near future. The financial returns from his professional work have been judiciously invested in local enterprises. He was the president of Piscataquis Savings Bank for twelve years, and is now a trustee; and he has been the president of Kineo National Bank for the past ten years. He is also the treasurer of the Dexter & Piscataquis Railroad and of the Dover and Foxcroft Light and Heat Company.

In politics Dr. Thompson is a Republican. He has been honored with several important elective offices and executive appointments, all of which he filled with ability. His official duties brought him into close contact with the leading men of this and other States, his large list of personal friends including several political and professional men of note.

He was a member of the Board of Selectmen for four terms, has been connected with the School Board for fifteen years, represented this district in the legislature in 1871, was surgeon-general on the Governor's staff during the same year, a member of the Executive Council in 1873 and 1874, a member of the United States Board of Examiners in pension cases for twenty-eight years, alternate to the Republican National Convention in 1876, delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1880, delegate-at-large to the Republican National Convention in 1896, and at the present time he is a trustee of the Foxcroft Academy. Liberal and public-spirited to a high degree, he started the Thompson Free Library by donating a building and a fund of ten thousand dollars. In 1854 he married for his first wife Marion Foss, who lived but one year after the ceremony. A second marriage was contracted in 1858 with Lucia A. Eddy, of Corinth, Me. The Doctor attends the Methodist Episcopal church. A thirty-second degree Mason, he is a member of the Blue Lodge and Chapter in Dover; of St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Bangor; and of the Maine Consistory in Portland. He is also a comrade of C. S. Douty Post, G. A. R.

RATHANIEL H. VINING, chairman of the Board of Selectmen of St. Albans, Somerset County, was born in this town, July 13, 1839, son of Israel and Joan (Bigelow) Vining. The grandfather, Josiah Vining, moved from Litchfield, Me.,

to St. Albans, settling upon a tract of land in the vicinity of the old Quaker meeting-house, and engaged in farming. He married Esther Clough, of Durham, Me., and had a family of eleven children, namely: Sarah, who married Hiram Hawes, of St. Albans, and is no longer living; Jeremiah, who died in California; Abbie, who is now a widow and resides in Amesbury, Mass.; Jacob, at one time a minister and later a cashier of a bank, who married Lucy Dillingham, both being now deceased; Louisa Vining, a school teacher, who has taught in six different States; Israel, the father of Nathaniel H.; Esther, a school teacher in Merrimac, Mass., now deceased; John and Josiah, both of whom died young; Ruth C., who taught in a Friends' school for several years, and is now the widow of Ephraim Huntington; and William Francis Vining, who married Rebecca Currier, of Amesbury, Mass., and is now a retired carriage manufacturer of that town.

Israel Vining, who was born in Litchfield, came in childhood with his parents to St. Albans. When a young man he located where his son Nathaniel H. now resides, and cleared from the wilderness a good farm, which he occupied until his death. He was an industrious farmer and a useful citizen, who figured quite prominently in local public affairs; and he was highly esteemed for his many commendable qualities. He served as Deputy Sheriff of the county, and was Collector of Taxes for several years. His wife, Joan, who was a native of Skowhegan, married for her first husband Nathaniel Hawes, of

Harmony, Me., by whom she had one daughter, Rosetta, now deceased, who was the wife of John Hoyt. Her second union was with Israel Vining, by whom she had five children, namely: Nathaniel H., the subject of this sketch; James Selden, who died at the age of seven years; Henry C., born February 23, 1846, now a civil engineer in Seattle, Wash.; George W., born in February, 1848, who is now a retired business man of Seattle; and Joseph Cushman Vining, a cabinet-maker, who married Ella Whittemore, of Chelsea, Mass., and has two children — Frank C. and Albert. George W. Vining was formerly manager of the North-western Cracker and Confectionery Company of Seattle, and prominent in the business circles of that city. He married Mary Edna Lucas, and his children are: Ruth Winnifred and Harold Luther Vining. The mother is no longer living.

Nathaniel H. Vining began his education in the common schools, afterward attended the Oak Grove Academy, and completed his studies at a business college. He has always resided at the homestead, having had charge of the property during his father's declining years, and succeeding to its possession after the death of his parents. Besides the home farm, which contains one hundred and twenty acres, he owns some outlying land, and is engaged in general farming and the raising of hogs, sheep, cattle, and horses. On September 20, 1864, he was joined in marriage with Annie L. Stone, who was born in Ripley, Me., February 23, 1846, daughter of Cyrus and Maria (Prescott) Stone. The former,

born August 3, 1817, died January 3, 1876. The mother, who was born August 9, 1824, is now living with her daughter. Cyrus and Maria Stone reared four children: Jesse, a veteran of the Civil War, born March 24, 1844, who married Lizzie Rand, and is now a carpenter in Boston; Annie L., who is now Mrs. Vining; Harriet A., who died April 5, 1895; and Nora Belle, who is the widow of Willard Griffin, late of Cambridge, Mass., and is now living in Somerville, Mass. Mrs. Vining has had four children, namely: Carrie Mabel, born February 14, 1866, who was a school teacher in Seattle, and died in that city, November 28, 1887; Selden, a resident of Seattle, born September 15, 1867, who is married and has one daughter, Marie T.; Frank Newell, born March 22, 1872, who is now a member of the School Board and resides at home; and Florence R. Vining, born December 26, 1876, who resides principally in Massachusetts, where she is engaged in dress-making.

In politics Mr. Vining is a Republican and a member of the Town Committee. For twelve years he was Town Treasurer. He has served as Tax Collector and a member of the Board of Health, is a Justice of the Peace, has been a Selectman for several years, and is now the chairman of the board. He is connected with Hartland Lodge, No. 101, I. O. O. F.; and St. Albans Grange, No. 114, Patrons of Husbandry; and he attends the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Vining was a member of the School Board from 1894 to 1896, being the first woman elected

to that body. Since 1891 she has been the secretary of the Somerset County organization of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

SAMUEL R. BYRAM, the proprietor of the oldest established drug business in Eastport, was born in this city, September 8, 1818, son of Henry and Betsey (Ricker) Byram. The family's earliest ancestors of whom there is any authentic knowledge were Captain Nicholas and Mary Edson Byram, who were married in 1676 and died in 1727. They were the parents of ten children, namely: Bethiah, born in 1678; Margaret, born in 1680; Mehitable (first), born in 1683; Mehitable (second), born in 1685; Michael, born in 1687; Mary, born in 1690; Eleanor, born in 1692; Susanna, born in 1695; Josiah, born in 1698; and Joseph, born in 1701. Josiah Byram, the next in line, married Hannah Rickan in 1720, and their children were: Susanna, born in 1721; Jonah, born in 1723; Theophilus, born in 1725; Mehitable, born in 1730; and Relief, born in 1732. Theophilus Byram, great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, settled in North Yarmouth, Me., where he died in 1812. In 1749 he married Mrs. Elizabeth, or Betsey, (Blackman) Beal, widow of Samuel Beal (second). Their children were: Josiah, born in 1750; Oliver, born in 1751; David, born in 1753; James, born in 1756; Melzar, born in 1759; and Susanna, the date of whose birth is not known. The grandfather, Oliver Byram, married Elizabeth Moxey.

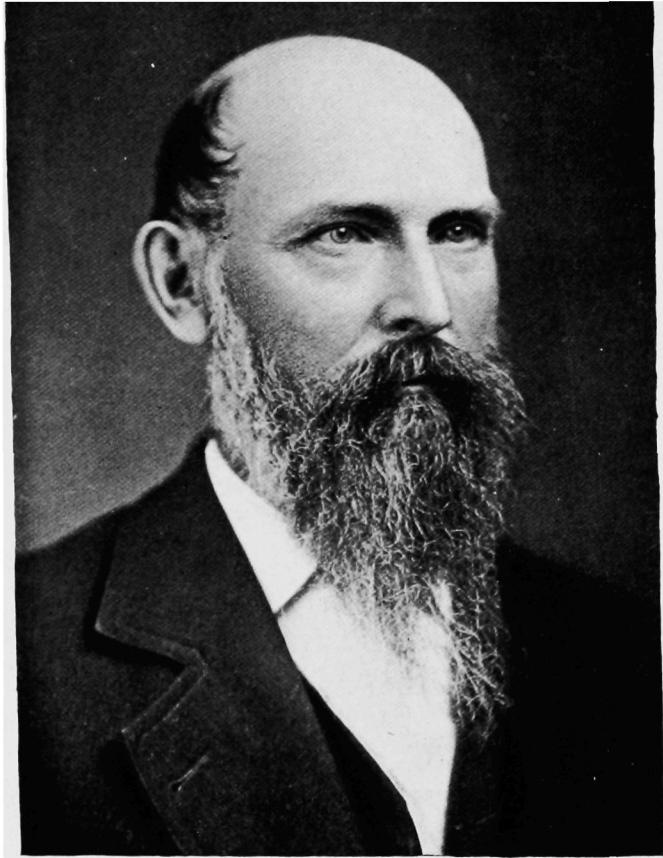
Henry Byram, son of Oliver, born in North Yarmouth, August 15, 1780, was a mason by trade. After moving to Eastport in 1813 or 1814, he was a master workman here until 1830. In that year he established the drug business now carried on by his son, and was actively interested in it for ten years, when failing health caused him to retire. He died February 15, 1848. In politics he supported the Democratic party. Betsey Ricker Byram, his wife, whom he married January 10, 1805, was born in Berwick, Me., June 24, 1781. She was a member of the Baptist church. Her children were born as follows: Alfred R., January 13, 1806; Henry O., February 6, 1808; Delano, September 29, 1809; Alfred R. (second), October 30, 1811; Jabez R., September 11, 1813; Samuel R., the subject of this sketch; and William P. Byram, October 8, 1820. The first five were natives of North Yarmouth, and the others were natives of Eastport. The only survivors of the number are: Alfred R. Byram, of Vineland, N. J.; and Samuel R., the subject of this sketch. The mother died February 25, 1861.

Samuel R. Byram attended school regularly until he was thirteen years old, at which time he began to assist his father in business. Owing to the feeble state of the latter's health he found it necessary thereafter to devote the greater part of his time to the store. Succeeding to its ownership in 1840, he has for a period of fifty-seven years dispensed medicine to the people of Eastport, and is still actively engaged in his useful calling. He carries a full line of drugs, chemicals, pat-

ent medicines, fancy goods, stationery, etc.; and his store is not only the oldest of its kind in the city, but is also very liberally patronized. He has always taken an active part in public affairs. In all he served as Town and City Clerk for some thirty-eight years, first from 1848 to 1853 and then from 1862 to March, 1895. He is well informed upon all subjects of general interest to the community, and has acted as a Justice of the Peace since 1879. Politically, he is a Republican.

On November 16, 1854, Mr. Byram was united in marriage with Mary L. Hawkes. She was born in Eastport, October 24, 1832, daughter of Micajah and Sally (Wheeler) Hawkes, the former of whom served as assistant surgeon in the United States navy during the War of 1812, and was on board of the "Hornet" at the time of her engagement with the "Peacock." Mr. and Mrs. Byram have one daughter, Sally Wheeler, who assists her father in the store. Mr. Byram was made a Mason in Eastern Lodge, No. 7, in 1848, and is still a member of that body. He is also an esteemed member of the Central Congregational Church.

JAMES C. DILL, an enterprising woollen manufacturer of Abbot, Piscataquis County, was born in Gray, Cumberland County, Me., April 24, 1862, son of Captain James C. and Abigail (Douty) Dill. His father was a native of the British Provinces, and his mother was born in Gray. The paternal grandfather was James C. Dill, a



CYRUS A. PACKARD.

bridge builder by occupation, who moved to the United States from the Provinces.

James C. Dill, second, father of the subject of this sketch, came to Maine when an infant, and resided in Yarmouth during his boyhood and youth. At an early age he began to follow the sea, and worked his way forward until he became a ship-master. Building a vessel at Yarmouth, he commanded her until his death, which occurred at the early age of thirty years. He had one son, his namesake, James C., whose name begins this sketch. Mrs. Dill married for her second husband Isaac Bagnall, and is now a resident of Houlton.

James C. Dill (third) attended the common schools of Gray, and supplemented his elementary studies with a business course at a commercial college in Portland. Learning the wool carder's trade, he has since followed it, both as a journeyman and as a manufacturer, in various places, including Hanover, Me. He located in Abbott in 1895. He has a good water-power, with steam in reserve, and, having completely remodelled his plant, is now the owner of one of the best equipped woollen-mills in this section. He employs six hands, and makes a specialty of fine yarns.

On October 25, 1888, Mr. Dill married Jennie L. Barker, who was born in Newry, Me., daughter of Ebenezer and Emma Barker. He has one son, James A., born in Hanover, September 28, 1889.

Politically, Mr. Dill is a Republican, and while residing in Hanover he served with ability as Tax Collector and Supervisor of

Schools. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge of Guilford, and of the Patrons of Husbandry of Abbott. His business ability and progressive tendencies have enabled him to advance rapidly in prosperity, and the success he has acquired is the result of his own energy and perseverance.

CYRUS A. PACKARD, who was First Selectman of Blanchard, Piscataquis County, for twenty-five years and Town Clerk for sixteen years, was born in Hebron, Me., December 22, 1822. A son of Reuel K. and Patience (Bowker) Packard, he was a descendant of Samuel Packard, who came from England in the ship "Diligence" in 1638, and settled in what is now the city of Brockton, Mass. From Samuel Packard the line is traced through Zaccheus, who married Sarah Howard; James, who married Jemima Keith; Reuben, who married Anna Perkins; and Ichabod, Cyrus A. Packard's grandfather, who married Rachel Cole. Reuben Packard, of the fourth generation from Samuel, was Orderly Sergeant in Captain Josiah Hayden's company of minute-men, who took part in the battle of Lexington, April 19, 1775. Ichabod Packard was a private in Captain Elisha Mitchell's company, Colonel Simon Carey's regiment, which started for the front April 2, 1775. He served also in Abiel Pierce's company, Colonel Nicholas Dike's regiment, from August 3 to November 29, 1776. His wife was a member of the

family of Joseph Cole, who had four sons and four grandsons in the Revolution.

Reuel K. Packard, born in Hebron, Me., January 26, 1792, who was a carpenter by trade, moved from Hebron to Monson soon after his marriage and from Monson to Blanchard in 1834. In Monson he was engaged in trade and milling. He was one of the early merchants of Blanchard, and for a number of years was interested in a grist-mill here. A Whig in politics, he was Town Clerk for a number of years; and, an active member of the Congregational church, he was Deacon for several years. He died January 2, 1862. His wife, who was born in Hebron, March 28, 1791, died October 7, 1872. They had three children, namely: Augustus, who died in Hebron, aged about four years; Cyrus A., the subject of this sketch; and Henry M., born September 2, 1826, who was killed in Blanchard by the bursting of a saw, November 5, 1850.

Having been educated in the schools of Monson and Blanchard and at the Foxcroft Academy, Cyrus A. Packard taught school for six terms in this vicinity. In his early manhood he worked for a while at carpentry with his father. Then he and Joseph B. Packard engaged in the manufacture of matches in Blanchard, but they soon abandoned the enterprise on account of the tax. For six months in 1864 he was in the employ of the Sanitary Commission at Washington, looking after the sick and wounded Maine soldiers. In the fall of the same year he enlisted in Company G, Seventeenth Maine Regiment of Volunteers,

and was assigned to duty in the Provost Marshal's office in Bangor, where he was occupied until the close of the war. A Republican from the time of the formation of the party, he was County Commissioner of Piscataquis County for nine years; and by the appointment of Governor Davis he was State land agent until 1892, a period of twelve years. He was elected to the State legislature of 1895, receiving all the votes cast in his district but three. Mr. Packard was made a Mason in 1868, and belonged to Doric Lodge in Monson. He was a member of the Congregational church. Gifted with a wonderful memory, he was well versed in history, especially in the history of his own county. He died December 7, 1896, the first to break his family circle.

On April 5, 1848, Mr. Packard was married to Sarah Packard, who was born in Hebron, September 7, 1827. Her father, Ephraim Packard, born March 13, 1790, settled in Blanchard in 1830, before any roads had been opened here. Besides conducting a farm he managed a hotel for a while. He was County Commissioner for six years and Probate Judge at the time of his death. In the Congregational church at Blanchard he was a Deacon. He died November 2, 1855. His wife, who was born November 28, 1792, died August 25, 1862. Cyrus A. Packard left a widow and eight children. The children are: Reuel A., born April 13, 1849, a carpenter of Guilford, Me.; Charles E., born September 2, 1850, a lumber manufacturer of the same town; Emma B., born May 10, 1854, wife of J. Warren

Chamberlain, of Blanchard; Henry M., born March 28, 1857, station agent in Blanchard; Anna I., born September 25, 1861, wife of L. W. Gammon, of Guilford; Lizzie E., born September 23, 1863, wife of John Patten, of the Blanchard hotel, the Valley House; Evvie M., born November 25, 1865, wife of C. Sumner Packard, of Blanchard; and Edmond B., born January 22, 1870, residing in Blanchard. Mr. Patten, mentioned above, has charge of the old Packard home in this town. Mrs. Packard lives with her son Henry M. The latter attended the schools of Blanchard, and graduated at Dirigo College, Augusta, in 1886. In early life he was engaged for a while in farming; and during two summer seasons he was surveying for the State in Aroostook County, in the vicinity of Madawaska. Since 1892 he has been station agent here, on the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad. He was elected First Selectman as his father's successor, and has been Town Clerk for seventeen years. Well advanced in Masonry, he is a member of the lodge at Monson and the chapter at Dover. He is not married.

HRA G. HERSEY, of Houlton, a leading attorney of Aroostook County, was born in Hodgdon, Me., on March 31, 1858. A son of Samuel B. and Elizabeth (White) Hersey, he is a descendant of William Hersey, who settled in Hingham, Mass., in 1635. He attended the common schools of his native town, and subsequently Houlton Academy, now the Ricker Classical Institute.

After leaving the academy, he read law with the Hon. Lyman S. Strickland, of Houlton, and in September, 1880, was admitted to the bar of Aroostook County. Since that time he has built up a large and lucrative practice, and has acquired an enviable reputation. He is especially strong in addressing a jury, and is a skilful cross-examiner on jury trials. On this account he is now often called upon to act as counsel for cases tried before juries.

In 1896 Mr. Hersey was a candidate for County Attorney on the Independent ticket, and received nearly three thousand votes. He was beaten only by a small majority, the Republican candidate being elected. His handsome and spacious law office at Houlton, one of the finest in the State, contains a large and valuable law library. Mr. Hersey is thoroughly acquainted with the resources of the State and well informed on all industrial and financial questions. Much of this information has been obtained on political canvasses. In the campaign of 1894 he was candidate for Governor on the Prohibition ticket, and spoke to large audiences in the interest of his party in nearly all the large cities and towns. He has also spoken in various other campaigns. His first vote was cast for a Prohibition candidate, and he has always since been a staunch Prohibitionist. To-day he is recognized as the backbone of the party in the county. Besides the political speeches he has delivered, he has made occasional addresses before the Ricker Classical Institute, his Alma Mater. His speeches are said to be characterized by "fire, eloquence, and grace."

Mr. Hersey is an active member and an official of the Methodist Episcopal church in Houlton. On various occasions, at the request of the congregation, when the pastor was absent, he preached from the pulpit of that church. At one time he was the State president of the Epworth League and prominent in the Young Men's Christian Association. He is also a trustee of the Eastern Maine Seminary at Bucksport. A Mason of Monument Lodge, No. 96, he belongs to St. Aldemar Commandery, and is Deputy High Priest of the State. In the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows he has taken all the degrees, and at the present time is Deputy Grand Master of the latter organization. He was married on January 6, 1885, to Miss Annie Dillon, a daughter of William Dillon, of Mars Hill, Aroostook County.

MON. ALBERT W. CHAPIN, one of the pioneers of the slate quarrying industry in Monson, an ex-State Senator, and a Civil War veteran, was born in this town, June 11, 1842, son of Aretas and Mary W. (Whiting) Chapin. A descendant of the Chapin family, he is of English or Welsh origin. Chapins have figured prominently among the early settlers of Springfield, Mass. The immigrant ancestor, Samuel, came to the country with a brother, who was killed by the Indians soon after his arrival. Samuel settled in Springfield, and was the progenitor of a numerous posterity.

Captain Amasa Chapin, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was born in Monson, Mass., in 1782. When a young man he served as Captain in the Massachusetts State militia. In 1819 he settled as a pioneer in Monson, Me., where he acquired possession of a tract of wild land one mile square. After clearing a farm here he cultivated it during the rest of his active period, and was one of the stirring men of this locality in his day. He attended the first town meeting, and took an active part in organizing the town government, in which he was for many years a prominent factor. In politics he was a Whig. He died in 1852. Of his two children, one lived to maturity.

Aretas Chapin, son of Captain Amasa Chapin, was born in Monson in 1806. Having assisted his father for a time in carrying on the farm, he succeeded to the property, and sold it in 1840. Moving then to the village, he purchased a saw and grist mill, which he operated until 1872. In 1861 he became the proprietor of the Hotel Chapin, in which he continued to entertain the travelling public until a few years previous to his death, which occurred in 1878. He served as a Selectman for nearly twenty years, was a County Commissioner for the years 1858, 1859, and 1860, represented his district in the legislature for one term, and held other elective offices. He took especial interest in educational matters, and was one of the founders of the Monson Academy. In his later years his political faith was that of the Republican party, while his religious belief was the

Congregational. His wife, Mary W. Chapin, who was born in Wrentham, Mass., about the year 1810, became the mother of five children. Of these, three are living, namely: Albert W., the subject of this sketch; Emily C., the wife of Charles A. Wentworth, a prosperous farmer of Ontario, Ia.; and Charles W. Chapin, an engineer in Sioux City, Ia. The others were: Francis M. and J. Henry Chapin. The mother, who survives the father, resides in Monson.

Albert W. Chapin completed his education at the Monson Academy. In July, 1862, he enlisted in the Eighteenth Regiment, later known as the First Maine Heavy Artillery. This regiment saw an unusual amount of hard fighting, and distinguished itself on several notable occasions, especially in the battle of Spottsylvania and at the siege of Petersburg, in both of which it is claimed that it lost a greater percentage of men than any other regiment in the service. Mr. Chapin remained with his company until the close of the war, excepting a period of four months spent in the hospital on account of a severe wound received in front of Petersburg. After he was mustered out in October, 1865, he returned to Monson, and was clerk of Hotel Chapin for the ensuing five or six years. While there his attention was attracted to the future possibilities of slate quarrying in Monson, which up to that time had received little or no notice. In 1871 he began the development of what has since proved one of the most important industries of this section, the Monson and Burmah Quarry. The product of this quarry

has acquired a high reputation among the builders throughout the country. While still retaining a connection with that enterprise, Mr. Chapin has become the owner of three undeveloped quarries and some valuable tracts of timber land, is interested in lumbering, and deals in real estate.

A member of the Board of Selectmen for seventeen years, Mr. Chapin has been the chairman of that body for sixteen years of the period. He was elected to the State Senate in 1891, and he served as Postmaster for eight years. At the present time he is the Treasurer of Doric Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he was Worshipful Master for two years; and he is a comrade of Gerry Post, No. 5, G. A. R. He occupies a prominent and influential position among the well-to-do business men of Monson, and is highly respected for his ability and upright character. Mr. Chapin is unmarried.

ABEL DAVIS, an able lawyer of Pittsfield and a Civil War veteran, was born in New Portland, January 16, 1842, son of Henry D. and Jane M. (Masters) Davis. The father, a native of Dalhousie, N.B., during his earlier years resided in Marimichi and Maguadavic, N.B. When about forty years old he came to Maine, and, settling in New Portland, was there engaged in farming and lumbering until his death, which occurred March 26, 1868, at the age of seventy years. Jane M. Davis, his wife, who was a native of Maguadavic, became the

mother of ten children. Of these, six are living, namely: Hannah Elizabeth, the wife of H. L. Kimball, of Skowhegan; Abel, the subject of this sketch; Mariamne, who became Mrs. Mills, and is now a widow, residing in San Francisco, Cal.; Henrietta M., who married Lorenzo D. Getchell, and lives in Skowhegan; Henry D., a resident of Eau Claire, Wis.; and Ada M., the wife of Charles Webb, of New Portland. The others were: Angelica; Margaret Jane, who died May 12, 1854; Sarah M.; and William M. Davis. The mother died April 15, 1897, aged eighty-two years.

Abel Davis acquired his early education in the common schools of New Portland. At the age of nineteen years he enlisted in the Fourth Regiment of Light Artillery, Maine Volunteers, entering the service January 11, 1862. At the battle of Cedar Mountain he was struck in the leg by a piece of shell, causing a severe wound. After passing some months in the hospitals of Alexandria, Va., and David's Island, N.Y., he was discharged January 26, 1863. Subsequent to his return he settled upon a farm which he had previously purchased in his native town. During the succeeding five years he cultivated this property to some extent, drove a milk wagon in Lewiston for some time, worked upon a farm in New Gloucester, Me., was employed for a year upon the steamer "Montreal," plying between Portland and Boston, and also worked in the woods. In 1868, after his father's death, he went to Eau Claire, Wis., where he was engaged in lumbering for about

two years. Having begun the study of law in 1871, he graduated from the law department of the State University in Madison, Wis., June 19, 1873. Then, forming a partnership with Joseph F. Ellis, he practised his profession in Eau Claire for four years, being at the same time associated with his brother in the lumber business. Failing health having caused him to rest from active business, he spent the summer of 1877 at his old home in Maine. Returning West that fall, he resumed the practice of law. In 1881 he returned East again, and on June 18, while in Boston, he was prostrated on Boston Common by a stroke of paralysis, which subsequently confined him at the Massachusetts General Hospital for some weeks. When sufficiently recovered he went to Maine. In 1882 he resumed farming in New Portland, remaining there for two years. At the end of that time he sold his property, and once more returned to Eau Claire, where he engaged in a mercantile business. A year later he was again forced by feeble health to take a rest. Finding the climate of Wisconsin unfavorable to his permanent recovery, he came East in 1885, stopping in Lewiston for a short time and finally locating in Pittsfield, where he has since practised law with success. He has always manifested a lively interest in public affairs. On one occasion, while residing in Eau Claire, he delivered a speech upon an important political issue, which brought him into popular favor. He has served as Moderator at town meetings in Pittsfield, has been a member of the Board

of Assessors, and was chairman of the Village Corporation for one year. In politics he is a Republican.

On August 28, 1890, Mr. Davis was united in marriage with Mrs. Angie B. (Rogers) Morrill, who was born in Lewiston, October 16, 1849, daughter of Miller J. and Angeline (Blackstone) Rogers. Her first husband died in Buckfield, Me., where he was a farmer, merchant, and cattle dealer. Mrs. Davis's father, who is no longer living, was for many years a cotton manufacturer in Lewiston. Her mother is still living, and resides with a daughter in the last named city. In 1874 Mr. Davis joined Chippewa Lodge, I. O. O. F., and Wilderness Encampment in Eau Claire, and is now connected with Phlentionia Lodge and Pittsfield Encampment. He is also a member of Pioneer Lodge, No. 71, Knights of Pythias; of the Patrons of Husbandry; and of Stephen Davis Post, No. 11, G. A. R., all of this town. He attends the Universalist church. Mrs. Davis died February 5, 1898.

JOSIAH H. SMITH, a prosperous and progressive farmer of Trenton, Hancock County, son of Moses Smith, was born November 14, 1833, in the neighboring town of Eastbrook. His grandfather, John Smith, a pioneer settler of this part of Maine, came from Massachusetts with his wife and two sons, and, taking up a tract of wild land, cleared a farm, which at his death was divided between the two boys, and which is still in the possession of the family.

Moses Smith worked manfully in the pioneer task of clearing the land for cultivation during his boyhood and early manhood. On coming into possession of his portion of the property he continued his labors as a general farmer, and lived there until a few years prior to his death. Removing then a mile farther North, he there spent the remainder of his threescore and ten years of earthly existence. To him and his wife, whose maiden name was Christina Haslen, twelve children were born; namely, Lucy, J. Madison, Phœbe H., Josiah H., Pamela, Seth T., Julia B., Caroline N., Zelman B., Eben W., Moses C., and Mehitable. Of these Lucy, Phœbe, Pamela, Seth, Julia, and Mehitable are deceased.

Josiah H. Smith obtained a district-school education, and for some years after worked out as a farm hand or lumberman, until he had accumulated sufficient money to buy a farm. He moved in 1859 to the town of Franklin, where he continued in the lumber business for some years. In 1864 he enlisted in the First Maine Cavalry, with which he served until the close of the Rebellion, participating in several severe engagements, and being at the forefront all of the time during the siege of Petersburg. On being mustered out of the service he returned to Franklin, and, resuming farming and lumbering, remained there until 1883, when he bought his present fine farm of two hundred acres in Trenton.

Mr. Smith is a Mason; also a member of William H. H. Rice Post, G. A. R., of Ellsworth. He is a Republican in politics, and cast his first Presidential vote in 1856 for

John C. Fremont. From July, 1893, to August, 1895, he was Postmaster at Trenton. On February 4, 1855, he married Sarah M., daughter of John G. and Palmyra (Gould) Dyer, of Franklin, Me. They have two children—Henry C. and Mina A. Both Mr. and Mrs. Smith united with the Baptist church in Franklin, and both are members of the Lamoine Grange.

FRANK W. BURNS, a practical and progressive farmer and liveryman of Fort Fairfield, Aroostook County, was born June 12, 1848, in Andover, N.B. His parents, William H. and Adelaide (Murphy) Burns, reared eight children, of whom he was the first-born. The others are: Mrs. Martha Corey, of Skowhegan, Me.; Robert B., of Williams, Ariz.; Charlotte, the wife of Lockland Hayes, of Fort Fairfield; James W., who lives on the parental homestead; Stephen A. D., a resident of Wisconsin; Arthur E., of Moro, Me.; and Adelaide, the wife of Charles Young, of Skowhegan, Me.

Frank W. Burns spent his early years on the home farm in New Brunswick, where his opportunities for acquiring an education were exceedingly limited. When the necessity for earning his own livelihood became impressed upon his mind, he came to Fort Fairfield for the purpose of learning the harness-maker's trade. Entering the shop of H. C. Collins, he was associated with him for nearly ten years, as an apprentice for three years and as a co-partner for seven years, during which

period they also conducted a livery business. Then the partnership was dissolved, Mr. Collins retaining control of the harness shop, and Mr. Burns taking the livery. To Mr. Burns belongs the distinction of putting out the first sign ever hung in Fort Fairfield. It read "Livery Stable," and is still swinging at the same location in the old village, which prior to the building of the Canada & Pacific Railroad was the business part of the town. Mr. Burns subsequently transferred his business to the present village, where he has been quite successful. Formerly he raised a great deal of stock, including horses. He also dealt in Chicago and other Western horses, which for some years had a large sale in this part of the country. Now he raises a few horses, preferring to give more of his time to general farming. Some years ago he bought the Nelson estate of one hundred and sixty-five acres. Recently the purchase of a neighboring farm made him the owner of a total of two hundred and fifty acres of land. A large part of this he devoted to raising potatoes and the hay and grain required in his livery business. He is an up-to-date farmer, his farm being, without doubt, one of the best equipped in the vicinity. In the summer of 1897 he erected one of the largest potato storehouses in the town, building it after unique plans of his own, in such a way that the two thousand barrels of potatoes it is capable of holding may be kept at an even temperature throughout the year. He has also other interests of a mercantile nature, being associated with Mr. Slocum in the clothing business.

In politics Mr. Burns is first, last, and always a Republican and one of the foremost workers in the party, having been a member of the Republican Town Committee for a dozen years or more. From 1881 until 1883 he was Deputy Sheriff, and for the ensuing four years he was High Sheriff. On June 1, 1898, he was appointed Collector of Customs for the Fort Fairfield district. Fraternally, he belongs to Eastern Frontier Lodge, No. 112, F. & A. M. Although not a member of any religious organization, he is greatly interested in the moral and intellectual welfare of the community, and contributes generously toward the support of churches of all denominations. On December 21, 1874, he married Eliza M., daughter of Caleb Slocum. They have seven children; namely, Harry P., Willie B., A. Pearl, Caleb E., Sarah C., Frank W., and Alfred Sawyer Burns.

CAPTAIN ARCHIBALD C. LAMBERT, a prominent farmer and stock-raiser of South Dover and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in this town, December 31, 1832, son of Benjamin and Clarissa (Bragg) Lambert. He comes of English origin. The grandfather, Paul Lambert, who was one of the first settlers of South Dover, came from Winthrop, Kennebec County, Me., in 1808. He acquired a tract of five hundred acres of wild land, to which, after making a clearing and erecting a dwelling, he brought his family. In time the farm yielded bountiful crops, and he was able to furnish many of

the pioneer settlers with seed and stock. One of the most industrious men of his day, despite the many setbacks that fell to the lot of a pioneer, he was quite successful, and was able to give a farm to each of his sons. He was a Whig in politics and a Baptist in his religion. The maiden name of his wife was Mercy Dexter. She became the mother of seven sons and three daughters, all of whom settled in the neighborhood of the homestead. Of these, the only survivor is Stephen Lambert, who is now residing in Belvidere, Ill. Paul Lambert died at the age of seventy-three years, and his wife lived to be ninety-six.

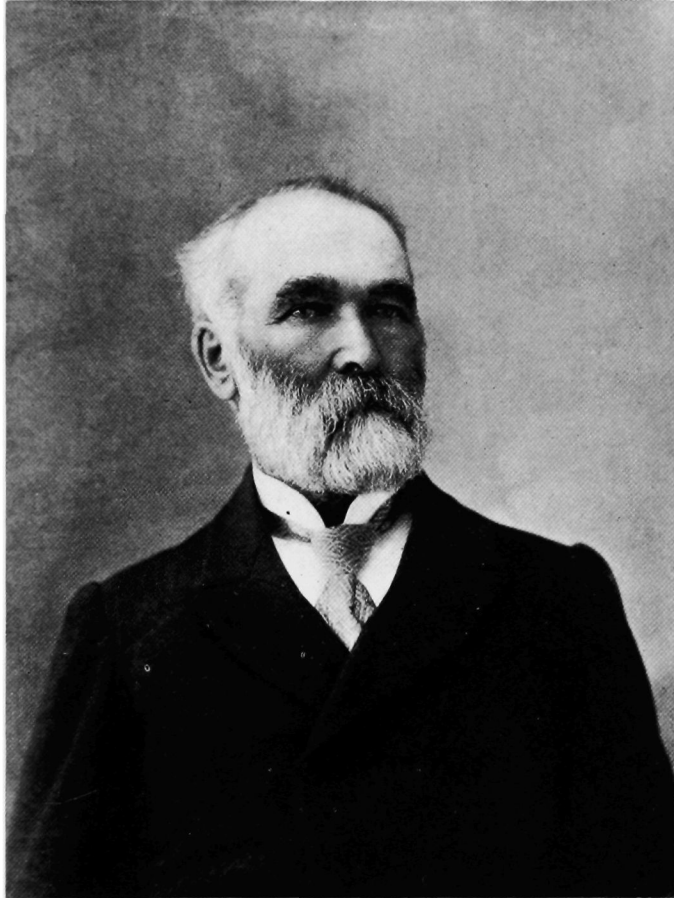
Benjamin Lambert, Captain Lambert's father, born in Winthrop in June, 1808, who was reared to farm life in South Dover, spent his active years in tilling the soil. He took a deep interest in the general welfare of the community. One of the first to join the Republican movement in Dover, he assisted in forming the first local organization, and he supported that party vigorously. He died January 29, 1890, in his eighty-second year. His family consisted of seven children, namely: Clarissa, who married Captain Melborn P. Smith, and died March 9, 1875; Shepard, who enlisted in a Wisconsin regiment for service in the Civil War, and was accidentally shot in 1862; Archibald C., the subject of this sketch; Frances, who is now Mrs. Withee, and resides in Wisconsin; Lydia, now Mrs. Coburn, of Indiana; Henry H., who lives in California; and Amelia, now Mrs. Sanborn, also residing in Indiana. Mrs. Benjamin Lambert is no longer living.

Archibald C. Lambert attended the district schools of his native town, and grew to manhood as a farmer. He remained upon the home farm assisting his father until the second year of the Rebellion, when he raised Company I, Twenty-second Regiment, Maine Volunteers, and was mustered into service as its Captain on September 24, 1862. His regiment was sent to the Lower Mississippi, where it took part in the battles of Baton Rouge and Irish Bend and in the siege of Port Hudson. With the exception of eight days spent in the Marine Hospital at New Orleans, Captain Lambert remained at the head of his company until his discharge in 1863. In 1864 he went to California, where he remained a year. Upon his return to Dover he resumed farming, which he has since followed with success. He owns two hundred and fifty acres of excellent tillage and pasture land, and is an extensive breeder of cattle and horses. A stallion belonging to him was awarded first premium at the State Fair in 1892. One of the most able and practical agriculturists in this section, he ranks among the leading stock-raisers of Dover. In politics he is a Republican. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity and a comrade of Doughty Post, G. A. R.

On January 1, 1857, Captain Lambert was joined in marriage with Eliza J. Ames, who was born in Bradford, Me., January 17, 1836, daughter of the Rev. Moses and Rebecca (Strout) Ames. Her father, born in the same town, December 8, 1811, died in South Dover, September 30, 1860. Her mother,

who was born in Limerick, Me., December 22, 1811, died in South Dover, April 3, 1876. Moses and Rebecca Ames reared four children, namely: Royal, born November 4, 1833, who died January 7, 1861; Eliza J., now Mrs. Lambert; Abbie M., born May 19, 1838, who is now the wife of Alfred Bragg, of Dover; and Joseph M., born August 25, 1841, who is a resident of East Corinth, Me. Captain and Mrs. Lambert have had three children: Freddie C., born August 8, 1861, who died at the age of nineteen months; Charlie A., born April 6, 1870, who died at the age of four years; and Cora R., the eldest, who was born October 9, 1857. Cora married the Rev. Wilson W. Hayden, a graduate of Bates College, Lewiston, Me., who now resides in Madison, Me. She has one son, Archibald L. Hayden. Captain and Mrs. Lambert attend the Free Will Baptist church.

ROSAMUS LOWELL MITCHELL, the proprietor of an extensive wood-working establishment in Skowhegan, Somerset County, was born in Norridgewock, January 26, 1830, son of Jonathan and Nancy B. (Walton) Mitchell. Some of his ancestors were Revolutionary patriots. His grandfather, John Mitchell, a native of Bath, Me., who spent the most of his life in Chester, Me., and lived to be eighty-one years old, reared four sons and three daughters. Jonathan Mitchell, son of John, was born in Chester, now Chesterville, Me. During the War of 1812 he was called out with a com-



ROSAMUS L. MITCHELL.

pany, and served for a short time. He cultivated a farm for a space, and later was engaged in woodworking and blacksmithing in Norridgewock. At his death he was ninety-one years old. In religious belief he was a Baptist. His wife, Nancy B., who was a daughter of Joshua Walton, of Readfield, Me., became the mother of five children, of whom a son died in infancy, and three sons and one daughter lived to maturity.

Rosamus Lowell Mitchell was educated in the common schools and at Bloomfield Academy. He possessed a natural genius for mechanics, especially woodworking. After some time spent in a machine shop he was employed as the engineer of a tow-boat on Moosehead Lake. He was later employed in the carriage-making business and still later in a casket factory in Cambridge, Mass. In 1872 he located in Skowhegan, where he began the woodworking business upon a small scale; and in 1882 he bought his present building, thirty-six by eighty feet, which he has since been obliged to enlarge. He employs an average of twenty men the year round, and his goods—such as step-ladders, clothes-horses, and clothes-driers—find a ready market in Boston and Philadelphia. He has been connected with the fire department since he was twenty-five years of age. For one year he served as chief engineer, and for three years he was on the Board of Engineers. He has been Junior and Senior Warden of Somerset Lodge, No. 34, F. & A. M.; and is a member of Somerset Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. In politics he is a Republican. In

religious belief he is a Baptist, and he has been a Deacon and a teacher in the Sunday-school for a number of years.

Mr. Mitchell first married Helen, daughter of Seth Banks, of Bloomfield. She has since died, leaving three children, namely: Henry L., the superintendent of his father's factory; Walter V., who is employed in said factory; and Helen B., who married H. M. Weston, and resides in Skowhegan. Mr. Mitchell's second marriage was contracted with Martha W. Cass, a daughter of Enoch C. Cass, of Cornville, and who died in the fall of 1882.

FON. ANDREW JACKSON CHASE, a large land-owner in the town of Sebec, son of Colonel Daniel and Sarah N. (Gregory) Chase, was born in Atkinson, Me., January 6, 1829. His grandfather, Daniel Chase, who was born in Hallowell, Me., was one of the early settlers of Fairfield, this State. From Fairfield, Grandfather Chase moved to Sebec. He was a sturdy, industrious farmer. Having died at an advanced age, he was buried in Atkinson. In politics he was a Democrat. He was twice married.

Daniel Chase, Jr., was born in Fairfield. He was an enterprising and industrious farmer in Atkinson. In order to pay for his farm, which he had purchased of an Ohio man, when he obtained the necessary amount he rode all the way to the Buckeye State on horseback, there being no other method of getting the money there safely. On his return he sold his horse in Portland. He was successfully

engaged during his active life in general farming, also dealing in horses, cattle, and other live stock. In politics he was a staunch Democrat. He was in the House of Representatives and State Senate for one term each. At the time of the Aroostook War he raised a company, and was in active service until the trouble was ended. He died in Atkinson in 1854. His first wife, Sarah N. Gregory Chase, died in 1834. She bore him these children, namely: Josiah G., residing in Cambridgeport, Mass.; Charles, now deceased; Sarah J., residing in Dakota; Elizabeth and Mary, also deceased; Andrew J., the subject of this sketch; Thomas J., the twin brother of Andrew; Weltha T., in Holden, Me.; Ann M., in Somerville, Mass.; and Meltiah G., in Cleveland, Ohio. By the second marriage, which was contracted with Mehitable Wheeler, there were three children: Daniel W., who is in Michigan; and Adaline and Sarah, both deceased.

Andrew Jackson Chase was reared on the farm in Atkinson. He attended the schools of his native town and Corinth Academy, and studied for two years at Bangor. He intended to take a college course, and worked for the necessary funds, hiring out as a farm hand and teaching for about three terms; but he became infected with the gold fever, and, with his twin brother Thomas, started for California in 1851. They went by the Isthmus route, and were thirty-five days on the way. Thomas died of fever when he was one year in California. Andrew remained until 1853, meeting with success in his ventures. His father died in

1854; and he took charge of affairs at home, acting as administrator and settling the estate. He eventually purchased the homestead, and lived there until 1866. Then, disposing of his property, he moved to his present home in Sebec. The four or five hundred acres he had here at first have been since increased to about fifteen hundred acres. Two years after his settlement in Sebec the Bangor & Piscataquis Railroad was built and a station erected on his land. In 1869 he started in business as a merchant, his first lot of goods arriving on a flat car, the station serving him for a store-room, and the work-bench for a counter. Successful in this venture also, he in 1870 built a store, to which he has added from time to time. In Sebec village he has one of the best general stores in this section. He also has a general store in South Atkinson and a clothing store in Dover. In addition to his large mercantile business Mr. Chase is extensively engaged in farming, and has a steam mill at Sebec station, where he manufactures long and short lumber and spool stock. Mr. Chase's farm lies on the beautiful Piscataquis River. He has a pretty home at Sebec station. A genial and free-mannered man, he is very popular, and is commonly known as "Jack" Chase.

On February 28, 1856, he was married to Lois K. Lyford, who was born in Dover, Me., August 5, 1837. She died October 25, 1873, and Mr. Chase has remained true to her memory. Five children blessed the union, namely: Charles J., born May 7, 1858, who is associated in business with his father; An-

drew L., born November 26, 1859, a Congregational minister residing in Eliot, Me.; Minnie E., born April 3, 1862, who died February 11, 1864; William F., born November 13, 1866, who died April 24, 1885; and Agnes H., born August 5, 1868, the wife of Samuel M. Holoway, of Machias. Charles J. Chase became his father's partner in 1879, and since that time the different stores bear the name of A. J. Chase & Son. He married Miss Anna Hanson, and has six children. Andrew L. Chase, who is a Harvard graduate, married Miss Martha Durgin, and has no children. Agnes H. has two children. Mr. Chase, Sr., who is a Democrat, was Selectman of Sebec for three years and Town Treasurer for two years. He was in the State Senate in 1878. In 1896 and 1898 he was nominated for Congress in the Fourth Congressional District. A Mason in good standing, he is a member of both Mosaic Lodge, No. 52, and the R. A. Chapter at Foxcroft. He attends service at the Union Church, and contributes liberally to the support of the other churches.

WARREN RUSSELL, a prominent and well-to-do agriculturist of Madison township, who represents one of the oldest families in this section of Somerset County, was born July 13, 1827, on the homestead where he now resides, son of Jonathan Russell, Jr. His grandfather, Jonathan Russell, Sr., born in New Hampshire, February 8, 1765, married Betsey Nutting, who was

born in the same State, June 25, 1768. Coming to Somerset County at an early day, Grandfather Russell settled in Madison, taking up land now included in the present Russell homestead. The district was then in its primitive wildness, and the brave pioneers had to keep a constant watch for Indians and wild beasts. By persistent energy he cleared a good farm, on which he and his wife reared their family and spent the remainder of their years. His death occurred February 9, 1843, and hers July 17, 1842. The family comprised seven children, namely: Betsey, born September 20, 1790; Sallie, born January 31, 1792; Lucy, born November 22, 1794; Jonathan, Jr., born October 1, 1795; David, born October 5, 1797; Olive, born October 12, 1802; and Amy, born October 24, 1808.

Jonathan Russell, Jr., continued in the occupation to which he was reared, succeeding to the ownership of the homestead which he had assisted in improving, and remaining on it until his demise, November 14, 1844, at the comparatively early age of forty-nine years. He was twice married. His first wife, Betsey Bunker Russell, born in North Anson, Me., died on the home farm, February 23, 1840. Of this union four children were born—Warren, Ichabod B., Coney W., and Lucy P. Ichabod B., who died March 29, 1893, married Emeline Crilley, who is now living in Skowhegan; and Coney W., who died May 12, 1873, married Phœbe Blackwell, who makes her home with Mr. Warren Russell. Lucy P. was engaged in teaching until her death on March 28, 1859. The father

subsequently married Mrs. Deborah Blackwell Longley, who, born in Madison, January 20, 1809, died June 18, 1858. Her first husband, Francis Longley, a farmer by occupation, lived in Hartland, Me., where he was accidentally drowned in April, 1837. Of his marriage with Mrs. Longley there was but one child, Betsey K., who died in infancy.

Warren Russell grew to manhood on the old farm, helping in labor suited to his years and strength, and receiving a practical education in the district schools. The eldest child, being then seventeen years old, when his father died he assumed the responsibility of the household affairs, and in course of time became owner of the ancestral acres. He carries on general farming and dairying most successfully. Possessing good business ability and foresight, he has acquired a goodly property in this vicinity, consisting of three hundred acres of land; and he is recognized as one of the valuable men of the community. He is a Democrat by conviction, and has served as Selectman of Madison for six years, besides holding other town offices.

On November 11, 1849, Mr. Russell married Miss Judith B. Longley, who was born October 27, 1832, in Hartland, Somerset County, daughter of Francis and Deborah (Blackwell) Longley, of whom mention is made above. Mr. and Mrs. Russell have four children, the following being their record: Francis L., born May 4, 1852, died April 26, 1861; John, born May 26, 1857, was fatally injured by the kick of a horse, and died April 29, 1861; Coney, born April 27, 1862, now

engaged in mercantile pursuits in the village of Norridgewock, was married on December 24, 1887, to Miss Flora Pease, of Stark, and after her death, on September 17, 1892, to Miss Elizabeth Danforth; and Eva, born March 26, 1864, now residing in Skowhegan, Me., is the wife of Elmer E. Greenwood, a civil engineer, and has one daughter, Ruth, born June 20, 1898. A member of the Christian church, Mrs. Russell is quite active in the religious work of that denomination.

CAPTAIN JOHN W. GREEN, a prominent resident of Deer Isle, Hancock County, was born here, August 31, 1844, son of William S. and Elizabeth D. (Dow) Green. His grandfather, Asa Green, a native of Worcester, Mass., came to Deer Isle in 1775, accompanied by his wife, and settling here as a pioneer, passed the rest of his life upon the island. Asa Green was for a number of years engaged in trade. He served as Deputy Sheriff, and was a member of the delegation appointed to arrange for the separation of Maine from Massachusetts. He married a daughter of John Scott, who was also an early settler on the island.

William S. Green was born on Deer Isle. In his younger days he followed the sea as a master mariner. He owned several vessels, acted as Deputy Sheriff for some years, and was Representative to the legislature during three terms. He died at the age of sixty-four. His wife, Elizabeth, who was a daughter of Thomas Dow, of Deer Isle, became the mother

of seven children, two of whom are living — Thomas B. and John W. Thomas B., who resides on the island, married Cora Richardson; and his children are: Edith H., Gertie, Gardie, Cora L., Martin V. B., Nina, and Archie. The other children of William S. Green were: John, Mary, Sarah, Martin B., and Evelyn. John, who commanded one of his father's vessels, was lost at sea in 1849; Martin B. married Nellie Gross, and left five children — Julia H., Mary E., Hattie W., Grace, and Frederick G. Evelyn died young.

John W. Green, after completing his studies in the district school, followed the sea before the mast until becoming master of a vessel. He continued to brave the fierce storms of the Atlantic until forty years old without meeting with serious mishaps. Since then, having settled on shore, he has followed the blacksmith's trade.

Captain Green married Lydia Torrey, daughter of Francis H. and Hannah (Eaton) Torrey. Her mother was a descendant of the original settler of Deer Isle. Captain Green has had four children — Eugene Allen, Florence M. (who died in infancy), William S., and Francis L. Eugene A. Green, who is Deputy Collector of Customs on Deer Isle, married Kate Small, and has had two children: Emily L., who died at the age of two years; and Mearle E. William S. married Cora L. Haskell, of Deer Isle. He is a master mariner, and holds an unlimited steam license. Francis L. resides at home.

In politics a Democrat, Captain Green cast his first Presidential vote for Horatio Seymour

in 1868. Though not an aspirant for office, he is actively interested in public affairs. He is a member of Marine Lodge, F. & A. M.

JUDGE MARTIN L. DURGIN, Justice of the Municipal Court at Milo, was born in this town, March 26, 1852, son of Martin L. and Emalie (Cogswell) Durgin. Both parents were natives of New Hampshire. The father, who came from Coos County of that State about fifty years ago, lived in Exeter, Orneville, La Grange, and Sebec before he came to Milo. He was a blacksmith by trade, which he followed until 1868; and he was subsequently engaged in farming for a short time. During his later years he conducted an express business and carried the United States mail. A progressive, public-spirited man, he took an important part in the public affairs of the various towns in which he resided. His first Presidential vote was cast for William H. Harrison in 1840. Later he became a strong abolitionist, and during the Civil War enlisted several times, but was not accepted on account of physical disability. While in religious belief he was a Universalist, he had respect and sympathy for all other denominations, and his hospitable roof frequently provided rest and refreshment to ministers who temporarily visited the community in which he lived. His wife, Emalie, was of Scotch ancestry on her mother's side, and represented the Cogswell and McAllister families of New Hampshire. She became the mother of ten children, five of whom

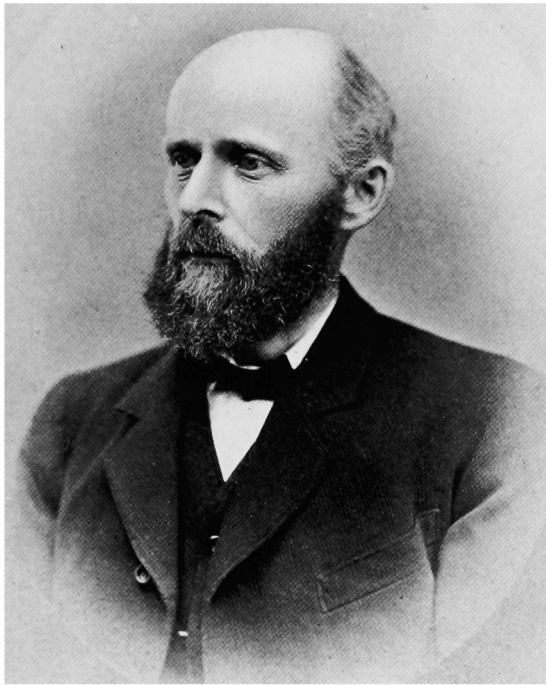
are living, namely: Cyrus C., a prosperous farmer of La Grange; Adelaide V., who married Robert H. Leonard, and resides in Silver City, Idaho; Ida L.; Martin L.; and C. H. Durgin, who is chief engineer at Morse & Co.'s mills in Bangor, Me. The others were: Cyrus C. (first), Sarah, John M., Mary, and Charles F. The father died in 1891, and the mother in 1885.

Martin L. Durgin, the subject of this biography, was educated in the public schools of La Grange, Sebec, and Milo. After completing his studies he went to Idaho, where he was for some time employed in a quartz-mill. Then he returned home and studied law with William P. Young, of Milo, and was admitted to the bar in 1878. His law practice is extensive and profitable. The high reputation he enjoys has been won by hard work and an untiring devotion to the cases intrusted to his charge. An indefatigable worker for the success of the Republican party, he has been the chairman of the Town and County Committees, a delegate to many conventions, and has often presented the names of successful candidates for public office. He has served with ability as Town Clerk, has been Moderator several years, and, appointed Justice of the Municipal Court by Governor Cleaves in 1893, he was re-appointed by Governor Powers in 1897. He is actively interested in educational matters, was instrumental in building the new school-house, and is at the present time serving as Supervisor. His ability, both as a lawyer and orator, are frequently used for the benefit of his party. He conceived and prepared the

bill passed by the legislature, by which all municipal judges are made justices of the peace *ex officio*.

Judge Durgin is a Past Master of Piscataquis Lodge, F. & A. M.; a member of Piscataquis Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and of Aldworth Chapter, O. E. S. He is also connected with Dirigo Lodge, No. 163, I. O. O. F.; with the Lodge of Rebeccas; with Mutual Lodge, No. 11, Ancient Order of United Workmen; with Constantia Lodge, No. 233, Independent Order of Good Templars; and with the fraternity of Foresters. He takes a lively interest in all social events, amusements, and musical affairs, and is a member of the quartette choir of the Baptist church. He married Rosella J. Sampson, daughter of Captain Sampson, who commanded Company D, Second Maine Regiment, during the Rebellion, and was a prominent resident of Milo in his day. Mrs. Durgin is the mother of one son, Frank W., who is now attending the high school.

JOHN MURRAY HILL, Auditor for the city of Calais, Washington County, was born in St. Stephen, N.B., November 7, 1837, son of John and Mary (Albee) Hill. The grandfather, Abner Hill, who was an early settler in Calais and a prominent lumberman in his day, owned large tracts of timber land. He was associated in business with his brother, Stephen Hill, and they were for some years the leading lumber operators upon the St. Croix River. His last days



JOHN M. HILL.

were passed in St. Stephen. The maiden name of his first wife, the grandmother of John M. Hill, was Whitney.

John Hill, born in Calais in 1804, commenced farming in St. Stephen at an early age. He later spent some years in Hopedale, town of Milford, Mass., and then returned to St. Stephen. In 1847 he went to Wisconsin. As the climate of the West did not agree with him, he finally returned East, and resumed farming in St. Stephen, continuing in that occupation until within three or four years of his death. The latter event occurred in 1882, at the home of his son in Calais. He attended the Universalist church. Mary Albee Hill, his wife, who was a native of Machias, became the mother of several children, two of whom grew up and married, namely: John M., the subject of this sketch; and Abbie Price, who became the wife of Edward Hanson, of St. Stephen, and is no longer living.

John Murray Hill began his education in the public schools of Milford. After returning with his parents to New Brunswick, he went upon a trading expedition to the Gulf of St. Lawrence, which consumed about six months' time. Later he completed his studies at the Calais Academy. Then, entering the employ of D. & H. N. Hill as a clerk, he remained with them in that capacity for twenty years. Since leaving their employ he has devoted his time to the real estate business and the care of his property. He is now a trustee of the Calais Savings Bank. In politics he supports the Republican party, which elected

him to the Common Council in 1876, and made him City Auditor in 1897.

Mr. Hill married Alma J. Gordon, daughter of John Gordon, of Windsor, Vt. Mrs. Hill has had three children, two of whom are living, namely: Nellie E., now the organist at the Baptist church; and Elizabeth L. Hill, a student at Radcliffe College, popularly called the Harvard Annex. Mr. Hill is a member of St. Croix Lodge, F. & A. M., and attends the Union church.

CAPTAIN EDWARD WALLACE SHACKFORD, a well-known ship-master of Harrington, Washington County, was born in Eastport, April 14, 1840, son of Captain William and Mary C. (Lincoln) Shackford. He is a descendant of William and Deborah Shackford, of Dover, N.H. The grandfather, Captain John Shackford, born in Newbury, Mass., in 1753, was the first settler in Eastport, locating there in 1783. He had previously served in the Revolutionary War. As the town advanced in importance, he became one of its prominent business men and the owner of several vessels. He died in Eastport, December 25, 1840, aged eighty-seven years. Shackford's Head, Shackford's Cove, and Shackford Street were so named to perpetuate his memory. The maiden name of his wife was Esther Woodwell.

Captain William Shackford, father of Captain Edward W., was born in Newburyport, Mass., November 23, 1783. He became a ship-master, following the sea until he was

about fifty years old, and commanding several stanch vessels engaged in the West India trade. During the last twenty years of his life he was in business at Eastport; and he died in 1870, aged eighty-seven. In politics he was successively a Whig and a Republican, and at one time he served as Inspector of Customs. He was a member of the Christian church. His first wife, in maidenhood Sarah Batson, bore him three children, all of whom died young. Mary C. Lincoln Shackford, his second wife, who was born in Eastport, May 15, 1814, became the mother of seven children, namely: John W., born January 30, 1839, who is now residing in New York City; Captain Edward W., the subject of this sketch; Mary L., born March 24, 1841, who married Andrew W. French, and lives in Philadelphia; Ebed L., born December 10, 1842, who is a wholesale leather merchant in St. Paul, Minn.; Sarah E., born April 27, 1844, who is single and resides in Chicago; Charles R., born July 30, 1847, who died December 16, 1850; and Charles J., born May 5, 1854, who was lost at sea in April, 1870. The mother died December 2, 1867.

Edward Wallace Shackford was educated in Eastport. After leaving school he worked for four years at the spar-maker's trade in Machiasport. About the year 1858 he shipped as ordinary seaman and carpenter on board the ship "Wild Rover," bound for San Francisco. Later, he became a master mariner, taking command in 1866 of the brig "Emily Fisher," of two hundred and one tons' burden. Also, for eight years he was master of the bark

"Ormus," and since 1889 he has commanded the schooner "Johanna Swan," built in Harrington by A. M. Nash. He has carried valuable cargoes to various parts of the world without disaster to ship or goods, showing his ability as a seaman and navigator, and proving that he held the interest of his owners as identical with his own.

On September 30, 1866, Captain Shackford married for his first wife Clara R. Gardner. She died February 22, 1873, leaving two children: Leslie G., born in Eastport, June 13, 1868; and Clara L., born January 21, 1873. On June 4, 1876, he married for his second wife Adeline Tobey, who was born at Machiasport, October 1, 1840. Her parents, Charles and Lydia Tobey, died respectively on May 11, 1875, and February 5, 1898. Captain Shackford has resided in Harrington since 1881, and occupies a pleasantly situated residence. Politically, he is a Republican. In Masonry he has advanced to the Royal Arch degree, and belongs to Eastern Lodge and Eastern Chapter of Eastport. Mrs. Shackford is a member of the Baptist church.

CHARLES H. ALLEN, a well-known farmer of Mercer and the owner of a saw and grist mill in this locality, was born March 5, 1838, in Bloomfield, now Skowhegan. A son of Harper Allen, he is a descendant of a pioneer family of this section of Maine. His grandparents, Ebenezer and Hannah (Bowman) Allen, removed from Massachusetts to Somerset County at an early

period of its settlement; and, taking up a tract of wild land in the town of Fairfield, cleared and improved a farm, on which they spent the remainder of their lives.

Harper Allen was born, reared, and educated in Fairfield. While a young man he became interested in agricultural pursuits, and chose farming as the most independent method of obtaining a livelihood. After his marriage he bought land in Skowhegan, and was there engaged in his chosen occupation until his demise in June, 1867. He married Jane Lander, who was born and spent the first eleven years of her life in Lewiston, Me. From there she went with her father, the late Robinson Lander, to Skowhegan, which was afterward the home of her parents as long as they lived. She survived her husband, dying in 1881. They had eight children, as follows: Henry, who died in childhood; Obed, who died young; Joseph, who lived but twenty years; Freeman, who went to Australia when nineteen years old, and died soon after his arrival there; Francis, who also went to Australia when young, is married and prosperously engaged in raising sheep; Charles H., the subject of this sketch; Philander, who died in infancy; and Rachel Jane, who lives in the village of Skowhegan.

Charles H. Allen received a good common-school education. In his early life he taught school for several terms in Somerset County. He has always been interested in educational matters, doing whatever he can to advance the cause and watching with pleasure the progress made in the methods of imparting in-

struction to the young. Among interesting relics preserved by him are some of the old school books used ninety years ago by his father-in-law, Josiah Hinkley, a well-educated man for his time. After the death of his father Mr. Allen assumed the management of the parental homestead. He bought another farm in Skowhegan, not far from the place of his birth, and was there engaged in farming until May 1, 1867. Coming then to Mercer, he settled on his present farm, known as the old Hinkley homestead, and on which Mrs. Allen was born and reared. He has now three hundred and thirty acres of highly improved land in this estate, and also owns one hundred acres in Rome township, Kennebec County. Some years ago Mr. Allen bought a saw-mill and a grist-mill in the village of Mercer; and he operated both until recently, when he relegated their management to his sons, who are in a great measure relieving him from the cares and responsibility of active work.

On September 29, 1864, Mr. Allen married Ellen Sabra Hinkley, who was born February 15, 1842, on the present homestead, daughter of Josiah and Abigail (Bosworth) Hinkley, both lifelong residents of Mercer. Mrs. Allen, who was a most estimable woman and an active member of the Mercer Baptist Church, died March 14, 1893, leaving four children, of whom the following is the record: Charles Kelsey, born August 28, 1865, has charge of the saw-mill in Mercer village, where he married Miss Carrie Le Baron; Ellen F., born March 26, 1868, is the wife of

W. L. Walker, a miller and farmer in Starks township; Calvin H., born July 4, 1873, is now in Boston in a wholesale leather store; and Carrie Sabra, born February 23, 1880, is attending school in Skowhegan. Mr. Allen is an uncompromising Republican in his politics, and has served his fellow-townsmen in many capacities. For fourteen years he was a member of the Board of Selectmen, being the chairman of that body for twelve consecutive years. He has also been Township Clerk, and he represented his district in the State legislature at Augusta for one term. In the legislature he spoke very effectively on some of the more important questions brought up that session.

JOHAN RUGGLES SOPER, a prosperous farmer and lumberman of Orland, Hancock County, was born in this town, December 28, 1822. His father, for whom he was named, was also a native of Orland. The grandfather, Justus Soper, who was born in Massachusetts, came to this locality as a pioneer, settling upon a tract of wild land in the neighborhood of "The Falls." He occupied a log house until circumstances enabled him to build a frame dwelling. This latter was subsequently destroyed by fire, and the family forced once more to inhabit their primitive abode. Of industrious habits, he cleared a good farm from the wilderness, on which he resided for many years. He lived to be over eighty years old. He was among the minute-men organized for service in the

War of 1812. The maiden name of his wife was Elizabeth Viles.

John R. Soper, father of the subject of this sketch, resided at home for some six years after his marriage. He then settled upon unimproved land, from which he cleared the farm now owned by his son. He kept considerable stock. The house which he built, and wherein he died at the age of seventy-six years, is still standing. He married Margaret Steele; and they reared three children — Elisha D., Margaret A., and John R. Elisha D., who is a farmer and carpenter of this town, married Maria Blaisdell. He has two children — Frank De Forest and Frances.

John Ruggles Soper began his education in the district schools, and subsequently attended Bucksport Academy. In his youth he assisted in carrying on the home farm. Later he engaged in the lumber business, which he has since conducted in connection with agriculture. After the death of his father he succeeded to the ownership of the homestead by purchasing the interests of the other heirs. His farm is under good cultivation, and he owns considerable wild land, which is well covered with timber.

Mr. Soper married Sophia Eaton, of Deer Isle. He has had three children, one of whom died in infancy. The survivors are: Annie, who is the wife of Eugene Gross, of Orland; and Dennis R., who married Emma Pickering, and has one child, Reynold E. Dennis R. resides on the homestead. Mrs. Soper, the mother, died January 1, 1891, aged fifty-one years.

Mr. Soper cast his first Presidential vote for James K. Polk in 1844, and is now independent in politics. He takes a lively interest in all matters relative to the progress of the town, and is a member of the local grange, Patrons of Husbandry.

GEORGE W. HOWE, of Milo, Judge of Probate for Piscataquis County, an ex-member of the legislature, and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in St. Albans, Me., April 24, 1844, son of Jonathan and Jane (Hubbard) Howe. The father, who was a native of Greene, Me., left that town when about eighteen years old, and resided for a time in Canaan. From Canaan he moved to St. Albans, where he lived until 1855. Then, removing to Penobscot County, he resided in Bradford, Hudson, Corinth, and Charleston; and his last days were spent upon a farm in Orneville. He died in 1878. In early life he was a Jacksonian Democrat. Later he joined the Republican party. His religious belief was that of the Free Will Baptists. His first wife, Jane Hubbard Howe, who was a native of Canaan, died about the year 1852. His second marriage was contracted with Mrs. Strout Dumphy. The children of his first union were: Mary, Eliza, Caroline, George W., and Roxana. Mary is now the wife of Daniel Keaton. Eliza married Henry Mason, who died in 1897. Caroline, residing in Oshkosh, Wis., is the widow of Charles Kimball, who was drowned in Lake Superior. She was educated at the Hamp-

den (Me.) Academy, and after the death of her husband taught school in Oshkosh. Roxana is no longer living. Jonathan Howe's second wife had four children; namely, Samuel T., Charles A., Ella F., and Mahala. Mahala is now deceased.

George W. Howe was eight years old when his mother died. For the succeeding two years he lived with George Hubbard, a farmer in Canaan. Then he went to Penobscot County to reside with his father, and his education was completed at the East Corinth Academy. Subsequently entering the office of Jacob Lovejoy in East Corinth, he pursued his law studies in connection with teaching school until 1862. In that year he enlisted as a private in the Twenty-second Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, with which he served for nearly a year in the Civil War. The regiment was attached to the Department of the Gulf, serving on the Lower Mississippi and in the Red River expedition under General Banks, and taking part in the battle of Irish Bend and several other engagements. For a time Mr. Howe did clerical work in the hospital department. After he was mustered out in Bangor in August, 1863, he tried to re-enlist, but was not accepted on account of physical disability. Receiving an offer to enter mercantile business in Hudson some time after, he accepted, and for several years was associated with Henry Briggs, both as clerk and partner. While residing there he taught school, served as Trial Justice and Justice of the Peace, and resumed his law studies by the aid of books borrowed from

Lawyer Wentworth, of Bradford. He completed his legal preparations in the office of Davis & Bailey, Bangor, and was duly admitted to the Piscataquis County bar at Dover. He continued school teaching for a short time after opening an office in Milo in 1883. Eventually he gave it up in order to devote his entire attention to his practice. Politically, Mr. Howe is a Republican. Although Hudson is strongly Democratic, he was elected a Selectman, and served as Supervisor, Moderator, and Town Clerk while residing there. In Milo he has filled the offices of Supervisor and First Selectman; and as a member of the legislature in 1895 he was assigned to the Committees on Legal Affairs and Education. He was appointed by Governor Cleaves to complete the unexpired term of the late Judge Hale as Judge of Probate, and has performed the duties of that office in a most capable manner. As a lawyer he is widely and favorably known throughout Piscataquis County, and has a large practice in the Supreme Judicial Courts of Dover and Bangor. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and of the Masonic fraternity; and he has been Commander of Post J. S. Sampson, G. A. R.

Mr. Howe married for his first wife Susan V. Tozier, a daughter of Joseph Tozier, of Hudson, and who died in 1887. His second wife was before marriage Mary E. Clement, daughter of George M. Clement, of Corinth, Me. She was educated at the East Corinth Academy, and became a successful teacher. Born of this union was one son, George.

Mrs. Howe died September 17, 1896. Mr. Howe is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, as was his first wife.

THOMAS S. DICKISON, M.D., a young physician of Houlton, Aroostook County, who gives fair promise of becoming one of the foremost practitioners of the county, was born March 10, 1868, in Carleton, N.B., being one of the eleven children born to Adam and Janet (Gibson) Dickison. He was reared on a farm, and received his elementary education in the district schools of his native town. There he showed such a strong inclination for books that his parents encouraged him to continue his studies by sending him to the Woodstock Grammar School. From that institution he was subsequently graduated at the head of a class of thirty-five pupils, taking the first prize, a scholarship worth sixty dollars a year to him while at the New Brunswick University, which he soon afterward entered. A younger brother, Adam S. Dickison, won the same prize in that school two years later, and, having since become a proficient civil engineer, is now stationed at Westbrook, Me. Thomas S. Dickison again distinguished himself by capturing another scholarship while at the university, in which he took a three years' course. At the same time during the long summer vacations he studied medicine with Dr. Cobb, a physician of repute in Portland, Me. In 1893 he was graduated, *magna cum laude*, from Bellevue Medical College, New

York, among the first four in his class. Then, ambitious to take advantage of every opportunity for improving his knowledge, the Doctor spent three months at the New York Midwife Dispensary, where he made a special study of obstetrics and children's diseases. Thus thoroughly equipped, he located in Houlton. During the comparatively short time that he has been here he has won a large and lucrative practice, and gained the confidence and good will of all with whom he has been brought in contact.

Fraternally, the Doctor is an Odd Fellow; and in 1893 he was made a member of the I. O. F., in the local lodge of which he is Past Physician. At the present time he is High Physician for the Foresters of the State of Maine, a responsible position, to which he was elected at the last State convention in Portland, defeating his predecessor in the office, Dr. L. A. Merritt, of Pittsfield, Me. He is a member of the Y. M. C. A., of Fredericton, N.B., and was an active worker in that organization while living in that city. On October 22, 1895, Dr. Dickison married Almatia, daughter of Charles Nelson, of Houlton. They have one child, Horace Earl.

ALEXANDER P. PORTER, a lifelong resident of Strong, Franklin County, Me., and one of the substantial business men of this place, was born March 6, 1825, and died at his late home here, January 28, 1876.

His parents, Ezekiel and Eunice (Hitchcock) Porter, spent their entire lives in Strong, his mother's death occurring here in 1848, and his father's in 1867. The latter was a leading merchant of the town, and also operated a saw and grist mill. He had nine children, three of whom died in infancy. Six grew to years of maturity, as follows: Thurza C., who is the widow of the late Lemuel Crosby, a merchant, and lives in Phillips, Me.; Jeremy, who is retired from active pursuits, and resides in Strong village; Eunice, widow of the late Dr. Edmund Russell, of Lewiston, Me., who now lives with her son in Farmington; Alexander P., whose name begins this sketch; Elias H., proprietor of a hotel at Strong; and Sarah, who was the wife of Albert Daggett, and died in 1886.

Alexander P. Porter was bred and educated in his native town. On attaining his majority he entered into business relations with his father, which continued until the death of the latter in 1867. From that time until the close of his earthly career he had charge of the mills at Strong, including the grist and saw mills. A man of much force of character, possessing good financial and executive ability, he prospered in all of his undertakings. He was held in high esteem by his fellow-men, and had the respect of the community in which he spent his life, being popular and well liked by both old and young. He invariably cast his vote in favor of the Republican party, but never held public office, his business demanding his entire time and attention.

On April 29, 1866, Mr. Porter married Miss Emily S. Gould, who was born in New Portland, Somerset County, February 15, 1838, a daughter of Samuel and Mary (Spooner) Gould, of that town. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Porter are three in number, namely: Mary E., born May 25, 1867; Gould Alexander, born May 10, 1869; and Nellie Emery, born May 31, 1873. In July, 1895, Mrs. Porter disposed of her interests in Strong, and removed with her family to the village of North Anson, where she purchased property at the corner of Madison and Summer Streets, that is now her home.

ALONZO J. LONG, the proprietor of a large general store in Blue Hill, Hancock County, was born in this town, June 23, 1849, son of James R. and Lavinia (Howard) Long. The grandfather, Joel Long, who was born in Castine, Me., in July, 1782, learned the trade of a comb-maker in Boston, and in 1810 came to East Blue Hill, being the first permanent settler in this place. He first tended a saw-mill. Later he cleared a good farm, and, purchasing the mill in which he had previously worked, became quite successful. His death occurred in 1871. He married Eliza Rogers, of Boston.

James R. Long, Alonzo J. Long's father, a native of Blue Hill, in his younger days was a millman. He visited California during the gold fever, worked for a time in the mines and at the carpenter's trade, and then returned to Blue Hill. During the Civil War he en-

listed in the Second Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, and took part in the battles of Malvern Hill and Hanover Court-house and the siege of Yorktown. Since leaving the army he has resided in a house that he erected when a young man. He married Lavinia, a daughter of Samuel Howard, of Searsmont, Me., and with her reared eight children; namely, Mary E., Laura E., Lillian A., Minnie A., Miles H., Alonzo J., Solon A., and Edgar C. Long. Mary E. married Harland P. Stover, and died leaving three children — Henry H., Eugene H., and Walter E. Laura E. married Edward H. Sheafe, who is in business in the West. Lillian A. married Joseph Johnson, of Blue Hill, and has one daughter, Minnie A. Johnson. Minnie A. Long married Harry W. Binder, formerly of Philadelphia, and now of Council Bluffs, Ia., and has two children — Frank and Venia. Miles H., who resides in Blue Hill, married Cora Wood, and has three children — Archie, Ethelyn M., and Homer. Solon A., residing at East Blue Hill, married Carrie Blodgett, and has four children — Ralph, Jessie, Margie, and Harland P. Edgar C. married Fanny Grindle, and has two children — Aubrey and Roscoe Long.

Alonzo J. Long acquired a limited education in the district schools. At the age of twenty-one he began to learn the stone-cutter's trade, which he followed for fourteen years. In 1883 he took a contract to furnish General Tilson with stone balustrades for government buildings then in process of erection at Washington, D.C., a venture that proved re-

munerative. Next year he started in the manufacture of lumber, purchasing and improving a saw and grist mill, and also engaged in a general mercantile business, which he has since carried on with success.

Mr. Long married Hannah A. Carter, a daughter of Calvin Carter, and now has two sons—Oscar L. and Earl F. Long. Oscar L., a graduate of Baltimore (Md.) Medical College, is now a practising physician in Harrington; while Earl F. is attending school. In politics Mr. Long is a Republican. His first Presidential vote was given to U. S. Grant in 1872. He has served with credit as Town Treasurer for four years. The ability he displays in handling a large and increasing business promises well for the future prosperity of the town, and he deservedly ranks as one of the most progressive men in the county. His fraternal affiliations are confined to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In religious belief he is a Calvinist Baptist, being one of the principal supporters and the senior Deacon of the First Baptist Church.

DAVID R. STRAW, of Guilford, the secretary of the Piscataquis Woollen Company and a son of David R. and Caroline A. (Ayer) Straw, was born in this town, May 16, 1836. Both the grandfather, Gideon Straw, a farmer and one of the early settlers of Newfield, York County, and his wife, Mary, died in Newfield at an advanced age. They reared two sons and five daughters. David R. Straw, Sr., the eldest

son, was born in Newfield, November 7, 1795. Largely self-educated, he graduated from Brown University, and in 1830 began to practise law in Sangerville, this county. About 1833 he moved to Guilford, and was in active practice here for many years. A capable lawyer, he was also a successful business man. He was a Democrat in politics, but took no active part in public life, refusing offices of trust proffered him. On religious subjects his views were liberal. He died in Guilford, August 31, 1876. His wife, who was born in Norway, Oxford County, August 12, 1813, is living with her son, the subject of this biography. She had thirteen children, of whom Martha K., Daniel, Ellen M., Frederick H., Nahum O'Neil Straw, and two infants are deceased. The rest are: Agnes M., the wife of Eliphalet W. Bennett, of Guilford; William O., residing in Ubet, Mont.; Gideon M., residing in Guilford; Caroline A., the wife of George E. Clark, of Algona, Ia.; and Henry, residing in Garner, Ia.

Having studied at Foxcroft (Me.) Academy, Gilmanton (N.H.) Academy, and Phillips Academy at Andover, Mass., the present David R. Straw graduated from Bowdoin College in 1859. After this he read law with his father, and was admitted to the Piscataquis County bar in 1862. He was subsequently associated in practice with his father until the death of the latter. At present, while not in active practice, he does some professional work. He was largely instrumental in making the Piscataquis Woollen Mills what they are to-day, and was one of the incorporators

of the concern. This enterprise was started in 1882, with thirty-five hands; and in 1892 the plant was enlarged. The mills now give employment to one hundred and twenty-five hands. Mr. Straw is also actively engaged in the insurance business with Otis Martin as partner.

On June 16, 1873, Mr. Straw was married to Ellen L., daughter of Abner Downing. She was born in Norway, Me., November 23, 1845. Mr. and Mrs. Straw have had the following children: Alice B., born March 9, 1877, who died February 20, 1884; Grace M., born September 25, 1880; and Harold D., born April 7, 1882. They also have an adopted child, Doris W., who was born August 12, 1893. Mr. Straw has been Town Clerk and Treasurer for a number of years, and he served on the Board of Selectmen one year. He is a member of Mount Kineo Lodge, F. & A. M., of Guilford; of Good Cheer Lodge, I. O. O. F., of the same place; and of the fraternity of Knights Templar. The family residence, one of the handsomest in the locality, was built under his own supervision. It stands on elevated ground, and commands a beautiful view. Both Mr. and Mrs. Straw are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

CHARLES A. ROLFE, one of the best known business men of Princeton, Washington County, and an ex-member of the legislature, was born in this town, December 25, 1842, son of Putnam and

Rosanna (Hilton) Rolfe. Ebenezer Rolfe, the grandfather, who was a native of Massachusetts, came to this section when a young man, and engaged in lumbering and farming. He was one of the original settlers in Princeton, where he resided for the rest of his life, and died when he was eighty years old. His wife, whose maiden name was Nancy Humphrey, died at seventy-six.

Putnam Rolfe, a native of New Brunswick, in early life carried on farming. He later entered the lumbering business, building the first saw-mill in Princeton; and he also established the first general store. One of the leading men here in his day, he served in the more important town offices, and was State Senator for two years. In politics he acted with the Republican party from the time of its formation until his death, which occurred July 4, 1878. He was a member of the Congregational church. Rosanna, his wife, who was a native of North Bridgton, Me., became the mother of five children. Of these, two are living: Charles A., the subject of this sketch; and Fred P. Rolfe, who is a surveyor, and resides at Chippewa Falls, Wis. The others were: Annie M., Alice E., and Mary E. The mother died in July, 1872.

Charles A. Rolfe completed his education at the Calais Academy. In August, 1862, he enlisted as a private in Company B, Eleventh Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry. He participated in the siege of Charleston, the battles of Bermuda Hundred and Deep Bottom, and witnessed the surrender of General Lee at Appomattox Court-house.

After he was mustered out with his regiment in 1865, he returned home and engaged in business with his father. When the latter died, he became the sole proprietor of both store and lumber-mill. Retiring from the lumber business in 1884, he has since devoted his time exclusively to the store. His stock includes the staple goods needed by an agricultural and lumbering community; and, as he does not allow it to deteriorate, he retains the confidence and patronage of the public.

In politics Mr. Rolfe is a Republican, and he has been more or less active in local and State affairs. He has served as First Selectman and Town Treasurer for a number of years, was a member of the legislature for four terms, and is agent for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, which numbers four hundred and seventy-five souls. In February, 1865, he married Emma F. Pike, of Waterford, Vt., a daughter of Nathan and Julia Pike, neither of whom is living. Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe have one daughter, Annie M. Mr. Rolfe is connected with Lodge No. 138, F & A. M., of Princeton; with St. Croix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; with St. Croix Council, R. & S. M.; and with Hugh de Payens Commandery, of Calais, Me.

LESLIE W. MCINTIRE, of Solon, Somerset County, druggist, Postmaster, and express agent, was born in Bingham, Me., January 21, 1856, son of Obed and Rose A. (Robinson) McIntire. His parents were natives of Bingham, this county,

where the father was engaged in farming for a number of years. Moving subsequently to Athens, Me., Obed McIntire carried on a general store there for twelve years. From Athens he removed to Lewiston, in which city he spent his last days. He was a much respected citizen of Somerset County in his day, and served with ability in various town offices. His widow now resides in Auburn. She has been the mother of four children, namely: Leslie W., the subject of this sketch; Mabel, who died in 1894, and who was the wife of Frank L. Hight, now a resident of North Cornville, Me.; Laura, who resides with her mother in Auburn; and Amo McIntire, of that city.

Leslie W. McIntire completed his education in Skowhegan, where also he learned the druggist's business with W. H. Fuller. In 1872 he engaged in trade with his father in Athens, making a specialty of drugs and chemicals. He continued with his father for several years, and in 1881 established himself in Solon. He has occupied his present store since 1887. Besides a full line of drugs, chemicals, and medicines, he carries paints, oils, varnishes, and similar materials, and is conducting a profitable business. He has acted as express agent since coming to Solon, and was appointed Postmaster in 1897.

Mr. McIntire married Maud Parkman, of Solon, daughter of Absalom and Hannah Parkman. Her father, who was a hardware dealer, died in 1885. His widow is now residing here. Mrs. McIntire is the mother of three children: Guinevere, born May 7, 1888;

Edward L., born September 4, 1890; and Clare, born July 3, 1895.

Politically, Mr. McIntire is a Republican. He has advanced in Masonry as far as the Commandery, and is also connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Ancient Order of United Workmen. He is one of the stirring and successful business men of Solon, and his personal qualities make him very popular in this community.

MAJOR CHARLES H. B. WOODBURY, Town Treasurer of Dover and one of the best known merchants in Piscataquis County, was born in Durham, Me., May 15, 1823, son of James and Rebecca (Sydeman) Woodbury. The paternal grandfather, Ebenezer Woodbury, who was born in New Salem, N.H., in 1760, served under General Gates in the Revolutionary War, and was present at the surrender of General Burgoyne. He was one of the early settlers of Durham, where he cleared new land and passed the rest of his life industriously engaged in farming, attaining the age of seventy-five years. His wife, Betsey, who was born in 1755, died in 1828. They were the parents of several children, including two sons, of whom James was the youngest.

James Woodbury was born in Durham, June 8, 1793. He began life as a farmer in his native town, where he tilled the soil for a number of years. Moving to Dover about the year 1825, he continued in that useful calling for the rest of his active period. He was

drafted into the United States army, and saw active service in the War of 1812. In politics he was in his later years a Republican. In religious belief he was a Free Will Baptist. He died in September, 1872, in his eightieth year. Rebecca, his wife, who was born in Durham in 1795, became the mother of eight children, three of whom are living, namely: George S., a prosperous farmer of Dover; James, a retired merchant of Bangor; and Charles H. B., the subject of this sketch, who is the youngest. The others were: John S., Eben, Edward E., Mrs. Eliza Fernald, and Mrs. Rebecca Wyman. Mrs. Rebecca Woodbury died June 8, 1867, aged seventy-two years.

Charles H. B. Woodbury was taken by his parents to Dover in his infancy, and his education was there acquired in the district schools. When sixteen years old he secured employment as clerk in a general store kept by George W. Sawyer, for whom he worked four years. At the end of that time he became a partner, and was associated with Mr. Sawyer until 1861. In 1864 he purchased his present place of business, which was built in 1828, and is one of the oldest mercantile stands in town. He has since carried on a thriving trade in groceries, making a high reputation among his fellow-townsmen and the wholesale merchants of Bangor, Portland, and Boston. In public affairs Major Woodbury is conspicuous for his long-continued service, having, with the exception of three years, been Town Treasurer of Dover since 1846. He was first appointed Postmaster by

President Zachary Taylor in 1849, holding the office for four years. Again appointed by President Lincoln in 1861, he retained the position until 1885. He was elected Representative to the legislature in 1862, and he has ably filled several other elective offices. He was but twenty years old when he was commissioned Major in the State militia.

Major Woodbury contracted the first of his two marriages on February 1, 1849, with Elizabeth Tower, of Foxcroft. She died in 1852, leaving no children. On September 15, 1854, he married her sister, Lucinda B. Tower, who was born in Peacham, Vt., June 29, 1829. She is the mother of one son, William C., born in Dover, December 15, 1857, who is now the treasurer of the Piscataquis Savings Bank. William C. Woodbury married Martha Fogler, of Rockland, Me., and has one daughter, Pauline. Politically, Major Woodbury is a Republican. Both he and Mrs. Woodbury attend the Congregational church.

CHARLES C. MORRISON, M.D., a prominent and popular physician of Bar Harbor, Hancock County, son of John T. and Lucy (Carr) Morrison, was born July 12, 1856, at Mariaville, Me. The paternal grandfather, Joseph Morrison, about a century ago removed from Canaan, Somerset County, to Ellsworth. In 1810 he took up a tract of unbroken land in Mariaville, and with the endurance and perseverance characteristic of the early pioneers reclaimed a farm from the wilderness, and there spent the

remainder of his long life of eighty-one years. The Doctor's maternal grandfather, Joseph Carr, was likewise one of the pioneers of Mariaville, to which he removed from York County in 1810 or soon after. He, too, lived to a ripe old age, and at his death left a large family of children.

Charles C. Morrison won distinction as a scholar while a pupil in the district school, which he attended during the fall terms only, his services being needed on the home farm in seed-time and harvest and in the lumber woods during the winter. In his early youth he became intimately acquainted with every branch of agricultural industry. At the lumber camps he was intrusted with the supervision of driving the logs down the river, having charge of the men and horses employed. Desirous, however, of further research in the world of knowledge, he earned sufficient money by teaching to pay his way through the Maine Central Institute at Pittsfield. At the age of twenty-four he began to read medicine with Dr. Haines, of Ellsworth. A short time later he entered the Hahnemann Medical College in Philadelphia, from which he was graduated with honors, March 13, 1883. A few weeks later, on May 2, he located at Bar Harbor, where he introduced the practice of homœopathy. Successful from the first, his services were soon sought by the leading families on the island; and through the influence of Dr. William Todd Helmuth, a celebrated homœopathist of New York, he secured a large proportion of the patronage of the summer residents.

In 1886 and 1887, when the real estate values in Bar Harbor became inflated, the Doctor, tempted by a few profitable transactions, made heavy purchases of land, giving notes and mortgages as securities. To his surprise and sorrow the land boom broke in 1888, and left him worth less than nothing by ten thousand dollars. With true New England pluck, however, he determined that no person should lose through his folly. To this end he thereafter worked every day in the year, denying himself vacations and recreations of all kinds, and in a comparatively few years he had paid every cent of his indebtedness. In that period he also disposed of some of his property to good advantage, so that he can now pursue the even tenor of his way without embarrassment, assured of a good income independent of his profession.

The Doctor is a staunch Republican in politics. When but twenty-one years old he was chosen Selectman and Supervisor of Schools in Mariaville, positions to which he was re-elected each year that he remained there. Prominent in the Masonic fraternity, he is a Royal Arch Mason of Mount Kebo Chapter, and a Knight Templar of St. John's Commandery in Bangor. He is also an Odd Fellow, a Knight of Pythias, a member of the Patriotic Sons of America and of the Independent Order of Foresters. Outside the secret organizations he belongs to the Village Improvement Association of Bar Harbor and the Maine Homœopathic Society. On October 20, 1890, he married Miss Ida Connors, of Bar Harbor, in the presence of six hundred

of their friends at the St. Sauveur Hotel. The Doctor and Mrs. Morrison have three children; namely, Charles C. Morrison, Jr., Mildred C., and John Moulton. They but recently returned from an extended trip through Europe, and are now pleasantly anticipating a visit to Egypt and the Holy Land in the near future.

CHARLES H. GIRDLER, an energetic and progressive agriculturist of Mercer township, Somerset County, and the efficient chairman of its Board of Selectmen, was born December 4, 1846, in Waterville, Me., son of the late John S. Girdler. The father, who was born in Manchester, Mass. spent the early years of his life in that town, and there learned the hatter's trade. In 1840 he settled on a farm in Waterville, Me., where he carried on farming and worked at his trade for some years. On December 16, 1863, he became a resident of Mercer, moving at that time to the farm now owned and occupied by his son, Charles H. Here he was engaged in tilling the soil and improving the property until his demise, December 1, 1887. His wife, born in Berwick, Me., whose maiden name was Phebe C. Page, is still an active woman though seventy-eight years old, and resides on the homestead in Mercer with her son. Her children were: Abbie E., Charles H., and James I. Abbie E., born May 23, 1843, is the widow of the late Francis B. Mosher, and lives in Oakland, Me.; and James I., born June 15, 1851, who died April 14, 1893, married Miss Abbie N.



CHARLES H. GIRDLER.

Morrill, of Belgrade, Me., whose death occurred on December 7, 1894.

Charles H. Girdler attended the district schools in his youth, assisting his father in the labors incidental to farm life in the long vacations. When twenty years old he began working for a clothing manufacturer in the village of Mercer, remaining with him three years. Upon his marriage, at the solicitation of his father, he took charge of the home farm, where he has since resided. He has one hundred and twelve acres of land, well improved, and is carrying on general agriculture and dairying with success. For the past eleven years he has served the town as Selectman, being for ten years of the time the chairman of the board. He was also Tax Collector for four years, and the librarian of the Mercer Public Library for seven years. While a staunch supporter of the Republican party, he takes much interest in politics. September 12, 1898, he was elected a Representative to the Sixty-ninth Legislature of Maine. An esteemed Odd Fellow, he belongs to Quinnebassett Lodge, No. 109, of Norridgewock. He is one of the leading Masons of this locality, being a member of Lebanon Lodge, No. 116, of Norridgewock; of Somerset Chapter, R. A. M., of Skowhegan; of Somerset Council and of De Molay Commandery, K. T., of Skowhegan.

On October 5, 1870, Mr. Girdler married Miss Fannie S. Hoyt, who was born in Vienna, Me., August 28, 1848. Her father, Noah Hoyt, who was a native of North Vienna, when a young man began farming in

the town of Vienna, and resided there until his death, in 1879. He married Sophia Hoyt, of Rochester, N.H., who died in 1880. They had a family of eight children; namely, Esther, George, Paulina, Noah, Upham, Fannie S., John, and Mary. The two last named are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Girdler have one child, Bertha M., now a compositor in the office of the *Lewiston Journal* and the wife of Dana F. Aubin, who is a motorman on the electric railway in Lewiston. Both parents are members of the Baptist Church of Norridgewock, and are active in denominational work.

FRANKLIN DOW JENKINS, an enterprising clothing merchant of Pittsfield, was born in Vassalboro, Me., December 30, 1831, son of Moses and Sarah (Frye) Jenkins. His great-grandparents were Jabez and Elizabeth (Dennett) Jenkins, residents of Kittery, Me. Jabez Jenkins, second, the grandfather, who resided in North Yarmouth, Me., and on March 24, 1784, married Elizabeth Varney, of Dover, N.H., had a family of six children, namely: Deliverance, born September 14, 1785; Stephen, born July 6, 1788; William and Moses, whose birth dates have not been preserved; Jabez, born June 16, 1799, who died in 1892; and Isaac Jenkins, born March 24, 1802, who died in Vassalboro in 1885. Deliverance married George Parker, and resided in Vassalboro. She had two children — George H. and Emily. George H. left home when young. Emily

married Henry Dudley, and had four sons — George E., Henry W., Howard, and Elwood Dudley. Mr. and Mrs. Dudley moved to Cañon City, Col., in 1876. Stephen Jenkins settled in China, Me., and reared a family. William Jenkins, who acquired considerable reputation for physical strength, died in the British Provinces. Jabez Jenkins, third, died in 1892, and Isaac died in Vassalboro in 1895.

Moses Jenkins, who was born in North Yarmouth, having resided in Vassalboro for some time previously, removed in 1840 to Detroit, Me. He was at different times engaged in farming, brick-making, and shoemaking; and he died in 1854. His wife, Sarah, was a native of Vassalboro. Their children were: William Henry, Mary A., Sarah M., Moses Carey, Franklin D., and Ebenezer Frye. William Henry Jenkins, who married Elizabeth Small, was a tanner and shoemaker in Detroit, Me., where he died in 1862 or 1863. Mary A. Jenkins married for her first husband Gorham H. Moores, a native of Vassalboro and a miner, who died in California. She then married C. F. Anderson, a machinist, and now resides upon a farm in Salem, Ore. By her first husband she has one daughter, Flora, who married a Mr. Hall, a hardware merchant in Oakland, Cal. Her son Fred was born of the second marriage. Moses Carey Jenkins died in 1894, and Ebenezer Jenkins died young. The death of Mrs. Sarah Jenkins occurred in 1846.

Franklin Dow Jenkins was educated in the common schools and the Westbrook Seminary. At the age of seventeen he became a clerk in

Detroit. Later in the same capacity he was employed in Plymouth, Me., for some time, and for several years in Bangor. After coming to Pittsfield in 1858, he was associated with W. K. Lancey in conducting a variety store for four years, at the end of which time he sold out. In 1865 he engaged in a general merchandise business in the store he now occupies, having as a partner Albion P. McMasters. A year and a half later he bought his associate's interest, and thereafter carried on the store until 1871. In that year he bought a farm in Kenduskeag, which he afterward cultivated for the succeeding twenty years. Since August, 1891, he has conducted a flourishing trade in clothing, gentlemen's furnishings, hats, caps, bags, trunks, etc., at his former place of business in this town. He is also a director of the Waverly Woollen Mills.

On March 11, 1858, Mr. Jenkins was joined in marriage with Helen M. Jerrard, a daughter of John and Jane Jerrard, the former of whom was an extensive farmer and lumberman of Plymouth. Mrs. Jenkins has had eight children, namely: Alice M., born December 20, 1858, who married Alvah H. Cornforth, a merchant in Pittsfield, and has two children — Vera Louise and Una; Annie H., born April 10, 1860, who is now a book-keeper and resides at home; Louise A., born December 11, 1861, who is now an artist in oil painting and crayon work, and resides in Augusta, Me.; Vernon F., born March 25, 1863, who died August 15, 1884; Willie E., born June 29, 1864, who died on September 11 of the same year; Frederick A., born January 22, 1866,

who married Elizabeth Avery, of Augusta, and is now a teacher in Dallas, Tex.; Bertha Lee, born September 1, 1871, who is now the wife of Leon L. Libby, a shoe merchant of Pittsfield, and has one daughter, Helen M.; and Ralph Dow Jenkins, born December 9, 1877, who was drowned in this town April 16, 1897. The latter, a bright and promising young man, assisted his father in business, and was a member of the Universalist church choir. In politics Mr. Jenkins is a Republican; and he has served the community for some years as Town Clerk and Treasurer, as well as in other offices. In Masonry he has advanced to the Royal Arch degree; and he was the second Worshipful Master of the Blue Lodge here and the first King in the chapter. Both he and Mrs. Jenkins are members of the Universalist society.

ROBINSON TURNER, of Guilford, the proprietor of the Turner House, one of the best and oldest hotels in Piscataquis County, was born here, March 17, 1834, son of Howard and Betsey E. (Sargent) Turner. The early immigrant ancestor settled in Marshfield, Mass., in 1632. General Turner, from whom was named the town of Turner, Me., was the father of Abial, the great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch. The grandfather, also named Robinson Turner, was a carpenter of Turner, who spent his life in Oxford County, and died there at the age of ninety-two years.

Howard Turner, son of Robinson, born in Turner, May 12, 1812, came to Guilford when

but three years of age with Mr. Ezariah Barker. After finishing his school education he was engaged in the mill business both here and in North Guilford, and was afterward interested in farming. In 1863 he bought the Franklin Hotel in Guilford, now called the Turner House, which has been in the family for many years. In religion he accepted the Universalist belief. He was a Democrat in politics, and he held office in the town for many years, serving as chairman of the Board of Selectmen. At his death in Guilford, on March 6, 1874, he left a widow and four children. The widow, Mrs. Betsey E. Turner, is a native of Gloucester, Mass., where she was born, August 6, 1813. She now resides with her son Robinson in Guilford. The children were: Robinson, Julia L., Zadoc L., and George H. Julia L., who became the wife of Mr. Daniel Crockett, died in March, 1884, at the age of forty-eight years. Zadoc L., born in August, 1838, now a resident of Guilford, is interested in the woollen-mills of the place, and also in agriculture. George H., born December 2, 1859, is a member of the firm of H. Douglass & Co., general merchants.

Robinson Turner received his education in Guilford and at Waterville, Me. He spent the years of his early manhood in the mines of California, going there in 1864. Returning to his native place ten years later, he and his brother, Zadoc, in 1874 became the joint proprietors of the Turner House. In the winter of 1878 Mr. Robinson Turner bought the entire property, which he has since carried on independently up to the present time. Mr.

Turner has enlarged the buildings, and by putting in all the modern improvements he has made the old house one of the most comfortable and attractive in the county. In 1874 Mr. Turner married Mrs. Alma Clark Liscomb, who was born in Skowhegan, Me. Mr. and Mrs. Turner have no family. Mr. Turner is politically a Democrat. He is a Mason of Kineo Lodge at Guilford and Piscataqua Chapter, and a member of Good Cheer Lodge, No. 37, I. O. O. F. He is one of the oldest residents of the village and the owner of a well-ordered and popular house.

DANIEL K. WILLIAMS, one of the representative farmers of Embden and a Civil War veteran, was born in this town, November 18, 1840, son of John and Belinda (Wells) Williams. His grandparents, Jacob and Joan Williams, made their way to Embden from Massachusetts through the wilderness in 1790. Here Jacob cleared and improved a farm, upon which he resided for the rest of his life. He died July 12, 1814, and his wife on October 8, 1844. They were the parents of fifteen children, all now deceased; namely, Caleb, Daniel, John, Richard, Isaac, Elsie, Ebenezer, Keziah, Cyrus, Francis, Sukey, Jacob, Chandler, Ephraim L., and Susan.

John Williams, father of Daniel K., was born in Massachusetts in 1784. When a young man he cleared from a wild state the farm his son now occupies. He also cultivated other farms in this town during his long

period of activity, and died October 14, 1867. He was twice married. By his first marriage, which was made with Sally Maynard, there were four children — Mary, Johanna, Sarah, and Howard, none of whom are living. Belinda Wells Williams, a native of Concord, Me., became his second wife and the mother of seven children. Of the latter, the only survivor is Daniel K., the subject of this sketch. The others were: Kingman, Melissa, Fanny, Cyrus, Palmer A., and Adelaide. The mother died March 22, 1885.

Daniel K. Williams passed his youth in attending school and assisting his father upon the farm. On September 16, 1862, he enlisted as a private in Company A, Twenty-eighth Regiment, Volunteer Infantry, under Colonel E. W. Woodman and Captain Seth T. Hutchins. He participated in the siege of Port Hudson, the engagement at Donaldsonville, and several skirmishes in Florida. After he was discharged from the army at Augusta, August 31, 1863, he resided at home for about a year, and then purchased his present farm of one hundred and twenty-five acres, known as the Dr. Salvage farm. Here he has since given his attention to general farming, stock-raising, and dairying. The fertility of his land attests the excellent husbandry it has received at his hands; and new buildings have taken the place of the old ones, which were destroyed by fire in 1880.

On February 12, 1864, Mr. Williams was joined in marriage with Margaret Berry, who was born in Embden, Me., August 6, 1846. Her great-grandfather, Benjamin Berry, was

a soldier in the Revolution; and her grandfather, Levi Berry, fought in the War of 1812. Her parents, Michael and Abigail (Burns) Berry, respectively natives of Embden and Lexington, Me., are still residing here. The only break in their family so far was the death of Mrs. Williams's younger sister on May 12, 1898. Mr. and Mrs. Williams have had six children, namely: Charles L., now a miner in Boulder, Col.; Chester K., born October 28, 1872, who was formerly a teacher and superintendent of schools in this town, and is now teaching in Carritunk, this county; Cora V., born July 15, 1874, who is the wife of Fred Murphy, an operative in a woollen-mill in East Madison, Me.; Olen E., born July 10, 1876, who was accidentally killed in the woods, December 30, 1890; and Palmer A. and Guy F., respectively born on May 14, 1878, and June 24, 1884, both of whom are at home. In politics Mr. Williams is a Republican. He is a member of Keystone Lodge, No. 80, F. & A. M., of Solon, and a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic Post at North Anson. An interesting relic in his possession is a Masonic document one hundred and twenty years old.

JACOB W. STUART, senior member of the firm J. W. Stuart & Son, general merchants at Machiasport, Washington County, was born in this town, February 22, 1828, son of James and Jane (Palmer) Stuart. The grandfather, James Stuart, a native of the north of Ireland and of Scotch

parentage, emigrated to St. John, N.B., from which place he came to Machiasport, and resided here for the rest of his life. He was exceedingly pious and a strict follower of the old Covenanters.

James Stuart, who was born in New Brunswick, having accompanied his parents to Machiasport, there learned the ship-carpenter's trade, which he followed for the rest of his life. He was a Deacon of the Congregational church. Jane Stuart, his wife, a daughter of Jacob Palmer, of this town, became the mother of ten children; namely, Charles, James, Jacob W., Francis N., Jothani S., Joseph Albion, Hannah Jane, John, William Jasper, and Abigail. Of these, Charles, James, John, and William J. are no longer living. William Jasper Stuart, who served in the Civil War as Lieutenant of a New York artillery company, and who was wounded, having spent a furlough of sixty days at home, returned to the front, and was never heard from after. Hannah Jane is the wife of John Dow, of Brockton, Mass.; and Abigail married Stillman Armstrong, who went to California and has never been heard from since his departure.

Jacob W. Stuart acquired a common-school education. After learning the ship-carpenter's trade with his father, he followed it for four years. The succeeding eight or ten years were spent as a sailor in the merchant marine, where he worked his way from the forecabin to the quarter-deck, and became a master mariner. Subsequently, abandoning the sea, he engaged in ship-building, constructing about a half-dozen vessels under contract in the

course of some years. In 1872 he established himself in trade as a general merchant. He had carried on a profitable business alone until 1887, when his son, Morrill N., was admitted to partnership, forming the firm J. W. Stuart & Son. By his marriage with Tryphosia Marston, a daughter of Elisha Marston, of this town, he has three children—Morrill N., Belle, and Kittie M. Kittie M. is now the wife of Warren F. Pope, of East Machias.

HENRY M. RICHARDSON, the proprietor and owner of Hotel Richardson at Sebec Lake, was born in Garland, Me., December 15, 1839, son of Edward and Hannah (Mason) Richardson. The father, a native of Wayne, Me., in early life settled as a pioneer in Garland. In 1842 he moved to Atkinson, where he was engaged in farming for the rest of his life, and died at the age of fifty-seven years. Hannah Richardson, his wife, became the mother of several children, six of whom grew to maturity. Of the latter, three are living, namely: Betsey, who resides in Sebec, and is the widow of C. F. Rankin; Moses, a resident of Atkinson; and Henry M., the subject of this sketch. The others were: Lyman E., who died at the age of thirty-eight; Charles S., who died at fifty-four; and Hannah, who married W. T. Kent, and died at the age of forty-five years. The mother died in Sebec at the age of sixty-three. Both parents were members of the Free Will Baptist church.

Henry M. Richardson was educated in the

town schools of Atkinson. After completing his studies he engaged in farming, rafted logs, and worked in the lumber camps until he was twenty-one, giving his wages to his father. Upon reaching his majority he leased a saw-mill in Sebec village, and carried it on for some four years; also, for a number of years he hauled logs from the stump, drove a conveyance from Sebec village to the railroad station, and conducted boarding-houses for about two years of the time in Still Water and Brewer, Me. In 1888 he bought and remodelled the hotel at Sebec village. Hotel Richardson is situated at the foot of Sebec Lake, in a locality that has been for years a favorite resort of sportsmen, drawn thither by the excellent fishing afforded by the lake and adjacent streams and the abundance of game, including moose, deer, and caribou, in the woods. The house, which is heated by hot-air apparatus, is capable of accommodating fifty guests; and its pleasant rooms and excellent table are all that can be desired. Eight steamers upon the lake afford ample opportunities for fishing and sailing. In connection with the house is a good livery stable, which furnishes teams for driving. Sebec Lake is easily accessible from the large cities by the steamship line between Boston and Bangor or by the Maine Central and Bangor & Aroostook Railways to Sebec station. Its popularity both as a sportsman's retreat and summer resort is increasing every year. Besides his hotel Mr. Richardson has two farms of one hundred acres each. He is actively interested in public affairs, having served as a member of



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the Board of Selectmen for the past five years. In politics he supports the Republican party.

On November 15, 1873, Mr. Richardson married Annette Ford, who was born in Sebec village, April 24, 1841. Her parents were Abner and Mehitable (Hatch) Ford, the former of whom was a native of a place called Ford Town, named for his father. Mrs. Richardson's father was a very prominent citizen and a member of the Masons of Milo, who have his portrait in their hall. He was a millwright by trade, and erected many mills in his day. Both he and his wife are now deceased. Mr. Richardson is a member of Kineo Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Dover; and he and Mrs. Richardson are members of the Baptist church.

SAMUEL A. SMITH, one of the oldest merchants of Brownville, Piscataquis County, was born in this town, October 13, 1830, son of Daniel and Mary (Stickney) Smith. Daniel Smith, a native of Berwick, Me., was a farmer by vocation. He came to Brownville in 1820, took up one hundred acres of new land in the southern part of the town, and with persevering industry cleared a farm, which he tilled until obliged to give up active labor. He was a reliable business man and a good citizen. At political elections he voted the Whig ticket. He lived to be about sixty years old. Mary Stickney Smith, his wife, was born in Weare, N.H. She lived to the advanced age of eighty-four years. They had six children that grew to maturity. Of these

Mary Ann, Daniel, and Francis are deceased. The living are: Emeline, the wife of William Mayo, of Milo, Me.; Samuel A., the subject of this biography; and Martha E. Smith, who lives with her brother.

Samuel A. Smith was educated in the schools of this town and at Foxcroft Academy. Subsequently, in the capacity of a civil engineer for one John Ayer, he helped in the building of the Maine Central Railroad from Waterville to Bangor. He had been so employed for two years when, in 1856, he started a store in Brownville, which he has since prosperously conducted. For about twenty years of this period he was in partnership with M. W. Brown. He deals in dry goods, groceries, hardware, tinware, agricultural implements, etc., carrying the variety of goods that an experience of over forty years has shown him will meet the demands of his customers.

In 1860 Mr. Smith was joined in marriage with Miss Martha L. Jenks, a daughter of Eleazer A. Jenks, Esq., one of the leading men of Brownville and a Justice of the Peace for forty years. They have two children living: Annie L., of Brownville; and Edgar C. Smith, a lawyer in Dover, Me. They lost one son in infancy. The Republican party has a loyal supporter in Mr. Smith. He has been Town Clerk for over twenty years, a Selectman for one term, and he has also served in the School Committee. Both he and his wife are members of the Congregational church, and he has been a Deacon of the society for about thirty years.

WILLIAM WYER BRADBURY, of Machias, Washington County, Registrar of Probate for the county, was born in this town, February 10, 1843, son of Wyer and Eliza (Webber) Bradbury. His grandfather, True Bradbury, who was a farmer, resided in Lubec, of which town he was one of the early settlers. Wyer Bradbury, who was born in Lubec and attended school there, at an early age began going to sea. When twenty-five years old he was master of a vessel, and he sailed on many foreign voyages. During the latter part of his life he was engaged in the coasting trade, and he continued in active work until about a year before his death, when he retired. He was a member of Harwood Lodge, No. 91, F. & A. M. His wife, Eliza, who was a member of the Baptist Church of Machias, became the mother of the following-named children: Isaac, who lost his life during the Civil War while in command of the gunboat "Narcissus"; James, who was killed at the battle of Rappahannock Station on November 7, 1864; William W., the subject of this sketch; Benjamin F., who resides in Machias; and Lydia, who is the wife of the Hon. William S. Lawrence, the Mayor of Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.

William Wyer Bradbury received his education in the schools of his native town, graduating from the high school at the age of eighteen. He then became a clerk in a general merchandise store. After working for a number of years in that position, he bought out his employer's interest, and became the pro-

prietor of the business. Having successfully conducted the store until 1890, he sold out when elected Registrar of Probate. In politics Mr. Bradbury is a Republican. He has served the town as Treasurer for a number of years, for three or four years as Selectman, and for five years as Supervisor of Schools. In this last-named position he is still serving. He is also acting as Town Clerk, which position he has held for six or eight years. Fraternally, he is a member of Harwood Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is also Past Master; and he belongs to Washington Chapter and St. Elmo Commandery. He is also connected with Machias Lodge, No. 32, Ancient Order of United Workmen.

Mr. Bradbury was married to Josephine A., daughter of John H. Fisher, of Machias. His children are Emily and Gertrude. Gertrude is the wife of Fred J. McTeer, of Machias. A member of the Congregational church, Mr. Bradbury is the treasurer for the proprietors, and president and treasurer for the parish.

THOMAS BLACKWELL, a retired farmer of Cornville township, has made a noteworthy record for persevering industry and thrift, and is a fine representative of the self-made men of Somerset County. He was born December 27, 1830, in the neighboring town of Norridgewock, son of Thomas Blackwell, Sr. The latter was born and brought up in Madison, Me., a town in which he passed the earlier part of his life. Some years ago

he became a resident of Dead River plantation, Somerset County, remaining there until his death in October, 1894, at a ripe old age. He was twice married. His first wife bore him one child, Joseph, who lives in Madison, Me. By his second union there were several children.

Thomas Blackwell, the subject of this sketch, had but meagre opportunities for obtaining an education. He left home when but eight years of age, going first to Dover, N.H., where he spent a long winter of four months. He afterward worked for different farmers in Somerset County until he was thirty years old, being employed for the larger portion of the time in Cornville. After his marriage he began farming on his own account in Cornville, spending the first four years on a farm not far from his present home. During the ensuing two years he resided in Canaan township. Then, not being satisfied with his environment, he returned to Cornville, and, buying the property then known as the Pollard farm, has since conducted a substantial business as general farmer and stock-raiser. He has one hundred and ten acres of land, well improved, and usually reaps excellent harvests of grain and hay. Of late years, owing to impaired health, he has given up the cares and responsibilities of the farm to his son, and is now spending his declining years in the enjoyment of the fruits of his industry.

Mr. Blackwell was married June 14, 1860, to Miss Betsey Flanders, who was born in Cornville, February 17, 1827. Her father, Will-

iam Flanders, born in New Hampshire, settled in life as a farmer in Cornville, where he and his wife, whose maiden name was Betsey Malborn, passed their last years. Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell have one child, Charles H., born June 25, 1866. As mentioned above, Charles H. has charge of the farm, looks carefully to the welfare of his parents, and is very active in local affairs. Both he and his father support the Republican party.

ALONZO T. MITCHELL, of Shirley, Piscataquis County, one of the oldest and most popular guides in the State of Maine, son of William and Nancy (Shorey) Mitchell, was born in this town, April 21, 1837. His grandfather, Samuel Mitchell, one of the first settlers in Shirley, died in this town. William Mitchell, born in Plymouth, Me., and also one of the first settlers in Shirley, followed a trail marked by blazed trees in coming to the town. He was a millman and a merchant, and was engaged in trade here for a number of years. In politics he was a Republican. He was Postmaster here for an extended period. In religious belief he was an Adventist. He died at the age of seventy-three. His wife, also a native of the Pine Tree State, died at the age of seventy-five. They were the parents of five children, namely: Charles F., who lives in the West; Julia E., the wife of L. Troy, of Shirley; Alonzo T., the subject of this biography; Samuel, residing in Guilford; and Henry, residing in Shirley.

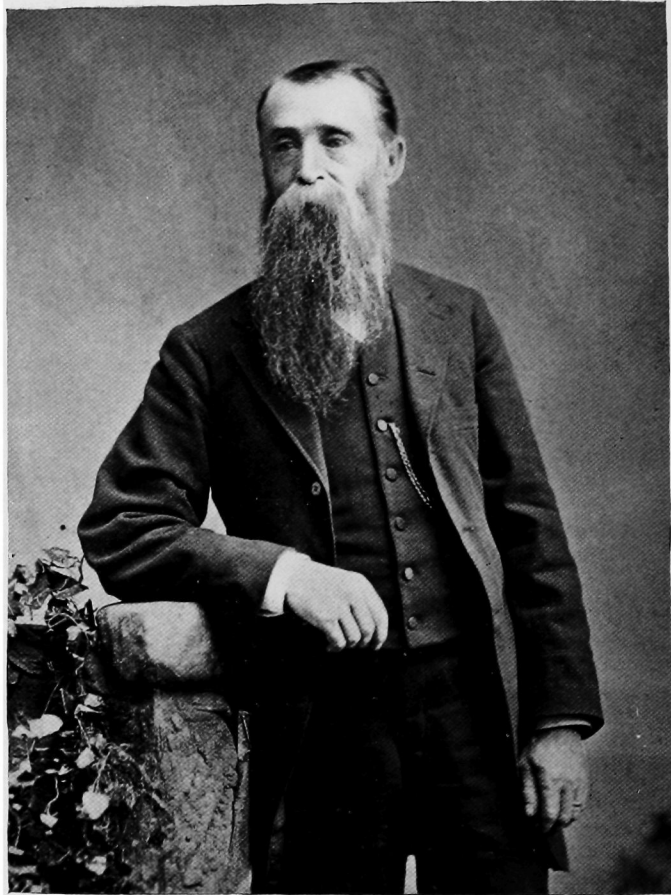
Alonzo T. Mitchell was reared and educated in Shirley. He has been engaged in agriculture for a great many years. For some time he also managed a sportsman's camp at Indian Pond. In 1889 he built Camp Caribou, one of the best camps on Indian Pond, conveniently located in a section abounding with game and fish, and well equipped with boats and other accommodations for sport. Mr. Mitchell has acted as a guide for several years, though he was not licensed until July, 1897. One of the best men in his calling, he is well known among the sportsmen who frequent the hunting-grounds of Maine, and has many warm friends. He was married January 6, 1865, to Dorcas Shorey, a native of this town. Four children have since blessed the union, namely: Linwood L., who lived but four years; Alphonso C., now the station agent at Shirley; Anna, now the wife of Mark T. Simpson, a blacksmith of Shirley; and Ida M., residing in this town. Mr. Mitchell is a Republican. He has held all the offices within the gift of the town, and has served on the Board of Selectmen for many years.

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GEORGE Q. NICKERSON, D.D.S., of Houlton, Aroostook County, who has won an extended reputation for skill in dentistry, was born in the neighboring town of New Limerick, May 20, 1860, son of Charles Nickerson. The father, a native of Charlestown, Mass., was reared and educated in New Limerick, Me., whither his parents

removed with their large family of children. He was brought up on the farm, which he assisted his father to redeem from the wilderness. In 1861 he removed to Hodgdon, where he has since carried on general farming with success. Public-spirited, able, and intelligent, he takes much interest in town affairs, and is actively identified with the Republican party. While a member of the Baptist church, he holds liberal views regarding the professors of other creeds. He married Miss Martha D. Nickerson, by whom he became the father of three children — Walter, Alice, and George Q. Alice, who married James K. Osgood, died April 13, 1876.

George Q. Nickerson attended the district schools of Hodgdon, and was afterward a pupil of the Houlton Academy. He was subsequently a clerk for a time in the dry-goods store of Charles P. Tenney, where he obtained a practical knowledge of business methods and principles. The following six years were spent in business with his brother Walter in Houlton. Then he sold out his interest in the firm to his partner, and took up the study of dentistry, for which he had a predilection. After completing a three years' course at the Philadelphia Dental College he received his degree in 1891, and at once established himself in Houlton. He was the first dentist to locate here who took a full course in dental surgery, and remains the only one who has done so up to the present. Keeping abreast of the times as regards new inventions and improvements, his work compares favorably with that of the best dentists



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in the State. The natural result is that he has an extensive practice in the district.

Not restricting himself to his profession, however, Dr. Nickerson, some time ago, for five thousand dollars bought the property now known as the Highlands, and, with three other persons, formed a syndicate that laid out this property into streets and building lots, selling the latter at from three hundred dollars to five hundred dollars each. This venture has proved a most profitable investment for its originators and a valuable addition to the city. The Doctor also finds time for recreation, and spends many pleasant hours in hunting, fishing, and driving. An expert horseman, he keeps trotting horses, usually of the 2.30 class, and, under his own driving, is often a winner on the track. Fraternally, he is a member of the Knights of Pythias.

EDWIN P. SNOW, M.D., an able physician and surgeon of Atkinson, Piscataquis County, was born in this town, September 25, 1825, son of Dr. Eleazar Wheelock and Dorcas (Hibbard) Snow. His grandfather, Benjamin Snow, who came to Atkinson from the neighborhood of Bath, N.H., about the year 1818, did not reside here for any length of time. The father, who was named after a former president of Dartmouth College, received his degree of Doctor of Medicine from the medical department of that institution. Thereupon he located in Atkinson, and practised in this town until his death, which occurred in October, 1849, at

the age of fifty-four years. The only practitioner in Atkinson, he visited professionally all parts of the county, generally on horseback. He owned and cultivated a good farm. Previous to his death he decided to retire from practice in favor of his son, in order to devote his time to agriculture. He was successively a Whig and an abolitionist. In 1820 he was chosen a delegate to the convention held in Portland that arranged for the separation of Maine from Massachusetts. He served as a Selectman, and was Moderator and a member of the School Board for many years; he was also Judge of Probate. His children were: Helen P., who became Mrs. Ford; Amanda P., who was the first wife of Russ A. Snow, of this town; and Edwin P. Snow, the subject of this sketch.

Edwin P. Snow prepared for his collegiate course at the Charleston and Foxcroft Academies, and attended Waterville College for two years. His medical studies, which were begun under the direction of his father, were completed at the Bowdoin Medical College at Brunswick, Me. After graduating in 1849, he located temporarily in Brownville. Almost immediately after he was called upon to take the place made vacant by the death of his father. Since then he has followed his profession in Atkinson assiduously. From the time of entering into practice until his partial retirement some time since, he covered his father's old circuit with added territory. He owns a desirably located farm of thirty-five acres, besides considerable outlying property; and his long period of activity has been suc-

cessful both professionally and financially. In politics he is a Democrat. He served as United States Pension Examiner under both administrations of Cleveland, and at the earnest solicitation of the old soldiers of this locality he was recently reappointed by President McKinley.

Dr. Snow first married Henrietta Chase, a daughter of Captain Joseph Chase. His children by her were: Alice, the wife of T. H. Wyman, of Sebec; and Henrietta, who is no longer living. His second wife, Lovina L., a daughter of William Reed, has had three children; namely, Harry A. Snow, M.D., George S., and Edwin P. Of these the only survivor is Dr. Harry A. Snow. Both parents have been actively interested in educational work. The Doctor taught school when a young man; while Mrs. Snow, besides having been a successful teacher previous to her marriage, has been connected with public school matters in Atkinson for upward of forty years. In 1889, his fortieth anniversary as a physician, Dr. Snow was made the recipient of a handsome gold-headed cane by his numerous friends, on which occasion the presentation was made by the late John H. Ramsdell, and an original poem, written by Rev. N. R. Turner, was read.

GEORGE H. HUNTER, of the firm Hunter, McMaster & Co., merchants of Pittsfield, was born in Bowdoinham, July 1, 1830, his parents being Robert and Jane (Henry) Hunter. His father, a native of

Topsham, who was well known in the county, lived in Bowdoinham for several years, carrying on a tannery and to some extent engaged in farming. In 1835 he located in a place about three miles west of Pittsfield village, and there carried on farming until his death in 1870, on May 31. He was also engaged in lumbering and in trading. Prominent as a politician and with the best interests of the community always at heart, he was chosen to represent the town in the legislature, was County Commissioner for several years, and for a period a member of Governor John Danna's Council. He also served the town as Selectman for a number of years and in various other positions. In politics he was a Democrat. The first of his two marriages was contracted with Charity Rogers, of Bowdoin, who had five children—James R., Louisa, Nancy, Robert P., and Charity—all now deceased. By his second marriage, which was made with Jane Henry, there were two children: Ellen Maria, who died at the age of thirty-seven years; and George H. Both parents were members of the Universalist church, and were active in church work.

George H. Hunter remained with his parents until he was twenty years of age. Going then to Lowell, Mass., he learned the machinist's trade, and subsequently worked at it for about two years each in Lowell and Portland. After his marriage, which took place in 1851, he continued to work at his trade until 1855, when the increasing feebleness of his parents caused him to return to the farm and take care of them for the rest of their

lives. At once he assumed the management of the farm, and, as time went on, erected new buildings and made many other improvements on the place. In 1872 he exchanged the farm for his present residence in Pittsfield village. Shortly after his arrival he was appointed Tax Collector, which position he held for five years. In 1876 he was made Deputy Sheriff. His mercantile career began in 1877. From that time until 1881 he was with Mr. Charles E. Vickery in a variety store. The burning of the store in 1881 threw him out of business for a time, but in 1885 he formed a partnership with Nelson Vickery that lasted for a year and a half. In the fall of 1886 he bought out Mr. Vickery's interest, and the firm of Hunter & McMaster was formed. C. E. Frost was taken into the firm in 1891, and the name changed to Hunter, McMaster & Co. The firm carries a line of first-class groceries and of flour and feed.

Mr. Hunter's wife, a Clinton lady, whose maiden name was Elizabeth A. Flagg, is a daughter of Ruel Flagg, who was a farmer and carpenter, and died several years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter have had two children — Charles H. and Everett W. The latter died at the age of ten years. Charles H., born in February, 1852, who is now a prominent physician in Minneapolis, Minn., successively graduated at Bowdoin College and the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City, and subsequently studied for three years in Europe. He married Maggie O. Stone, of Brunswick, Me. Like his father, Mr. Hunter, Sr., is a Democrat and

has been active in local politics. In 1876-77 he was Selectman. A Mason in good standing, he is a member of Meridian Lodge, No. 125, and of Ira Berry Chapter.

LYMAN L. WALTON, of Skowhegan, the junior member of Walton & Walton, one of the foremost law firms of Somerset County, was born in Mercer, Me., June 2, 1849. He is a son of Sylvanus B. and Martha T. (Chapman) Walton. The father, a son of Joshua and Mary (Rollins) Walton, born in Mercer, December 15, 1818, after receiving his education in the common schools, took up the calling of teacher, for which he had many natural qualifications, and followed it at intervals for over thirty years. Whatever he attempted to do he put his best self into, and he won the respect and affection of his pupils and the esteem of his associates. Also, closely connected with the legal fraternity for years, he gathered considerable knowledge of the law, and drafted instruments, gave advice, and settled disputes. He served as Selectman and Treasurer of his native town, and held other offices of trust and responsibility there. He was in the legislature in 1860-61. During the Civil War he was Deputy Revenue Marshal, and from 1872 to 1874 he was County Commissioner. His death on September 11, 1893, carried sorrow to many, even in distant States.

Lyman L. Walton, after also teaching for several years, was admitted to the Somerset County bar in 1873. He conducted an inde-

pendent practice for one year. In 1874 he became the partner of his uncle, the Hon. S. J. Walton, of Skowhegan, with whom he has been associated since. When aroused, he is an impressive and eloquent speaker, and knows how to carry his point. Reliable and honest, Messrs. Walton & Walton do not seek business. They rather counsel those who come to them for advice to avoid the law. Always working for the best interests of their clients, they stand high in their profession as able and conscientious lawyers, ranking among the leaders of the Somerset County bar.

Mr. Lyman L. Walton is a member of the Somerset Bar Association, and was its secretary for some time. He is also a member of the Maine State Bar Association. In politics he is a Republican. He was County Attorney from 1877 to 1880, a member of the School Committee of Skowhegan for four years, and its chairman for two years of that time. In 1880 he was a member of the State, County, and Town Republican Committees, and he was the chairman of the party's Town and County Committees for four years. In 1896-97 he represented Skowhegan in the State legislature. He is a member of the Island Avenue Congregational Church of Skowhegan, a Mason, an Odd Fellow, member of the A. O. U. W., Foresters, and N. E. O. P. In lodge, school, church, town, politics, and all affairs of public interest and benefit, he is always found an earnest worker for that which is truest and best. An occasional writer for the press and literary societies, his writings, both of poetry and prose, have been much

admired. By his marriage in 1874 with Martha A., daughter of David D. Smith, of Cornville, he is the father of two daughters.

SAMUEL J. WALLACE, M.D., the well-known physician of Castine, Hancock County, and a Civil War veteran, was born in Wallaceville, near Easton, Pa., May 27, 1839, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Candy) Wallace. The father, a native of the same place, which was so named in his honor, and a millwright by trade, built mills there. Besides considerable property in the town he owned an island in the Delaware River, which he connected with the shore by a suspension bridge. He was a man of large stature and powerful physique. His death, which occurred in the prime of life, was caused by an accident that befell him while repairing his grist-mill. He was twice married. Samuel J. was the only child of his second marriage. The children of his first wife were a son and a daughter.

Samuel J. Wallace acquired his early education in the public schools of Philadelphia. In 1861 he enlisted in Company A, Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers. Entering the service as an Orderly Sergeant, he served for eighteen months. He was twice wounded, once quite severely in the leg at the second battle of Bull Run, and was for some time confined to the hospital in Washington. While in Washington he met his half-brother, James, who after their father's death went to Ohio, and had not been heard from since

1843. James had been wounded in the arm while serving as Lieutenant in an Ohio regiment, and the surgeons were about to amputate the limb when Samuel made a vigorous protest. Though ordered out of the room, he was undismayed, and sought the aid of Secretary Stanton, who refused to interfere; but an appeal to President Lincoln resulted in securing for his brother a furlough of one month. Three weeks after, James Wallace stopped in Washington while on the way to rejoin his regiment, to personally thank the President for his kindness. On that occasion the President was so well pleased with his patriotic zeal that he gave him a Lieutenant Colonel's commission. James was afterward killed at the battle of Cold Harbor. When the war ended, Samuel J. Wallace studied medicine at the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia. He first came to Castine in 1877, and since 1881 has resided here permanently, practising his profession with success, and also carrying on the drug business.

Dr. Wallace married Lucy V. Little, a daughter of Otis and Abigail (Perkins) Little, by both of whom she is a descendant of pioneer settlers in this locality. She is the mother of three children — Edward Otis, Lucy Kate, and Joseph Dickinson Wallace, aged respectively eighteen, fifteen, and twelve years. The Doctor is interested in everything relating to his profession, and belongs to the Hancock County Medical Society. For seven years he was the president of the Board of United States Pension Examiners and the secretary for one year. He is a mem-

ber of the Masonic order, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Improved Order of Red Men, and the Order of Good Fellows; is Court Physician of the United Order of Foresters; Past Grand Commander of the Sovereign Patriotic Knights; Past Commander of Charles L. Stevens Post, No. 76, G. A. R., of which he is now Surgeon; and he formerly belonged to the Knights of Pythias. His first Presidential vote was cast for Abraham Lincoln in 1860, and in 1896 he supported the candidacy of William J. Bryan. He is a strong sympathizer with the Cubans in their struggle for independence, and believes that they should be allowed to establish their own government. He thinks that where Admiral Dewey planted the Flag of Freedom there it should remain, and that Spain is unfit to govern in any part of the world.

MON. ALBERT M. NASH, who was formerly State Senator from Washington County and a merchant of Harrington, was born in this town on the fifteenth day of April, 1833, son of Stillman W. and Melissa W. Nash. The grandfather, Uriah Nash, who built the first mill, was engaged in farming, and with his half-brother, Isaiah Nash, was one of the first two settlers in Harrington. He died here at an advanced age.

Stillman Nash, born here on May 31, 1809, died on May 22, 1880. He was interested in various enterprises, including ship-building, tanning, and the manufacture of boots and

shoes, and was very successful. A great impetus to the industrial life of the town was given by him, and many of Harrington's young men in his time owe to him their start in life. During his life he served in many town offices, and he was the second Postmaster of the place. A devoted member of the Baptist church, his daily life and practice were those of a consistent Christian. In early life a Whig, he later became a Republican. His wife, born at Columbia, this State, on May 15, 1811, died on October 30, 1876. She was a daughter of Joseph and Lydia (Noonan) Nash, of Columbia. Her children were: Albert M., the subject of this biography; Irene L., born January 12, 1835; Rebecca E., born June 31, 1837, who died February 28, 1839; Frederick S., born February 28, 1840, who died April 13, 1840; Mary L., born August 23, 1841, who died January 17, 1849; Elijah H., born September 17, 1843, who died October 15, 1866; Elizabeth C., born August 22, 1845; Stillman E., born July 17, 1847, who died August 28, 1872; and Annie E., born March 17, 1855, who died May 6, 1883. Elizabeth C. is the wife of Captain Russell Glover, who has been for thirty years in the United States revenue marine service, and is now superintendent of the same, being located at Baltimore. Annie E. married Charles A. Coffin on June 7, 1880, and was the mother of one child, Alice F., who, born in 1881, died in 1884.

Albert M. Nash grew to manhood in his native town, receiving his education in its schools and at academies in East Machias and

Cherryfield. A mercantile business here, started by him before the Civil War, proved so successful that he continued it down to 1891. In connection with his father he was also interested in ship-building until the death of the latter, and he subsequently carried it on alone until 1891. During these years he built some of the largest vessels ever launched in this section of the State. On April 15, 1863, he was first married to Martha H. Glover, of Calais, who died on January 17, 1870. A second marriage on Christmas Day, 1876, wedded him to Emily C. Moore, of St. Stephen, N.B. By the first union there were three children—Mary C., Grace P., and Elijah Hamlin. Mary C., who was born on October 29, 1864, is now the wife of Dr. Fred Nickels, of Cherryfield, and has two children—Martha Glover and Albert Nash Nickels. Grace P., born on September 26, 1867, is now a kindergarten teacher at Providence, R.I. The son, Elijah Hamlin Nash, born on March 20, 1869, resides in the State of Washington, and is County Clerk of the county in which he lives. On February 16, 1896, he married Deborah Kelley, of San Juan Island, who was born February 3, 1877. They have two children: Albert M., born October 16, 1896; and E. Hamlin, born April 2, 1898. By his second wife Albert M. Nash, Sr., has one daughter, Melissa W., who was born October 20, 1878.

One of the most energetic and progressive men in Harrington, Mr. Nash has taken an active part in town affairs. For a number of years he held the office of Selectman, and he

has also been Town Treasurer. In 1877-78 he occupied a seat in the State Senate. Although believing in the spirit of Christianity and a generous supporter of the Baptist church in this place, he is not connected with any religious society. The new building of the Baptist society here probably could not have been erected without his liberal contribution. Mrs. Nash is an Episcopalian. Fraternally, Mr. Nash is a member of Dirigo Lodge, F. & A. M., at Cherryfield; and also of the Masonic chapter at that place. In politics he has been a Republican since the formation of that party.

CHARLES H. SAWYER, of Greenville, the landlord of the Lake House, was born in Augusta, Me., December 2, 1844. His parents, Charles and Elizabeth (Plummer) Sawyer, are both natives of the Pine Tree State. The father, who was born in Saco, was in the hotel business a great many years. He managed the Cushnoch House and the Stanley House in Augusta. In 1858 he moved to Greenville and took charge of the Seboonook House, at the same time managing the Eveleth House. Afterward, in Newport, Me., he was in charge of the Shaw House for a number of years. He died in Newport, November 8, 1897. An energetic and capable man, he was very popular as a hotel-keeper. In politics he was an active Republican, and in Newport he served as Selectman and Tax Collector for a number of years. His wife had nine children, namely:

Nellie, the wife of J. B. Marsh, of Newport, Me.; Charles H., the subject of this sketch; Sarah J., now the wife of E. J. Winnie, of Newport; Anna, the wife of O. E. Dexter, of the same place; Sumner F., a resident of Winthrop, Me.; Carrie E., residing in Newport; Louisa, the wife of David T. Sanders, of Greenville; and George E. and Louisa, both deceased.

Charles H. Sawyer grew to manhood in Augusta and Greenville. He attended school in both places, and was for some time a student at Foxcroft Academy. In 1862, though under age, he enlisted in Company E, Eighteenth Maine Regiment, which was afterward merged in the First Heavy Maine Artillery. He was three years in the service, participating in some of the greatest conflicts of the war, including those fought at Spottsylvania, North Anna, Tolopotomy Creek, Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Jerusalem, Deep Run, Deep Bottom, Poplar Springs, South Weldon, Hatch's Creek, James Farm, the capture of Petersburg and Amelia Springs, and was present at the surrender of Lee. Mr. Sawyer was never in hospital or camp when his company was in action, but was always in his place; and, though his comrades fell about him, he miraculously escaped injury. After he was honorably discharged, on September 11, 1865, he kept the Saco House in Saco, Me., for a year. He was then in the livery business in Newport, Me., for two years. In 1868 he took charge of the Lake House, which has now been under his able management for thirty years. In that period for a while he

managed the Lake Hebron Hotel at Monson and the Foxcroft Exchange. To-day he is one of the oldest and most popular hotel men in this section. His house is a neat, modern hotel, beautifully situated on the bank of Moosehead Lake. The rooms are airy and light, the beds good, and the cuisine and service excellent. Free transportation to the depot is provided for the guests, and there is a good livery attached to the hotel. The house accommodates seventy-five guests and is open the year round.

Mr. Sawyer was married in 1865 to Elizabeth J. Littlefield, a native of this county. He has one son, Carl I. Sawyer, born in Greenville, March 3, 1873, who married Miss Belle Larkin, of Chester, Pa., resides in Boston, and is the secretary of the Sunny Side Gold Mining Company. Mr. Charles H. Sawyer is a Republican. He is Junior Warden of Columbia Lodge, No. 200, F. & A. M., of Greenville, having membership in Piscataquis Royal Arch Chapter, of Dover, St. John's Commandery, of Bangor, and Kora Temple, of Lewiston; belongs to Kineo Lodge, No. 64, I. O. O. F., at Dover; and is a member of Moosehead Lodge, No. 46, A. O. U. W., at Greenville. On religious subjects his views are liberal.

ELLIS YOUNG, who is spending the closing years of his long and busy life on his pleasant homestead in Surry, Hancock County, was born in this town, August 9, 1820, son of Joseph Young. The

paternal grandfather, Samuel Young, who came from Saco, Me., to Surry when a young man, settled on the Neck, close to the shore. He took up a tract of wild land, which by means of incessant toil he converted into a good farm. Like his pioneer neighbors he built a log house, and there dwelt for the rest of his life, rearing his family and reaching a good old age.

Joseph Young was born in the old log cabin on the homestead which his father wrested from the wilderness. During his earlier years he was employed in coasting. Subsequently he turned his attention to farming, in which he was successfully engaged until his death at the venerable age of fourscore and four years. A man of sterling integrity, he became prominent in town affairs, and wielded an influence for good in the community. To him and his wife, whose maiden name was Margaret Edmunds, eight children were born, namely: Loring, now deceased; Ellis, the subject of this sketch; Samuel J., now a resident of Bangor, Me.; Henry J., Amelia, Cynthia S., Apphia S., and Sarah P., who are also deceased.

Ellis Young left the district school when a boy of fourteen to become a sailor. From that time until 1885, a full half-century, he followed the sea. At the age of eighteen, having become thoroughly familiar with the management of ships, he was made a captain, and thereafter sailed as master mariner. In his long experience he was unusually fortunate, the only vessel that he ever lost having been one on the Penobscot River. Since he retired

from seafaring, he has managed a farm that he purchased while it was in its primitive condition, there being then neither highways nor clearings in the locality. The property is now wonderfully improved. Commodious and conveniently arranged structures have replaced the original buildings, which were destroyed by fire; while the residence is one of the best in the vicinity.

In politics Mr. Young has been a sound Democrat since 1844, when he cast his first Presidential vote for James K. Polk. Although he has never sought public office, he has served as Road Surveyor and School Agent. On May 25, 1845, he married Mary E., daughter of Philip N. and Jane H. (Moore) Kimball, and now has two children — Harry H. and Edna J. Harry H., the eldest child, now a resident of Surry, married Eleanor Jarvis, and has two children — Eva A. and Hallie. Edna J. is the wife of John Hooper, of New Hampshire, and has one son, Harry Hooper.

CHARLES D. HILL, formerly of the firm Hill, Pike & Co., wholesale grocers of Calais, Washington County, was born in this city, August 7, 1851, son of Daniel and Elmira (Quincy) Hill. His grandfather, Abner Hill, was one of the early settlers and pioneer lumbermen of St. Stephen, N.B. Through his maternal grandfather, Edmund Quincy, of Portland, he was a descendant of the famous Massachusetts family of that name.

Daniel Hill was born in Milltown, N.B.,

in 1804. When a young man he started in the lumber manufacturing business in Milltown, where he was located for a number of years. Then he transferred his mills to Baring, having his office and wharves in this city. A short time before his death he established the Hill Planing Mill Company. His business ability and progressive tendencies were of much benefit to this locality. Elmira Hill, his wife, became the mother of six children, five of whom lived to maturity; namely, Frank H., Albert Q., Fred M., Charles D., and Edmund Q. Hill. The father was a member of the Universalist church, and the mother was a Congregationalist.

Charles D. Hill was a pupil of the public schools, Calais Academy, Westbrook Seminary, General Russell's Military School in New Haven, Conn., and Yale College. After leaving Yale he entered the Calais National Bank as a clerk, in which capacity he served for four years. Then he took a similar position with Willard B. King, an importer in St. Stephen. In 1887 he and others bought the business of Mr. King, and under the style of C. D. Hill & Co. carried it on for about seven years, during which time a branch store was opened in Calais. When the firm dissolved in 1894, Mr. Hill formed a partnership with W. H. Pike, and purchased the Calais store, which was afterward conducted until recently by Hill, Pike & Co. This firm, perhaps, transacted the largest wholesale grocery business in the city, and was a direct importer of West India goods, teas, etc. The senior partner was one of the original projectors of the

Calais Street Railway and a member of its Board of Directors.

Mr. Hill married Helen Greenwood King, a daughter of the late Willard B. King, of this city. In politics he was a Republican; and for the two years preceding his death he was a member of the Board of Aldermen, serving as the chairman of the Committee on Sewers. A Mason of high standing, he belonged to St. Croix Lodge and Chapter, Delta Lodge of Perfection at Machias, and Kora Temple of the Mystic Shrine in Lewiston; and he was Eminent Commander of Hugh de Payens Commandery, Knights Templar, of this city. As a business man of unusual energy and enterprise he had the esteem and confidence of many people. Of this fact his appointment as a trustee of the Granville Chase estate was one of many proofs. He attended the Congregational church. When he died, April 30, 1898, the event was deplored as a public loss.

JOHAN DEAN HOPKINS, a native resident of Ellsworth, elsewhere spoken of as a man who has been for more than a generation one of the most notable characters of Eastern Maine, was born February 13, 1817, while the State was yet a part of Massachusetts. His parents were John and Abigail (Brimmer) Hopkins. His father was a native of Cape Cod, probably a descendant of Stephen Hopkins, who came over in the "Mayflower" in 1620, and whose son Giles settled at Yarmouth on the Cape; and his mother was a daughter of George B. and Abi-

gail (Eddy) Brimmer, who removed to Ellsworth from Boston, it is said, about the year 1794.

When a young man John Hopkins came in a coasting-vessel to Hancock County, Maine; and, foreseeing in a measure the possibilities that might be realized from a further development of this part of the State, he located at Ellsworth, then a small village. There were no markets near, and in order to purchase goods he often drove to Boston in his chaise. He bought and sold land, carrying on quite an extensive real estate business for some years, and accumulated a good sum of money. He became active in local affairs, and for some time was Sheriff of Hancock County. He died in 1840, at the age of fifty-six years. To him and his wife, whose maiden name was Abigail Brimmer, eleven children were born, as follows: George B., deceased; John D., the special subject of this sketch; James H.; Abigail B.; Francis A., deceased; Sarah; Albert M.; Mary J., deceased; Alphonso, deceased; Eliza Ann, deceased; and Edward K. All of those now living, six in number, are residents of Ellsworth.

John D. Hopkins received such educational advantages as were afforded by the pioneer schools of his day, and until the death of his father worked on the home farm, after which he engaged in teaming and lumbering ten years or more. He has since been actively employed as a dealer in lumber much of the time, but is now practically retired from business pursuits. Wonderful changes have taken place in the face of the country during his re-

membrane, the dense forests having been cut down and converted into lumber, much of which has been used in the erection of dwellings and public buildings; and the straggling hamlet has grown into a prosperous and beautiful city, the pride of its inhabitants. During the late Rebellion, for three years, Mr. Hopkins was a member of the State legislature, and took an active part on behalf of the brave soldiers. He has also been prominent in municipal matters, and for four or five years succeeding the incorporation of the city was one of its Aldermen. In 1869 he was appointed Collector of Internal Revenue, a position which he retained four years. He was appointed Collector of Customs in 1873, and served twelve years, reappointed in 1889, and served four years, thus making his term of service in this department longer than that of any other incumbent of the office in the town's history. He cast his first Presidential vote in 1840 for William Henry Harrison, and until 1856 was identified with the Whigs. Since that time he has been a firm supporter of the principles of the Republican party; and for fifteen years, under James G. Blaine, he was one of the Republican State Committee. He is a Free Mason and a member of the Unitarian church.

Mr. Hopkins was married in 1843 to Elmira Jourdan, who died a few years later, leaving two children, namely: Maria S., wife of Gilbert Howell, of Bangor, Me.; and Frances, wife of Charles A. Lyon, a merchant in Bangor, who has one son, John H. Lyon. November 10, 1866, Mr. Hopkins was again

married to Mrs. Carrie M. Jarvis, a widow with one daughter.

The firmly written, handsome signature of "John D. Hopkins, eighty-two years young," is indicative of a state of physical and mental vigor that might be envied by many a man of sixty. The estimation in which he is held by those who know him best is shown in the following paragraph from the *Whig and Courier*: —

"One of the pleasing incidents of the recent meeting (1897) of the State Board of Trade at Ellsworth was the spontaneous tribute paid to one of its oldest and most distinguished citizens, the Hon. John D. Hopkins, who has for more than a generation been one of the most notable characters of Eastern Maine. In his opening address at the banquet, the president of the State Board, the Hon. Henry Lord, of this city, referred in eloquent and complimentary terms to the venerable citizen whose absence from the festivities he regretted, and paid a tribute to his sturdy patriotism, tireless energy, and enthusiastic championship of every good cause, that elicited rounds of heartiest applause from the Representative men assembled from all parts of the State. On Thursday, at the entertainment of the board and other guests at the home of Senator Hale, the presence of Mr. Hopkins was signalized by heartiest demonstrations of good will; and among the groups on the lawn his erect and towering form, surmounted by the familiar white felt hat, was constantly surrounded by the friends he has made during his long and honorable participa-

tion in public affairs. It was a gratifying tribute to a strong and earnest character and career."

GIDEON L. JOY, of Hancock, one of the most extensive landholders in Hancock County, son of Stephen Joy, was born here, December 18, 1830. His great-grandfather, Benjamin Joy, was a pioneer settler of Ellsworth, Me., to which he removed from Saco in Colonial times. Among the children reared by him were: John, the grandfather of Gideon L.; and Ivory H., the father of Calvin P. Joy, of Ellsworth, in whose biography will be found further information regarding the family. John Joy came from Ellsworth, the place of his birth, to Hancock by boat, and settled near the shore at a time when white men were rarely seen in this section of the country. He built a log house in the first clearing he made. Soon afterward he placed beside it a blacksmith's shop, in which he worked at his trade when not employed in lumbering and farming. That he was a good workman at his trade is believed to be proved by an axe, supposed to have been made by him, which was turned up by his grandson, Gideon L., a few years ago, when ploughing over the site of the old smithy. He died in 1845, aged seventy-seven years. His wife, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Clark, bore him six children, of whom Stephen was the second son.

Stephen Joy, who was born in Franklin, Me., spent the greater part of his life in Han-

cock, where he died in 1863, at the age of sixty-three years. From his father he learned the blacksmith's trade, and likewise became proficient in that of carpenter. In the latter capacity he built two vessels, and was for a time engaged in coasting and fishing, commanding the craft in which he sailed. On two or three of these trips, when accompanied by his son Gideon, he had very narrow escapes from death by drowning. Although often urged to accept public office, he steadily declined, preferring the quietude of his fireside to the turmoil of official life. He married Almira Lee, a daughter of Abner Lee, of Amherst, Mass. They became the parents of the following children: Stephen D., a resident of Hancock, who married Eliza A. McFarland, and has three sons and a daughter; Gideon L., the subject of this biography; Herman D., deceased, who was an extensive farmer, and married Elizabeth Clark; Julia A., deceased; Almira E., who married George P. Clark, resides in Boston in winter and on the old homestead in summer; and Charles B., who is a ranchman in Colorado.

After completing his studies in the district schools of Hancock, Gideon L. Joy went to Sullivan, a near-by town, to study navigation. At an early age he began his career as a seaman. Afterward, in the capacity of mate on different vessels, he visited many of the important ports of the world. In 1849, seized with the gold fever, he went to California, and there spent two years engaged in mining and lumbering. Returning then to the East, he remained here pretty contentedly until



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1856, when he went to Oshkosh, Wis. Not finding any better opportunities there for improving his circumstances, he came home in the following year, and spent the next four years in seafaring. Then, settling down on shore, he began the improvement of a farm. He bought twenty-seven hundred acres of forest land, and, cutting off the timber, reserved two hundred acres of it for a home-
stead. Here he has built a log house, which he and his family have since occupied. He has about twenty-five acres of the property under cultivation. He is also the owner of nearly ten thousand acres of heavily timbered land, from which he cuts large quantities of lumber each year.

Mr. Joy is an earnest Republican in politics, and he has served his town as Selectman, although he has no especial desire for office. In 1864 he was married to Jane, a daughter of Josiah Coolidge, of Lamoine, and has had five children. The latter were: Mary C., who is now the wife of Henry A. Butler, and has two children — Rebecca and Hazel; Madison B., of Hancock, who married Lydia Nickerson, of Sorrento, and has one child, Lee; Stephen, who died at the early age of five years; Sarah, who is the wife of Wallace R. E. Foss; and Hattie D., who resides at home.

HENRY ROBERT TAYLOR, of Machias, Register of Deeds for Washington County, Maine, was born in Newfane, Vt., on May 31, 1830, son of Denzil and Ann D. (Morse) Taylor. His

grandfather, Hezekiah Taylor, who was born on November 28, 1748, and was graduated at Harvard College in 1770, studied for the ministry and settled in Newfane, Vt., as the first pastor of the Congregational church in that place.

During the Revolution the Rev. Mr. Taylor was enrolled in Lieutenant Park's company of minute-men, which went from Newfane, bore active part in the skirmish at Bemus Heights, and continued in service until after the battle of Saratoga or capture of Burgoyne. Returning to Newfane, he resumed the labors of his pastorate, seldom referring to his own services in the war. He was a man of keen sympathies and quick sensibilities; and his discourses at funerals were appropriate and consoling, so that he was called upon to minister on such occasions by persons from remote distances, and even of a different faith from his own. His wife, Sarah Frost, was born on May 24, 1751.

Denzil Taylor, father of Henry R., was born at Newfane on January 21, 1787, being the seventh and youngest child of his parents. He received a common-school education, supplemented by academic training. He learned the trade of saddler and harness-maker, and during most of his life was engaged in that business. His death occurred on May 13, 1868. His wife, Ann D., who was born October 13, 1793, was the daughter of Ebenezer and Henrietta (Siverly) Morse, of Newfane.

This branch of the Morse family is descended from Samuel Morse, a Puritan dissenter from the English Church, who came to

America in the transport "Increase," Robert Lea master. The family was enrolled on the ship's list as follows: "Samuel Morse, husbandman, aged fifty; Elizabeth Morse, his wife, aged forty-eight; Joseph Morse, aged twenty." Samuel and his family settled in Watertown, where they united with the Puritan church. The General Court assembled at "Newtowne" granted a tract of land south of the Charles River to twelve men, among whom were Mr. Morse and his son Joseph. They held the first meeting in Watertown on August 15, 1636. Joseph Morse was born in 1615. His son, Lieutenant Samuel, born in 1639, served with distinction in the Indian wars. He was commissioned Lieutenant by Sir William Phipps, November 27, 1693, and recommissioned, when nearly sixty years of age, by Lord Bellemont, his commission bearing date October 3, 1699. Lieutenant Samuel's son Joshua, born in 1679, resided in Medfield. His son Ebenezer, born March 2, 1718, in Woburn, was a graduate of Harvard College, well known as a Doctor of Divinity residing in Boylston. The Doctor's son Ebenezer, father of Mrs. Ann D. Taylor, was born on July 10, 1735, and was married to Henrietta Siverly, September 22, 1782. He was a shipwright, residing in New York previous to and including the latter date. His sympathies were with the colonies during their struggle with the mother country; and, when the British forces occupied New York, he was forced to flee to escape imprisonment or impressment into the English navy. His wife, Henrietta, who was

a highly accomplished German lady, born in Würtemberg, survived him, retaining all her faculties at the age of eighty-six—memory, handwriting, and eyesight—as perfect as in youth.

Her grandson, Henry R. Taylor, received his elementary instruction in the public schools of his native town and at Townsend Academy, subsequently fitting for college at Saxton's River Seminary (now Vermont Academy). Early in January, 1849, he was one of a party of fifteen who organized for the purpose of buying and fitting out the brig "Acadian," to sail for California, where the discovery of gold had become an assured fact. The company was known as Cunningham & Co., each partner contributing one thousand dollars. The "Acadian" carried a cargo of provisions and assorted merchandise, and sailed from Boston on February 7, 1849, under command of the senior partner, Captain Cunningham. Meeting with severe storms, the brig was compelled to stop at Rio Janeiro to refit spars and complete such repairs as were needed for the long voyage to the Pacific. After a delay of about two weeks the brig again set sail. During the passage through the Straits of Magellan they encountered adverse winds and severe gales, and at one time had the satisfaction of saving the lives of twenty-six men, the crew of a schooner that had been wrecked on the rocks on the Patagonian shore. With this addition to the numbers on board the little brig, they were obliged to run for the port of Callao, Peru, where a detention of two weeks occurred.

The brig finally arrived at San Francisco in October, 1849.

Immediately upon anchoring in San Francisco Bay the crew of the "Acadian" abandoned the brig, and made for the gold diggings; but the members of the company, who had acquired considerable nautical skill during the long passage, were able, under direction of the captain, to take the vessel across the bay and up the Sacramento River, one hundred and twenty miles to Sacramento City. Arriving there, they purchased a lot and erected a store, which they stocked with their cargo and merchandise. Leaving two of the party in charge of this, the others started out to establish trading posts at intervals over a stretch of three hundred miles from San Francisco to North Yuba River. In 1850 two of the party died of cholera at Sacramento; and, as some of the others then desired to return home, it was considered best to dissolve the partnership. After the dissolution Mr. Taylor, in company with one of the original partners named Blake, started for the mines. They secured a claim, and were successful in panning out about sixteen dollars per day and later, with the aid of a quicksilver machine, twenty dollars a day per man. Concluding, however, that it would be more profitable to engage in a general trading business, they opened a store, which they operated until 1852.

Coming East via the Isthmus of Panama in 1852, Mr. Taylor spent a few months in Boston, and returned the same year to California. While he was on the steamer, a gentleman who was en route for Chili, South America,

to take charge of certain flouring-mills, finding that he was competent in civil engineering and well acquainted with the Spanish language, advised Mr. Taylor to go in company with him to Valdivia. Mr. Taylor, however, continued on his way to California, but, soon finding that conditions had considerably changed during his ten months' absence, and having in mind his late friend's offer to secure him a lucrative position as engineer, decided to try his fortunes in South America. He therefore paid his passage in the "Iowa," a ship of one thousand tons. About three weeks after leaving San Francisco the ship was dismasted in a hurricane, but under broken spars and juremasts succeeded in reaching the nearest available port, Guayaquil, in the Republic of Ecuador. It so happened that, on the day following, General Flores, the ex-president and "Revolutionist," advancing his five war vessels, attacked the city and lower batteries; and for thirty hours the hissing of cannon balls and the bursting of shells rendered the place extremely exciting, even for non-combatants. Flores, however, was defeated and the "Revolution" ended. The ship "Iowa" remained there for over four months, and, when repaired, proceeded on her voyage to Valparaiso. From Valparaiso Mr. Taylor secured a passage to Valdivia, where he expected to receive tidings of his friend in the flouring business, but found to his chagrin that the man had nearly two months before crossed the country to Montevideo to accept a more advantageous situation.

While waiting in the harbor one day, from the vessel's deck Mr. Taylor saw a child that was playing on the rocks near the ruins of old Fort Valdivia fall into the water. Calling the mate and steward, the only ones besides himself then on board, he threw aside his coat, jumped overboard, and succeeded in swimming out to the child. Owing to the violence of the surf he could not gain foothold or place the child upon the slippery rocks; but he finally swam, though bruised and rapidly losing strength, to a place where there was a sandy gully or beach between the rocks, and with one last effort threw him beyond the reach of the surf. Mr. Taylor was now completely exhausted. Upon regaining consciousness, he found himself in the house of the *comandante*, or captain of the port. The captain and his wife were profuse in their expressions of gratitude. The mother presented Mr. Taylor with a valuable ruby cross, taken from her neck; and the *comandante* was instrumental in securing a position for him in the Chilian Government Coast Survey. This position Mr. Taylor held for two seasons, or until the appropriation was exhausted. A portion of the intervening months and two years following he spent in travelling through the interior of those South American republics.

By study Mr. Taylor had acquired an excellent knowledge of French and Spanish. In the latter language he became an accomplished proficient, reading, writing, and speaking it with the ease and fluency of a native, so that during nearly five years' travels he had un-

usual opportunities for becoming familiar with the social customs, home life of the people, and historical events in those republics. Indeed, the subject of this sketch seems to have had an unusually varied and eventful life, enjoying the entertainments and courtesies of wealthy and prominent dignitaries or sharing the rude hospitalities of humble *poveracitos* in city or in hamlet; in the midst of opulence or in the abodes of poverty; idly swaying in hammock, to the twang of guitar, among tropical fruits and flowers, or in solitude patiently climbing the lofty peaks of the Andes, traversing green savannas, or toiling along volcanic heights, threading tropical jungles, or dangerous chasms; exploring the curious ruins of Peru, the empire of the ancient Incas, or the romantic and untrodden wilds of Patagonia; encountering numberless incidents and personal experiences, which, if collected, would fill a volume of narrative and adventure.

After having made several attempts to reach home, and having been obliged, by leaky vessels, mutiny, and other causes, to put back, he finally secured passage in the ship "John Cummings," bound for Hampton Roads, Va., with a cargo of copper ore and green hides. When off Cape Horn it was discovered that, owing to the rascality of the ship's mate, who had received empty casks on board instead of pork and beef, their provisions were running low. For six weeks everybody on board ship lived on a rice diet, and for a few days before reaching port the question of attacking the green hides became

a serious alternative to the half-famished passengers and crew. From Hampton Roads Mr. Taylor went to Baltimore, Philadelphia, and Washington. He soon secured a position in the government survey in Nebraska (then a territory), and was so employed until the outbreak of the Civil War, when he returned East. At this time he visited his brother in Jonesboro, whom he had not seen for more than twelve years, and was persuaded to settle in Machias, where he engaged in civil engineering and surveying, being two years in the Coast Survey of the United States government in Machias Bay and vicinity.

In 1886 Mr. Taylor was elected Register of Deeds for Washington County, and he has ever since occupied that position. His office methods are systematic and highly satisfactory to the public, as evinced by successive re-elections; and he is now entering upon his fourth term of four years each.

Mr. Taylor's first wife, Amelia N., daughter of Amos B. Longfellow, of Machias, bore him three children: Annie E., who resides in Boston; Carrie F., wife of George H. Smith, of Winchester, Mass.; and Arthur H., who died during his Sophomore year at the University of Maine, aged twenty-three years. To Mr. Taylor and his second wife, Laura E., daughter of Kingman Smith, of Whitneyville, were born four children, all of whom are living; namely, Edith H., Henry K., Amy J., and Alfred O. Taylor.

In politics Mr. Taylor is a Republican. He has been one of the Assessors of Machias, also superintendent of schools, and has held

many minor offices. Fraternally, he is a member and Past Master of Harwood Lodge, No. 91, F. & A. M.; Past High Priest of Washington Chapter of R. A. Masons; Eminent Commander of St. Elmo Commandery, K. T.; and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, also holding commissions as Grand Representative in Maine for the Grand Lodge of California, Grand Chapter of Florida and Grand Commandery of New Jersey, a member of St. Croix Council; an active officer in Delta Lodge of Perfection and in Deering Council of P. J. He was one of the incorporators of the Machias Savings Bank, also a director and first secretary of the Machias Electric Light Company. He has been Justice of the Peace for eighteen years, and is also a Dedimus Justice. He has been a Notary Public since 1889, and his commission extends to 1904. He is a member of the California Pioneers, or Forty-niners, and of the Maine Society of Sons of the American Revolution, his certificate in the latter association bearing the significant number "76." As a presiding officer and public speaker he possesses more than ordinary ability. He is prominently named in nearly all memorial and social gatherings of that locality, and, whether called upon for impromptu response or studied address, is always listened to with marked attention and particular interest. Of historical events and aboriginal lore he has been a zealous student, and his writings have been frequently recognized as of note and value. Portions of them have been published in the Government Reports of the

Bureau of Ethnology, especially in the tenth volume (1888-89), where may be found a full plate illustration from his sketches and descriptions of Indian "picture writings," or petroglyphs, of Maine.

CHAUNCEY CLEVELAND LEE, of Foxcroft, a retired schoolmaster and a Civil War veteran, was born June 26, 1843, upon the farm he now owns and occupies, son of Lyman and Elizabeth M. (Miner) Lee. His paternal great-grandfather served in the Continental army during the Revolutionary War. The grandfather, Nehemiah Lee, moved from Wethersfield, Conn., his native town, to Peacham, Vt., when he was twenty-one years old, and cultivated a farm during his active years. His last days were spent in Foxcroft, where he died in March, 1862, aged eighty-seven years. His wife, whose maiden name was Lavinia Carpenter, died here in 1869. She was a half-sister of the Hon. Chauncey F. Cleveland, who was Governor of the State of Connecticut and a member of Congress several terms.

Lyman Lee, born in Peacham, March 2, 1812, settled in Foxcroft in 1834, and became a successful farmer and a prominent citizen. For many years he took an active part in local affairs, serving as a member of the School Committee for several years, also as Selectman, Trial Justice, and Register of Probate for Piscataquis County. The record of his official life is an honorable one. In politics he was originally a Democrat. Later he acted

with the Republican party. In his religious belief he was a Congregationalist. He died August 19, 1881. His wife, born November 11, 1814, who was also a native of Peacham, died December 23, 1887. She was the mother of eight children, five of whom are living; namely, Lyman U. Lee, Mrs. Josephine L. Craft, Mrs. Katherine L. Jackson, Chauncey C. Lee, and Mrs. Martha E. Freese. The others were: Lovinia M., who died at the early age of thirteen years; Leonard W., who served in the Civil War with Company H, First Maine Heavy Artillery, which was later the Eighteenth Maine Infantry, and was killed in battle June 18, 1864, before Petersburg, aged eighteen years; and Willie Frank, who died June 9, 1885, aged twenty-seven years.

Chauncey Cleveland Lee pursued his elementary studies in the common schools, and afterward attended Foxcroft Academy. He was preparing for college when the Civil War broke out, and he enlisted in 1861 in Company A, Sixth Regiment, Maine Volunteers, with which he served until his discharge on account of physical disability. He took part under General B. F. Butler in the campaign in the Gulf, which resulted in the capture of New Orleans. Re-enlisting the same year in Company E, Fourteenth Maine Regiment, he served until 1862, when he was compelled by poor health to leave the army. Upon his return home he adopted educational pursuits, and for thirty-three years was engaged in teaching schools in Maine and Massachusetts, where he attained a high rank in his chosen profession. In 1895 he retired in order to give his atten-

tion to the homestead farm, which he inherited. He is now cultivating his property energetically and with success. Politically, he is a Republican. He was formerly a member of the School Board and superintendent of schools. At present he is a Justice of the Peace; and he has served as chairman of the Republican Town Committee for a number of years. He is Past Grand of Kineo Lodge, I. O. O. F., and the Commander of Chandler Post, No. 154, G. A. R. The family attend the Congregational church, of which they are all active members.

On September 6, 1866, Mr. Lee was united at Sangerville in marriage with Eva A. Drake, who was born in Sangerville, Me., July 21, 1846, daughter of Deacon Kingman and Louisa (Parsons) Drake. Her father was born in Sherborn, Mass., April 30, 1789; and her mother in Eddington, Me., November 10, 1804. Kingman Drake passed the greater part of his life upon a farm in Sangerville, where he died May 14, 1871. Mrs. Drake died November 10, 1870. Mr. and Mrs. Lee have three children, namely: Lyman Kingman Lee, born April 25, 1867; Chauncey Cleveland, Jr., born March 2, 1868; and Hattie F., born January 29, 1872. Lyman K. Lee, a graduate of Bowdoin College and now the principal of Foxcroft Academy, in 1895 married Sarah A. French, of Foxcroft, who is a teacher of physical science in the same institution. Chauncey C. Lee, Jr., resides in Boston, where he is connected with the Hotel Warren as superintendent. Hattie F., who was educated in Foxcroft Academy and at

Kent's Hill Female Seminary, has followed teaching, and is now at home.

ALBERT M. PATTEE, the third Selectman of Mercer, Somerset County, and well known throughout this section of Somerset County as a prosperous farmer and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in this township, February 2, 1840. A son of Amos Pattee, he comes of pioneer ancestry. The paternal grandfather, Joseph Pattee, came from New Hampshire to Mercer nearly a century ago, and bought a small farm in the township. A few years later he purchased the present Pattee homestead, and there afterward carried on farming and lumbering until his death.

Amos Pattee, who was born on the Pattee homestead, May 21, 1810, spent his life chiefly engaged in agriculture. He succeeded to the home farm, and also owned land in other parts of Mercer and in Smithfield township. Much respected for his enterprise and sagacity, his death on March 8, 1865, was deemed a public loss. He married Miss Arvilla Swan, who was born in Smithfield, Somerset County, July 15, 1814. Her father, John Swan, who settled in Smithfield in 1812, was married successively to Lizzie Chapman, Mary Eames, and Nancy Eames. His last wife, surviving him, subsequently married John Copeland, who removed from Quincy, Mass., to Smithfield, Me., and there followed shoemaking for a livelihood. Amos and Arvilla Pattee had thirteen children, of whom the third-born died

in infancy; and Albert M., the fifth-born, is the sole survivor. The others were: Julia, Edwin, Amanda, Helen, Oscar, Frank, Frances, Frederick, Warren, Carrie, and Eugene. Oscar married Ellen Osborne.

In common with his brothers and sisters Albert M. Pattee received his education in the district schools. He assisted in the daily labors of the home farm until attaining his majority, and then worked for a season in a store in Mercer village. In November, 1861, he enlisted in the Sixth Maine Battery, under the command of Colonel McGilvary. With his comrades he afterward participated in many of the more important engagements of the war, including the battle of Cedar Mountain, the skirmish at Sulphur Springs, the second battle of Bull Run, and the battles at Chantilly, Antietam, Dunphee, and Gettysburg. On the expiration of his three years' term he re-enlisted at Richmond, Va., in January, 1864, and afterward served until the cessation of hostilities, being discharged in June, 1865, at Augusta, Me. After his return to Maine he spent a short time with his parents. Then he bought out a livery stable in Lewiston, and conducted it for two years. Subsequently he returned to the old homestead, of which he has since had charge, adding materially to the improvements previously made by his father. He now has a valuable property of three hundred acres, which he devotes to general farming, dairying, and stock-raising, being especially interested in the growing of sheep, of which he keeps a good grade. In politics he formerly voted with the Republicans. Of re-

cent years he has been identified with the Democratic party. He has served as Selectman of the township for two years.

On June 18, 1870, Mr. Pattee married Miss Ellen M. Thurston, who was born March 22, 1844, in Casco, Me. Her parents, Israel and Sallie (Edwards) Thurston, who resided on a farm in Casco during the first years of their married life, later removed to Poland, Me., where they both died, the mother in 1850 and the father in October, 1865. Mr. and Mrs. Pattee have five children, namely: Agnes, born May 23, 1871, who is the wife of Frank Caswell, a farmer in Mercer; Frank, born March 22, 1874, now assisting his father in the management of the Pattee homestead, who married Miss Lillian Tracy, of Mercer, and has one child, Beryl; Harry, born June 15, 1880, who died May 9, 1881; Angie, born June 20, 1882, who died December 31, 1882; and Rose, born October 13, 1884.

EDWARD A. MANSFIELD was for many years a leading business man of Jonesport, Washington County. Born in Portland, Me., August 6, 1817, he was a son of Henry and Thankful (Bibber) Mansfield, who were respectively natives of Salem, Mass., and Cumberland, Me. In early life he was engaged in running a trading schooner. He first came to Jonesport in 1834. Here he met and on the first day of October, 1836, married Lois Sawyer. Thereupon he settled in Jonesport and engaged in trade. He was also interested in ship-building and

repairing sailing craft. His energy and industry, coupled with his perseverance, brought him a large measure of success. In 1838 he built the house in which Mrs. Mansfield now lives. Thirty-three years after this house was opened by Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield as a hotel. Since then the Moosebec House has acquired a wide and well-merited popularity among persons who have frequented this region. Mr. Mansfield died here on November 27, 1894, having been in active business up to some seven or eight years previous to his death.

Mr. Mansfield accepted the religious views of the Latter Day Saints. He was a prominent Democrat in this district, serving his fellow-townsmen as Selectman, Town Treasurer, and in other offices. His wife, whose religious beliefs are identical with those held by him, had nine children. Of these, Daniel J., Levi E., Susan B., and Melissa A. are deceased. Those living are: Edward A., William F., Bion B., Charles H., and George F. Edward A. Mansfield is the well-known proprietor of the livery stable on Mansfield Street. His teams are to be found at the wharf on the arrival of every boat, whether from the East or the West. He gives special attention to providing convenient arrangements for commercial travellers and for the transportation of their baggage, and furnishes teams to the general public either with or without drivers. Bion B. Mansfield is a leading Jonesport merchant. Charles H. is in the furniture, carpet, and lumber trade here; and George F. is Deputy Collector of the port.

William F. Mansfield carries on an exten-

sive trade in general merchandise, using the stand where his father established business so many years ago as a warehouse. He was born in Jonesport on December 10, 1845, and was educated in the town schools here. As was natural, he began working in and about his father's store when a lad, gradually acquiring a thorough understanding of business. This prepared him for the successful management of his own business, which he started in 1867 in a small way. Since then he has gradually increased the scope of his operations until at the present time he carries a very large stock of general merchandise, and is one of the most prominent merchants in the town. He is also interested somewhat in the shipping and granite business. In 1876 he was married to Laura Foster, who was born in Centreville, Me., daughter of Henry Foster. She has borne him three children; namely, Henry A., Levi E., and Irving J. He has held the office of Selectman and minor offices in the town, and fraternally is a member of Jonesport Lodge, No. 188, F. & A. M., and of the Knights Templar at Machias.

JOEL H. DOYEN, who is successfully engaged in agriculture on the old Doyen homestead in Smithfield, Somerset County, was born in this town, July 4, 1842, son of the late Joel Doyen. The father, born and brought up in Avon, Me., followed the occupation of farmer in Stark and afterward on the present homestead property in Smithfield, on which, after purchasing it, he resided

until his death in 1877. He married Mrs. Mahala Leabers Sawyer, of Stark, the widow of Otis Sawyer, Sr., who died February 12, 1826, leaving her with five children — Henry, Louisa, Hannah, Alden, and Otis. By Joel Doyen she had five children, namely: Orin J., who successively married Miss S. Holmes and Miss Georgia Stevens, is the agent for a wholesale hardware house, and lives in Corinna, Me.; Albert, who lives with his brother, Joel H.; Mercy, who died February 6, 1876, aged forty-two, and was the wife of Orlando W. Holmes, of Oakland, Me.; Selden J., now a farmer in Ludden, N. Dak., who married Ella McIntire, of Norridgewock, Me.; and Joel H., the subject of this biography.

Joel H. Doyen remained on the home farm until after the death of his father, attending to its management and caring for his parents in their last days. He subsequently worked in a straw shop at Westboro, Mass., for three years and in the blocking-room of a straw factory in Medfield, Mass., for six years. During the next three years he worked again in a Westboro shop, after which he spent eight years as foreman of the blocking-room of August Lewis & Co. in New York City. From New York he returned to the old Doyen homestead in Smithfield, where he has since been engaged in general farming and dairying. His farm contains sixty acres of land, well adapted for cereals and grazing, having new buildings and all the conveniences for profitably carrying on agriculture.

Politically, Mr. Doyen is a strong Republican. He belongs to Lebanon Lodge, No.

116, F. & A. M., of Norridgewock, Me. He was first married October 12, 1868, to Miss Clara Brock, who was born in Canaan, Me. Her parents, William and Elizabeth Brock, died in Canaan. She died May 30, 1882, leaving one child, Millard E., born May 28, 1876, who is now engaged in manufacturing ladies' straw hats in New York City. On October 28, 1893, Mr. Doyen contracted his second marriage with Mrs. Mary Brannen Many, a daughter of the late Dr. Henry and Margaret Brannen, of New York City.

JOSEPH G. WALKER, a prosperous woollen manufacturer in Brooksville, Hancock County, son of Joseph and Susan (Babson) Walker, was born in this town, January 19, 1828. The grandfather was John Walker, of Wolverhampton, England, who, with his two brothers, came to America with the British troops under General Burgoyne. Being in sympathy with the colonists, he deserted for the purpose, it is said, of joining the Continental army; and after the declaration of peace he became a pioneer of Brooksville. A log house was his dwelling until sufficient land was cleared for the erection of a frame house, and he succeeded in improving a good farm. Later he bought of John Lee a saw and grist mill, which stood upon the site of the woollen-mill now owned by his grandson; and he carried on business here for the rest of his life. He was actively concerned in town affairs, serving in some of the important offices; and he lived to be seventy-



JOSEPH G. WALKER.

four years old. The maiden name of his wife was Emma Roundy. They reared six sons and three daughters; namely, John, William, David, Robert, Joseph, Benjamin, Emma, Betsey, and Sally. John and William were lost at sea; David died at seventy-six; Robert, at sixty-four; and Benjamin, at eighty-one. David, Robert, Joseph, and Benjamin Walker were among the first to engage in the woollen manufacturing business in this section. For years they conducted the mill which is still operated by a member of the family. Joseph Walker, who was born in Brooksville, retained an active interest in the business until 1876. He married Susan Babson, and reared two children: Joseph G., the subject of this sketch; and Emma, who married George Richardson, and has an only daughter, Maria, now residing in Washington, D.C.

After completing his studies in the schools of his native town Joseph G. Walker worked in the mill for four years, and then engaged in farming. In 1865 he purchased a part of his father's interest in the business, and in the following year the portion of the property owned by the heirs of David and Benjamin Walker. Since his father's withdrawal in 1876, he has carried on the business alone. He is quite extensively engaged in the manufacture of satinets, blankets, and yarns, and also does custom carding. Mr. Walker married Sarah J. Atherton, a daughter of John Atherton, of Blue Hill, Me., and has three children — Abbie S., Joseph W., and Emma J. Walker. Abbie S. married Rev. Daniel Staver, of Dayton, Ohio, and died December

23, 1897, in Oregon, where they were living at that time; Joseph W. Walker is in the employ of the United States government at Portsmouth, N.H.; and Emma resides at home.

Mr. Walker cast his first Presidential vote for Winfield Scott in 1852, and has acted with the Republican party since its formation. He has been a County Commissioner for six years and Deputy Sheriff for a number of years. First appointed Postmaster by President R. B. Hayes, he was successively reappointed by President Harrison and President McKinley. His mill, one of the most important factories in Brooksville, is a great benefit to the community; and its proprietor is highly esteemed by his fellow-townsmen for his business ability and progressive tendencies. He is a member of the Congregational church.

HENRY S. BOYNTON, one of the prosperous merchants of Lamoine, Hancock County, was born September 21, 1820, in Wiscasset, Me. His father, William Boynton, a native of Gilmanton, N.H., removed to Wiscasset when a young man, and was there Deputy Sheriff for a long time and afterward acting High Sheriff for a number of years. William subsequently lived for a time in Lamoine and then successively in Bangor and Chicago, remaining in the latter place until his death, at the age of seventy-nine years. He married Mary Huckins, who bore him the following children: William A., Elizabeth, and Thomas, deceased; Warren,

who lives in Cambridge, Mass.; Ann, deceased; Henry S., the subject of this sketch; Alonzo K. and George, who make their homes in the West; and Hannab, also deceased.

Henry S. Boynton received the larger part of his education in the schools of Bangor. At the age of thirteen he began his mercantile career in that city as a boy-of-all-work in the store of C. & E. D. Godfrey, with whom he remained two years. He was subsequently employed as a clerk in different stores, including those of S. G. Turner and Young & Harri-man, with whom he remained two or three years, and Fogg & Hersey, in whose employ-ment he spent about the same number of months. Having acquired a practical knowl-edge of business, he then opened a store, in partnership with his brother Thomas, in Ban-gor, where he was profitably engaged in buying and selling goods for two years. In 1845 he came to Lamoine Point, then called Trenton, and, establishing himself as a merchant, has since built up an extensive trade. For a long time he carried on a lucrative business as a ship-chandler, making a specialty of fitting out fishing-vessels; but in recent years he has carried a complete stock of general merchan-dise. In politics he was formerly a Whig, and his first Presidential vote was cast in 1844 for Henry Clay. Since the formation of the Republican party he has been an earnest ad-vocate of its principles. For eight years he served as Selectman of Trenton, being the chairman of the board for seven years of the period.

In 1843 Mr. Boynton married Matilda

Hodgkins, a daughter of Nathan Hodgkins. She died in January, 1895, leaving six chil-dren; namely, Frederic H., Nathan H., Henry, Ellen A., Abbie D., and Agnes M. Frederic H. married Emma Davis, of Cam-bridge, Mass., and has two children — Grace and Frank. Nathan H. married Lizzie Bunker, who has borne him five children — Earl, Hattie, Sadie, Chester, and Russell. Henry married Ida White, of Sullivan, and has one child, Henry S. Ellen A. is the wife of Winfield S. Hodgkins, of Lamoine, and has five children — Raymond, Addie, Maynard, Ruby, and Morris. Abbie D. is the wife of William F. Hutchins, of Lamoine, and has one child, Alice G. Agnes M. lives with her father.

JOSEPH DENNEN, the oldest and one of the most honored residents of Shir-ley, was born in Poland, Androscoggin County, Me., March 17, 1813. He is a son of Simeon and Rebecca (Chickering) Dennen. Simeon Dennen, who was born in Cumberland (now Androscoggin) County, was a farmer. After spending many years of his life in Po-land, he settled in Shirley in 1828, being the fourth settler in the town district. In coming to the town he followed a trail marked by spotted trees, there being no roads within a circuit of ten miles. He located on land now occupied by his son Joseph, and built a log cabin to shelter his family, who came with him. His first clearings were made where Mr. Dennen's buildings now stand. A hard-working pioneer, he had little time for rest or

recreation. In politics he was a Democrat, in religious belief a Methodist. He died on the home farm in December, 1848. He was a soldier in the War of 1812. His wife, a native of Andover, Mass., died in 1860. They had a family of twelve children; namely, Simon, Peter, Frederick, John, Levi, Lyford, Eleanor, Rebecca (who died in childhood), Lydia, Joseph, Louisa, and Lois F. Besides Joseph, Otis H., residing in Washington State, is the only other survivor.

Joseph Dennen was fifteen years of age when his parents moved to Shirley. He acquired his education in the schools of Poland, there being no schools in Shirley at that time. From an early age he assisted his father in clearing the land, which, comprising two hundred acres, supplied the family with plenty of work. When his parents grew old and feeble, he was their stay and support. He was absent from this farm but one year before he finally parted with it, and he practically paid for the place. Succeeding his father, he continued to make improvements, and the present buildings were erected by him. He carried grist and potatoes to Monson in the early days, and he helped to spot the trees along the path from his house to Greenville. An active, industrious, and honest man, he enjoys the respect of his townsmen, for whom he has performed much important business. He has settled a number of estates and acted as attorney in different cases, always proving worthy of his trust. In business matters he was very successful.

On July 1, 1863, he was married to Eliza-

beth A., daughter of Jonathan and Sarah (Lowell) Brown. She was born in Farmington, Franklin County, Me., November 15, 1830. Jonathan Brown, born in Farmington, May 10, 1806, who had followed farming in Abbot, Me., for years, went to California in search of gold, and died there on March 10, 1877. His wife, who was born in Farmington, January 10, 1805, died in Shirley, June 3, 1889. Mr. Dennen has no children of his own. He has been a member of the Democratic party for a great many years; has served for several terms as Selectman; was Town Treasurer for over twenty-two years in succession; and has been Collector, Constable, Town Agent, and a member of the Board of Health. He was recently urged to accept town office again, but thought that he had done his part. Mrs. Dennen is a most estimable lady. No couple in Piscataquis County is more highly honored than Mr. and Mrs. Dennen. The landlord of the famous Kineo Hotel is Mr. Dennen's nephew, and his wife is a sister of Mrs. Dennen. On December 17, 1897, Mr. Dennen disposed of the old farm on which he had resided for seventy years. Both he and his wife have since retired from active life, and are spending their time at the noted Mount Kineo.

ABEL W. ROWELL, a retired farmer of Solon and the chairman of Solon's Board of Selectmen, was born in this town, March 12, 1832, son of Frederick and Sophia (Wood) Rowell. The grandfather, Zebedee Rowell, came here with his family

from Dracut, Mass., about the year 1802, and occupied the place now known as the Norton farm for eight years. Then he went to Rowell Mountain, where he resided until his death, which occurred February 8, 1833. He was a soldier under General Stark in the Revolutionary War. Nine children were reared by him, namely: Frederick, George, David, Zebedee, Frank, and Daniel C., all of whom lived in Solon; Charles, who settled in Brighton, Me.; Elbridge, who located in Madison, Me.; and Elizabeth, who married Barnet Eaton. Of these none are living. All the sons except Daniel became heads of large families, and their descendants are distributed throughout the country.

Frederick Rowell, born in Dracut in 1801, was reared in Solon. He tilled the soil of the homestead farm during his active years, was the chairman of the Board of Selectmen for some time, and died February 12, 1853. Sophia, his wife, who was a native of Norridgewock, Me., became the mother of six children: Sybil S., who died in 1869; Abel W., the subject of this sketch; Frederick, who died in 1860; Zebedee, who died in California in 1864; Caroline, now the wife of Amos Jerald, of Fairfield; and Helen S., who married Albert Harbill, neither of whom is living. Sybil S. was the wife of Sextus Hobart, who is also deceased; and Frederick's wife, whose maiden name was Miss Wilson, died some time ago. The mother subsequently married William Burgess, of Fairfield, and died November 30, 1875.

Abel W. Rowell acquired his education in

a common school and an academy. At the age of nineteen he went to California, where he was engaged in mining and prospecting for two years. Then he returned to Solon, and resided at the homestead until 1859, when he again went to the Pacific coast, his second visit lasting three years. After this trip he resumed the cultivation of the home farm, and was extensively engaged in general farming, stock-raising, and butchering. In 1888 he sold his property, and he has since occupied a comfortable residence in the village. He is now engaged in looking after his real estate interests and attending to the duties of chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Deputy Sheriff, and of some minor offices. In politics he is a Democrat.

On March 26, 1854, Mr. Rowell first married Almeda W. Burns, of Madison, a daughter of Samuel and Annie (Weston) Burns, both of whom are now deceased. The father was a farmer and lumberman. Mrs. Almeda W. Rowell died March 21, 1882, leaving five children, namely: Ella F., who married O. A. Corson, and resides in Pasadena, Cal.; Fred, who died in 1892; Annie, who married Daniel Jewett, of Solon, and is no longer living; Herbert B., who was educated at the Maine State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, and is now in business in Minneapolis, Minn.; and Cady, born in 1875, who now resides in Auburn, Me. A second marriage on January 1, 1887, united Mr. Rowell to his present wife, who was Mrs. Lydia Bassett McFarland, widow of Edward McFarland, late of Damariscotta, Me. She was born in Solon,

daughter of Alanson Bassett, a native of Moscow, Me. Mr. Rowell has been a member of Northern Star Lodge, F. & A. M., since 1853, and is widely and favorably known throughout this section as a citizen of ability and sterling character. Both he and Mrs. Rowell attend the Congregational church.

HIRAM BLANCHARD, of Eastport, Washington County, a manufacturer of high-grade fertilizers and a dealer in fish pomace and fertilizer material, was born in Charlotte, this county, on January 11, 1825, his parents being David and Saviah (Bennett) Blanchard. The paternal grandfather, Stephen Blanchard, who was a hatter by trade, was born in Cambridge, Mass., July 1, 1763. He removed from that town to Hopkinton, N. H., where he afterward worked at his trade, and died on March 16, 1829. His wife's maiden name was Elizabeth Esterbrook.

David Blanchard, above named, born at Hopkinton, N. H., on February 14, 1797, died in Charlotte on January 11, 1868, having removed to the last named place in 1829. He owned and operated a farm, and also carried on shoemaking. A man of remarkable industry, he guided his life by the strictest principles of honor and integrity. Although outside the pale of any church and a well-known free-thinker, the whole trend of his life supported morality in every form and exerted a strong influence against the use of tobacco and spirituous liquors. In politics he was successively a Whig, Free Soiler, and a Republi-

can. A leading man in the town of Charlotte, he served in many local offices. His wife, Saviah, died in the State of Minnesota at the advanced age of ninety-three years. Of their ten children, five are living, namely: Hiram, the subject of this sketch; Charles B., who resides in Milltown, Me.; Rufus, who resides in the State of Washington; Frederick, who resides in Minnesota; and Saviah, who is the wife of Henry A. Jackman, and also resides in Minnesota. The others were: Isaac G., David, Stephen, Walter, and Lucy.

Hiram Blanchard's boyhood was passed in his native town, where he attended the public schools. At the age of sixteen he began working for himself, his wages being twelve dollars per month. He learned the painter's and finisher's trade, and for the ten succeeding years worked at it as a journeyman. He then engaged in lumbering at Charlotte and later at Machias. Subsequently he made bricks at Pembroke, and also owned and conducted lumber-mills at Machias. Since coming to Eastport in 1873, he has been interested in various enterprises, including lumbering, brick-making, saw and grist milling, and in the industries carried on in the carding-mills, box factory, and sardine factories. His business was conducted under the name of H. Blanchard & Sons. After spending twenty years actively engaged in the various ways mentioned, he engaged in his present business in 1897, leaving the other interests to the care of his sons, who form the Blanchard Manufacturing Canning Company.

All the ground fertilizers put up in Mr.

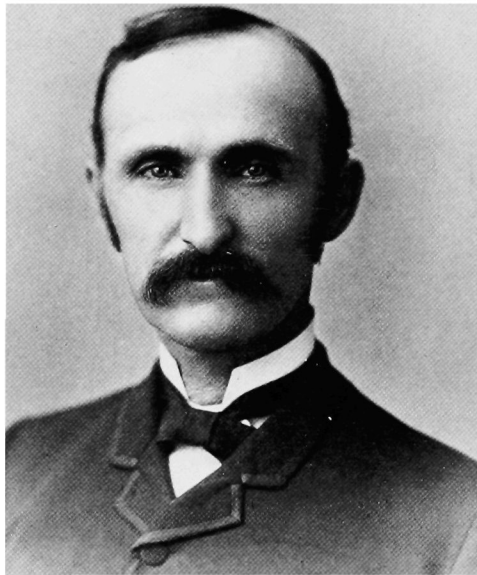
Blanchard's establishment are mixed and ground in gypsum, which, in itself, is considered a valuable fertilizer, especially for sandy soils. This substance not only retains the ammonia contained in the fertilizers, but draws ammonia from the soil and the atmosphere, and holds it until the rain liberates it for the food of the plants. On this account it is an almost indispensable element in soil fertilizers that are to be used on lands subject to drought, like most of those in Florida, as it carries the plants safely through the dry season. Mr. Blanchard has received many testimonials, alike from agriculturists in the North and in the South, who have employed his fertilizers and appreciate their value. The entire quantity of fertilizers that is shipped from his plant at Prince's Cove, amounting to about one thousand tons annually, contains no constituent that is not valuable. It is the proprietor's aim to put on the market only the best possible product. He is also interested in the fish and oil business, and owns some sixteen tenements.

In 1849 Mr. Blanchard was married to Susan Lincoln, who was born in Charlotte, Me., March 16, 1832, daughter of William Lincoln. His children were: Ambrose L., Hiram, Jr., Walter E., Isabella, Susan, Myra, Jennie N., Clara, and Saviah. Of these, the last named died at the age of two years. Ambrose L. and Hiram, Jr., are in the sardine canning business in this city, being among the leading men in this, Eastport's leading industry. Walter E. is a clerk for his father. Isabella married E. P. Damon, of this place.

Myra and Jennie, who both reside here, are respectively the wives of George B. Hall and Byron Carson. Susan and Clara Blanchard reside with their parents. Mr. Blanchard, Sr., is not connected with any church organization. In politics he is a Republican. He was a Selectman in Eastport before the incorporation of the city, and in 1880, 1881, 1882, and 1883 he was in the legislature. His life has been one of active industry; and he is one of the best known men in Eastport, while his sons are among the largest tax-payers here.

CHARLES CAYFORD, of Cornville, a prominent farmer and breeder of trotting stock, son of Benjamin E. Cayford, was born here, December 14, 1828. He is of good old English ancestry, his grandparents, John and Judith Cayford, having emigrated from England to America in the early part of the present century. They located first on a farm in Skowhegan, Me., where the grandfather was engaged as a farmer and drover and also for some years as a minister of one of the local churches. After the death of his wife he removed to a small town in Florida, of which he was the Postmaster until his demise at an advanced age.

Benjamin E. Cayford and his only brother, John Everett Cayford, spent their lives in Skowhegan, where they were successfully employed as tillers of the soil. Benjamin married Sophronia White, of Skowhegan, and by her became the father of eight children, of whom one died in infancy. The others were:



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Benjamin, who was drowned in the Kennebec River in 1849; Charles, the subject of this biography; Mary, the widow of John McLaughlin, now living at Sioux Falls, S. Dak.; George, deceased, who was a farmer in Cornville; Elizabeth, who died at the age of nineteen years; Sophronia, who died at an early age; and Laura, who resides with her sister, Mrs. McLaughlin at Sioux Falls. Neither of the parents is living, the father having passed to eternity in 1853 and the mother in 1880.

Charles Cayford spent his early life on the parental homestead, living there until lured to the Pacific coast by the example of the gold seekers that were then flocking to California. After mining in that State for three years, he returned in 1852 to Cornville, and thereafter, until his marriage, assisted in the care of the home property. In 1854 he purchased of the heirs of his father's estate the old Hilton farm, on which he has since lived. He has made many improvements on the estate, including the erection of buildings suitable for farm purposes, and is carrying on an extensive and lucrative business as general farmer. He raises a good deal of stock, making a specialty of trotting horses, for which he is famed throughout this section of the State. In politics he is an uncompromising Republican, and he has been on the Board of Selectmen of Cornville two years.

Mr. Cayford was married August 22, 1854, to Miss Mary French, who was born in Solon, Me., May 27, 1829. Her father, Moses French, born in old Salisbury, Me., after his marriage with Sarah Patten, of Norridgewock,

settled on a farm in Solon, where he carried on farming, and was also a local preacher of the Methodist Episcopal church for many years. Both Mr. and Mrs. French died in Solon, he at the age of sixty-nine years and she when sixty-four years old. Mr. and Mrs. Cayford have nine children, namely: Charles, who died at the age of twelve years; Benjamin F., a blacksmith in Isadora, Mo., who married Ella Bristol; Mabel, who is the wife of Alonzo Smith; Caroline, who is the matron of a hospital for children in Boston; Howard, a farmer in Campville, Minn., who married Alice Palmer; Luther, who is engaged in farming in Isadora, Mo.; Morris, who lives at home; Mamie, Luther's twin sister, who is in the training school of a Boston hospital; and Georgia, who died at the age of eleven years. Mrs. Cayford, still adhering to the religious belief in which she was reared, is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Skowhegan.

ALBERT W. MILLER, the well-known druggist and apothecary of Hartland, Somerset County, was born in Palmyra, Me., December 30, 1835, son of Benjamin and Jane (Davis) Miller. The father, a native of Lincolnville, Me., after settling in Palmyra, was engaged in farming until 1852, when he went to California, remaining there until 1855. He later made another visit to California for the benefit of his health, and took up a tract of land, but eventually returned to Maine, and passed the

rest of his life in St. Albans. Jane, his wife, who is a native of Palmyra, became the mother of eleven children, four of whom are living, namely: Albert W., the subject of this sketch; Frank, who married Loantha Morrill, and is a farmer in Palmyra; Maria, the wife of Charles Hawes; and Annette, who is also married. The others were: Israel, who married Loanna Prescott, was a jeweller, and died in Arizona at the age of fifty-two years; Rozina, who died at the age of nine years; Nehemiah, who died at twenty-one; Uriah; Diantha; Sarah; and Loanna. The mother is still living, and resides in St. Albans. She is now eighty-eight years of age.

Albert W. Miller acquired a good education in Hartland and at Corinna Academy. For a time after the completion of his studies he worked upon a farm, was employed as a clerk for ten years, and taught school in St. Albans, Palmyra, and Dixmont for several winter terms. In 1865, having previously acquired his knowledge of the drug business in Newport and Bangor, he established the first regular drug store in Hartland. He had spent nineteen years in his original location when in 1884 he moved to the spacious store he now occupies. He carries a large stock, including drugs, chemicals, patent medicines, fancy goods, stationery, and paints and oils. He is one of the stirring business men of this town. In politics he is a Democrat, and he served the town in the capacities of a member of the School Board and Supervisor of Schools for a number of years, Selectman for twelve years, Town Clerk for eleven years, and Post-

master for eight years. He is now Trial Justice.

Mr. Miller married Myra E. Haskell, who was born in Palmyra, daughter of the late Aretus Haskell, also a native of Palmyra. He has no children. He is a member of Hartland Lodge, No. 101, I. O. O. F.; of Twilight Lodge, Daughters of Rebecca; and of the encampment in Pittsfield. Religious services are attended by him at the Methodist Episcopal church.

GEORGE E. ROSS, a retired farmer of Caribou, Aroostook County, was born in Bowdoin, Me., January 31, 1825, son of Thomas and Mary (Eye) Ross. The grandfather, Job Ross, who was a Scotch Highlander and a Drum Major in the British army, brought his family to America and engaged in mercantile pursuits. Thomas Ross, who was born in Windsor, N.B., followed the shoemaker's trade in Bowdoin, and died there about the year 1840. He married Mary Eye, a native of Holland, who became by him the mother of eight children, namely: John and Ann, who are no longer living; Thomas, Job, and Mary; George, who died in infancy; George E.; and Robert Ross. The mother's death occurred in Bowdoin at about the same time as that of her husband.

Thrown upon his own resources at the age of fifteen by the death of his parents, George E. Ross worked as a farm assistant until twenty-one. Going then to Boston, he was for the next few years employed in a box fac-

tory and planing-mill and on a farm. After this he learned the carpenter's trade, and, locating in Farmingdale, Me., he there worked at house and ship carpentering for the ensuing six years. In 1861 he joined a party of prospectors, with whom he came on foot to Aroostook County, arriving in Caribou after a long and tedious tramp. Then, after wandering through the woods for two weeks in search of a suitable place on which to settle, he purchased a tract of two hundred and fifty acres in Woodland township, made a small clearing, and built a log house. Here he and his family took up their residence. By degrees he cleared a farm of seventy-five acres, erected a frame house, and tilled the soil industriously for thirty-two years. At the expiration of that time he sold the farm, and since 1894 has resided in Caribou village. Besides working at his trade intermittently since coming to Aroostook, he built the house he now occupies and the one adjoining. Through his persevering industry he is now in comfortable circumstances.

On March 18, 1852, Mr. Ross married Lucy J. Boynton, a native of Jefferson, Me., born June 20, 1832. Her parents, James and Elizabeth (Trask) Boynton, were respectively natives of Jefferson and Camden, Me. Her grandfather, Captain David Boynton, was a soldier and a farmer. His father, also named David Boynton, who was an Englishman and a representative of a wealthy family, emigrated with a brother, and settled in Rowley, Mass., parting thereby with his brother, who went West. Mr. and Mrs. Ross have had eight

children, namely: Albert E., who married Lorella Malcolm, and is a farmer in Berwick, Me.; George Elmer, who married Mary Wormlight, of Harmony, Me., and resides in Monrovia, Los Angeles County, Cal., where he has a cattle ranch and a fruit farm; Emma J., who married James Dealy, a foreman in Moore & Co.'s machine shop, Hartland, Me., and has eight children — Zetta, Catherine, Mabel Lucy, Florence, Emma, Clara, Charles, and James; William Henry Ross, who has a cattle ranch in the State of Washington; Charles F., who married Mrs. Elva Roberts, and is a furniture dealer in Caribou; Abraham Lincoln, an employee on the Union Pacific Railroad; Mary, who died at the age of sixteen years; and Eva L., who was for many years a successful teacher in the Caribou public schools, and is now the wife of Eben Ellsworth Welts, of Caribou. In politics Mr. Ross is a Republican. He is connected with the Patrons of Husbandry and the Sons of Temperance, and is an earnest advocate of total abstinence. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

CAPTAIN CHARLES H. PERKINS,
 the manager of the Co-operative
 Grange Store at North Brooksville,
 Hancock County, and an ex-member of the
 legislature, was born in this town, January 12,
 1840, son of Jeremiah and Prudence (Blodgett)
 Perkins. The first of the family to settle here
 was Amos Perkins, the Captain's grandfather,
 a native of York, Me., who cleared a good

farm from the wilderness in the western part of the town, and resided there for the rest of his life. Besides developing the agricultural resources of the locality, he was useful to the community in some of the town offices, and he lived to be seventy-five years old. The maiden name of his wife was Ruth Wardwell.

Jeremiah Perkins, who was a lifelong resident of Brooksville, for many years followed the trades of a tanner and shoemaker. His last days were spent upon a farm in North Brooksville, and his death occurred at about the same age as that of his father. Prudence, his wife, who was a daughter of Captain John K. and Jane (Avery) Blodgett, became the mother of ten children. Of these, six are living; namely, John K., Charles H., William N., Deborah A., Hannah M., and Mary J. The others were: Amos J., George O., Eben F., and Mercy H. John K. Perkins is a retired sea captain, residing in New York State. George O. and Amos J. were lost at sea, the former in 1854 and the latter in 1891. Eben F. Perkins enlisted in Company B, Second Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, and was killed at the battle of Bull Run. William N., who resides at the old homestead, married Ursula Grindle, and has a large family. Hannah M. is the wife of Kenney Grindle, and resides in Brooksville. Mary J. married Charles Nash, and resides in Lynn, Mass.

After leaving the district schools when twelve years old, Charles H. Perkins began to follow the sea, and became master of a vessel at the age of nineteen. He suffered shipwreck in 1867, the disaster being attended

with no loss of life, however. He had spent some twenty-eight years in seafaring when he bought a farm and engaged in its cultivation. This was his occupation until 1887, since which time he has been in charge of the Co-operative Grange Store in North Brooksville.

Captain Perkins has been twice married, first to Ruth Grindle, of Sedgwick, Me. The maiden name of his present wife was Hannah Grindle. His children by the first wife were: May, Cora A., Izetta B., Charles M., Emma F., Forrest H., Harvey, Fred J., Morris W., and Eliza A. May married Edgar Roberts, and has one daughter, Bernice. Cora A. died at the age of twenty-three years, and Izetta B. at that of twenty-two. Charles M. Perkins, who is the principal of the high school at Presque Isle, Me., married Alice Benson, and has two children—Newman and an infant. Emma F. died at the age of nineteen. Forrest H. is teaching school in Sherman, Aroostook County. Harvey married Lila Clauson, and has two children—Henry and an infant. Fred J. and Morris W. are residing at home, and Eliza A. is attending school. The Captain cast his first Presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln in 1864, and has since supported the Republican party. The party elected him to the State legislature in 1885. He has served with ability as chairman of the Board of Selectmen for thirteen years and as Collector for one year. In addition to his membership in the Masonic order and the Patrons of Husbandry, he is connected with the local grange, of which he was the Master for eight years.

LEANDER F. BUTLER, a practical and progressive farmer of Starks township, Somerset County, Me., was born March 13, 1837, in New Vineyard, Me., the son of Josiah Butler. His paternal grandfather, Henry Butler, was born and reared on the island of Martha's Vineyard, but when in the prime of early manhood he removed to Franklin County, Maine, where he settled as a pioneer farmer, and took as a life companion Miss Lucinda Daggett, a buxom lassie that proved herself a worthy helpmate.

Josiah Butler was born August 7, 1807, at the ancestral homestead at New Vineyard, Franklin County, where he resided until 1839. Removing then to Forks plantation, Somerset County, for three years he drove a stage, carrying the United States mail from Anson, Me., to the Canada line. The following eight years he was a resident of Norridgewock. In 1850 he purchased the farm on which his son Leander F. is now living, and here he engaged in tilling the soil until his death, in September, 1889. His wife, whose maiden name was Lucy J. Waugh, was born July 25, 1810, in Starks, a daughter of Elijah and Sophia (Farrand) Waugh, well-known members of the farming community. Her maternal grandfather, William Farrand, was a soldier of the Revolution. He enlisted at Bennington, Vt., and served a part of the time under Captain Saxon and Colonel Warner. In 1818 he was living at New Vineyard, and at that time was granted a pension for his services in the war for American independence. Active for her age, being now in her eighty-ninth year,

Mrs. Lucy J. Butler makes her home with her son, the subject of this sketch. She has one daughter living, named Sophia, and has been bereft of two — Jane and Helen. Sophia, born in 1844, is the wife of Edwin N. Hall, a retired trader of Norridgewock, Me. Jane was born in 1850, and died in January, 1888. Helen, born in 1852, died in September, 1885. She was the wife of Herbert E. Hale, who is now one of the Selectmen of Norridgewock.

Leander F. Butler completed his education at the high school, and has always continued his residence on the home farm, having had its entire management since the death of his late father. He has one hundred and sixty acres of land, which he and his father partly cleared, and on which they made many improvements of a high order, including the erection of new buildings. Mr. Butler has been quite successful in his labors, notwithstanding that he was unfortunate enough in 1882 to be entirely burned out, his loss by the fire being estimated at two thousand seven hundred dollars. He conducts a good business in general farming and stock-raising, but pays especial attention to his dairy. Among the cereals that he cultivates is sweet corn, of which he has large crops each season.

On December 9, 1868, Mr. Butler was united in marriage with Miss Melvina S. Holt, who was born in Oakland, Kennebec County, Me., October 17, 1839, a daughter of Theodore and Betsey (Corson) Holt, the former a native of Canaan, Somerset County, and the latter of Oakland. Mr. Holt worked at the mason's trade in conjunction with farming

until his death in 1848. Mrs. Holt now lives in Haverhill, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Butler have had three children, namely: Blanche M., born January 26, 1870, who died April 24, 1894; H. Kate, born October 14, 1871, for some time a teacher in the public schools of Everett, Mass.; and Bessie B., who was born September 27, 1874, and died December 19, 1893. H. Kate Butler was married June 30, 1898, to Charles W. Hilton, son of B. F. Hilton, of Starks. They reside in Starks, Mr. Hilton being an importer and breeder of Oxford Down sheep. Mr. Butler is now a Democrat in politics, although he formerly voted the Republican ticket. He is a member of Quinnebassett Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 109, of Norridgewock; and of the local grange, No. 35, of Starks.

ALLEN H. CHAMBERLAIN, M.D., a rising physician of Foxcroft, was born in this town, December 5, 1861, son of Chester and Minerva B. (Spaulding) Chamberlain. His great-grandparents were Eliakim and Anna (Stowe) Chamberlain, of Charlton, Mass., an account of whom will be found in the biography of Calvin Chamberlain. Nathaniel Chamberlain, the grandfather, who was a native of Charlton, settled in Dover about the year 1807.

Chester Chamberlain, Dr. Chamberlain's father, was born in Dover in 1814. When a young man he learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for several years, and was engaged in the construction of many wooden

bridges in this section. Later he became a member of the firm of Chandler, Brown & Co., which conducted a foundry in Foxcroft for a number of years, having an extensive business. He served as a member of the Board of Selectmen, represented this district in the legislature, and was a stirring business man and public-spirited citizen. In politics he supported the Republican party, and in religious belief he was a Universalist. He died January 7, 1865. The first of his two marriages was contracted with Laura A. Warren, who died in 1857. By that union there were two sons: Otis C., now deceased, who served as a soldier in the Civil War; and Mellen B. Chamberlain, who died at the age of sixteen years.

Minerva B. Spaulding Chamberlain, the second wife, who was born in Dover in 1834, resides in Foxcroft. She became the mother of one son, Allen H., the subject of this sketch.

Allen H. Chamberlain attended the Foxcroft Academy, the Latin School in Lewiston, Me., and Phillips Exeter Academy. Afterward he graduated from Harvard University, class of 1885, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, studied medicine at the Harvard Medical School until 1888, and then spent two years at the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston. Locating for practice in Kansas City, Mo., he spent one year there. Returning to Foxcroft in 1891, he has remained here since, acquiring a large and lucrative practice. The Doctor is a member of the Maine Medical Association. He was appointed United States Pension Examiner by

President Cleveland. In politics he acts with the Democratic party. He attends the Unitarian church.

MARK EMERY, of the well-known firm of Mark Emery & Son, wholesale and retail merchants at North Anson, Me., was born in the town of Anson, April 14, 1831, son of Mark, Sr., and Olive (Thurell) Emery. His parents were both natives of Berwick, Me., and lived there until after marriage. His father, said to have been a descendant of Anthony Emery, who arrived at Newbury, Mass., in 1635 and later removed to Kittery, Me., was born March 16, 1801, and his mother June 17, 1804.

Mark Emery, Sr., during his entire life was engaged as a tiller of the soil, working industriously to support himself and family. In 1856, after an extended residence in Anson, he bought a small fruit farm in the town of Industry, Franklin County, this State, whither he removed, and there passed his remaining earthly years, dying March 30, 1883. While living in Anson he had an extensive acquaintance throughout this part of Somerset County, and was quite active in local public affairs, holding many of the town offices, including that of Selectman. Eight children were reared by him and his wife, Olive, namely: Hannah T., widow of the late H. Thomas, now living in Farmington, Me.; Hiram T., an extensive farmer and sheep breeder in Anson, who married first Lovisa Bunker and after her death Roxinda Mitchell; Walter B.,

who was born November 23, 1829, and died April 7, 1855; Mark, the special subject of this sketch; Mary J., wife of William Luce, a farmer in Lincoln, Cal.; James M., a merchant in Madison, Me., who married Rebecca Gould; Amanda S., who was born April 18, 1838, and died December 10, 1867; and Olive T. (named for her mother), born November 27, 1842, died October 18, 1871. Mrs. Olive Emery, the mother, died January 13, 1891.

Mark Emery had but limited opportunities for obtaining an education, his school life being confined to a few terms within the first eleven years of his existence. From that time until he was nineteen years old he worked for the neighboring farmers. He then learned the shoemaker's trade, at which he was employed in New Portland for several years. In 1854 he followed the tide of emigration westward, going to Calaveras County, California, where he followed mining for a time, and afterward engaged in lumbering two and one-half years. Returning then to New Portland, Me., Mr. Emery established himself first in the shoe trade and later in the hardware business, remaining there until 1862. On disposing of his interests in that locality he came to North Anson, and, building a store in the village, carried on a successful trade in hardware for some time. Selling out at an advantage, he next embarked in the grocery business; and when the railway was completed in this town he built a store near the station, and, establishing the firm of Pollard, Emery & Co., built up a large local trade. Changes have been made in the firm since that time,

the former senior and junior members having retired, and Mr. Emery, now the senior member, having admitted into partnership his son, the firm name being Mark Emery & Son. In 1881 he erected his present commodious store, in which he is doing a large wholesale and retail business in feed, grain, and general merchandise, keeping on hand a complete stock of all goods demanded by the country trade. He is a wide-awake, progressive man, quick to take advantage of all favorable opportunities for advancing his financial interests. In addition to his regular trade he buys and sells wool and lumber, shipping these commodities to Boston. He was one of a firm that built in 1891 a saw-mill, which is now operated under the firm name of Emery, Collins & Co.

Mr. Emery was married in January, 1858, to Miss Maria Gould, who was born December 13, 1834, in New Portland, Me., a daughter of Samuel and Mary (Spooner) Gould, both natives of New Portland. Mr. Gould, her father, was a lumberman and merchant and a successful business man. He died in 1876 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emery, with whom he had lived since the death of his wife, which occurred in 1873. Mr. and Mrs. Emery have but one child now living, a son, Wallace, born September 2, 1858, now in business with his father. He is married to Miss Lizzie A. Fletcher, of Anson. A daughter, Nellie, born February 18, 1860, died April 28, 1864.

Mr. Emery is a stanch supporter of the principles of the Democratic party, and for some

time was one of the Selectmen of Anson. He is a member of the Northern Star Lodge, F. & A. M., No. 28, at Anson; and of the Lemon Stream Lodge, I. O. O. F., of New Portland. Mrs. Emery is a member of the Universalist church.

SAMUEL O. DINSMORE, a prosperous general merchant of Medford Centre, Piscataquis County, an ex-member of the legislature, and the Postmaster of the town for over thirty years, was born here, June 14, 1843. A son of the late Samuel Dinsmore, M.D., he is a grandson of Samuel Dinsmore, who spent his early life in Maine and his last years in De Witt, Clinton County, Ia. The father, who was born in Saco, York County, Me., May 29, 1804, graduated from the medical department of Bowdoin University with the class of 1835. In the following year he began the practice of his profession in Kilmarnock, now Medford, where he resided for the rest of his life. A skilful and reliable physician, his practice extended over a wide circuit, necessitating long rides and continued exposure to inclement weather. A robust constitution, however, supported his devotion to his calling, and he lived to a good old age. Originally a Whig in politics, he later became a Republican; and in religious belief he was a Universalist. He died at the home of his son in Medford Centre, July 19, 1891. In 1842 Mr. Dinsmore married Mary Jane Johnson, who was born in Milo, this county, May 28, 1823, daughter of Elijah Johnson, late of this town.

Her father, born in Clinton, Me., March 17, 1801, accompanied his parents to Milo in 1808. In 1826 he settled as a pioneer in Medford, where he followed general farming throughout the rest of his active years; and he died in Maxfield, Me., January 21, 1895. He attended the Methodist Episcopal church. In 1820 he married Sarah Grover. Their only child was Samuel O., the subject of this sketch. The mother died in 1864.

Samuel O. Dinsmore was educated in the public schools of Medford. When twenty-one years old he engaged in trade. Since 1865 he has kept a general store and cultivated a farm of one hundred and seventy-five acres. He formerly owned about seven hundred acres of land, the most of which he disposed of to good advantage. Upon reaching his majority he became an active Republican, and has since been identified with public affairs. He has been a member of the Board of Selectmen for the greater part of the time since 1865, and he is now its chairman. Since 1869 he has been Town Clerk; was Town Treasurer for eight or ten years; was Representative to the legislature in 1880; was a County Commissioner from 1887 to 1893, serving as the chairman of the board in 1891 and 1892; was appointed Postmaster during Lincoln's administration; and has acted as a Justice of the Peace for thirty-two years.

Mr. Dinsmore contracted the first of his two marriages in 1864 with Hattie A. Sawyer, of Medford. She died in 1874, leaving two children: Geneva J., born August 30, 1867, who is the wife of B. H. Dunham, of Sanger-

ville, Me.; and Lucian S. Dinsmore, born November 26, 1871, who resides in Portland. Mr. Dinsmore's present wife, whom he married in 1876, was Ida F. Smart, daughter of Joseph E. Smart, of Whitney Ridge, now Seboeis. His children by this union are: Eda L., born August 29, 1879; Winnefred M., born February 27, 1882; Elsie M., born December 11, 1888; Horace M., born January 16, 1891; and Joseph S., born September 28, 1895. Mr. Dinsmore is connected with Composite Lodge, No. 167, F. & A. M., of La Grange; and Piscataquis Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Dover. He is a charter member of the lodge of Ancient Order of United Workmen in Milo.

ALFRED B. CRABTREE, an enterprising merchant of Sullivan, Hancock County, son of Lemuel and Caroline (Stratton) Crabtree, was born in the town of Hancock, February 8, 1848. His great-grandfather, Agreen Crabtree, who probably came from Old York, Me., was the first of the family to settle in Hancock. The grandfather, also named Lemuel and a native of Hancock, owned a large farm on Hancock Point. He tilled the soil industriously during his active years, and lived to an advanced age. The maiden name of his wife was Lucy Bean.

Lemuel Crabtree, Jr., was a lifelong resident of Hancock. In his youth he began to follow the sea, but soon abandoned that occupation for mercantile pursuits, and for many

years was the leading merchant in this section. He avoided public affairs, preferring to give his whole time to his business, which fact, in a great measure, was the cause of his long-continued prosperity. At his death he was seventy-five years old. He married Caroline Stratton, who became the mother of five children; namely, Adelia M., Alfred B., Oscar L., Coleman A., and Carrie L. Adelia M. is the wife of Orestus B. Foss, and resides in Clinton, Mass. Oscar L. married Lizzie Hodgkins, and lives in Hancock. Coleman A. married Lulu Fernald, and also resides in that town. Carrie L. died young.

Alfred B. Crabtree pursued the primary branches of knowledge in the district schools, and completed his education at the Bucksport Academy. Having become familiarized with storekeeping as a clerk for his father, for whom he worked until about the year 1876, he and his present partner, B. B. Havey, opened a general store in Sullivan, which has since acquired an extensive business. Messrs. Crabtree and Havey also quarry stone in Sullivan, employing in the dull season a force of fifty men, and shipping a great deal of paving and curbing material to New York, Philadelphia, and Providence.

Mr. Crabtree contracted the first of his two marriages with Ellen Stratton, daughter of Elijah Stratton, of Hancock. The only child of that union was Cora F., who died at the age of twenty years. His present wife was formerly Alice J. Crabtree, of Hancock, a daughter of Agreen Crabtree. She is the mother of four children — Leroy B., Alice

E., Bertha S., and Alfred E., all of whom are attending school. Mr. Crabtree has served upon the Board of Selectmen, and at the present time is ably administering the financial affairs of the town as its Treasurer. In politics he is a Republican, and he cast his first Presidential vote for Ulysses S. Grant in 1872.

MARK McPHETERS, a retired lumberman, who is now residing upon a farm in Guilford, was born in Veazie, Penobscot County, Me., December 12, 1840, son of Josiah and Mary (Herrick) McPheters. His father was born in Veazie, April 20, 1810, and his mother in Auburn, Me., January 18, 1820. David McPheters, the grandfather, a native of Scotland, became one of the early settlers in Veazie, where he spent the rest of his life industriously occupied in farming, and died in September, 1819. The maiden name of his wife was Lydia Hawthorn. Their children were: David, Silas, Isaac, Josiah, Daniel, and Lucinda, all of whom, but the daughter, lived to maturity. Of these the only survivor is David, who resides in Greenbush, Me.

Josiah McPheters, Mark McPheters's father, like most young men of Veazie in his day was employed in driving logs on the Penobscot River and in farming. His death occurred in the prime of life, when he was thirty-six years old. He was a convert to Spiritualism, and in politics he acted with the Democratic party. His children besides Mark, the first-born, were: Lucinda, Orrin H., and Lydia Ann, all

of whom died young. Josiah McPheters's widow married for her second husband Isaac McPheters, by whom she had four children: Josiah E.; George H., of Lynn, Mass.; Charles T., who resides in Newton, Mass.; and Orville H., of Gloucester, Mass. Charles and Orville are blacksmiths. Isaac McPheters died in October, 1886, and his wife died October 13, 1897, in Guilford.

While a boy Mark McPheters went to reside with Cornelius Dutton in Abbot. During the nine years he spent there he assisted Mr. Dutton in farming and attended the village schools. At the age of seventeen he went to Harmony, where he was hired to work in the woods. Afterward for some years he was employed in the lumbering camps upon the Kennebec River and its tributaries. He eventually engaged in lumbering for himself, and carried it on successfully for twenty-five years in northern Maine. During the winter of 1892 and 1893 he conducted two heavy operations, employing two hundred and fifty men and one hundred horses and oxen. In the smaller of these he secured forty-one thousand dollars' worth of logs. The late general business depression had a disastrous effect upon the lumbering interests of Maine, and, as Mr. McPheters was a heavy loser, he decided to retire. He has also carried on a veneer-mill in Shirley; was at one time the owner of the Shirley House at Shirley Mills; has kept a general store; and for some time was engaged in the meat business in Greenville, Me., where he formerly resided. After disposing of his lumber interests he purchased the Morgan farm

of one hundred and forty acres in Guilford, to the improvement and cultivation of which he has since given his attention. By increasing the fertility of his land he has raised the hay crop from the twelve tons obtained in 1895 to sixty-five tons, which was cut in 1897. He has built a new barn, eighty by forty-two feet. Making a specialty of dairying, he keeps about twenty cows.

Mr. McPheters first married Sarah A. Rogers, who died in January, 1881. His second marriage took place in the same year with Judith Drew, of Glenburn, Me. He has been the father of twelve children. Those by his first union were: Edith E., who is no longer living; Harry A.; Arthur F.; Elvira L.; Mark E.; Abbie C.; Minnie B.; and Nina B. Of the four children born to his second wife, two are living—Mary E. and Beatrice E. The others were: Sarah J. and Avis J. In politics Mr. McPheters is a Democrat, and he has served as a Selectman both in Greenville and Shirley. He is a charter member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Ancient Order of United Workmen in Greenville. While he favors the Universalist form of worship, he has been a liberal contributor to public charities.

AUGUSTUS OSGOOD GROSS, of Deer Isle, Hancock County, senior member of the firm Gross & Spoford, was born on this island, June 29, 1847, son of Frederick A. and Harriet C. (Small) Gross. The grandfather, Moses Gross, who

was a native of Massachusetts, brought his family from that State to the south-eastern part of Deer Isle, where he died comparatively young. He married Martha Pritchard, of Boston, a daughter of Samuel Pritchard, who was a Revolutionary soldier. She became the mother of seven children; namely, Samuel, Sarah, James, Frederick, Margaret, Martha B., and Harriet. Harriet is the widow of Sylvanus G. Pressey, late of Deer Isle.

Frederick A. Gross, who was born in Boston, came to this island with his parents when a child. His education was acquired in the public schools. After serving an apprenticeship of seven years to the carpenter's and caulker's trades in Boston, he worked at them on Deer Isle, where ship-building at that time was the principal industry. He died at the age of sixty-six years. Having taken some interest in public affairs, he ably served as Town Treasurer for a time. His wife, Harriet C., was a daughter of Naylor and Eunice (Carman) Small. Her grandfathers, Joseph Small and Levi Carman, were both pioneer settlers of this island. She became the mother of five children, namely: Harriet Antoinette, who is no longer living; Frederick St. Clair, who died in infancy; Ellen Augusta, who died at the age of twenty-three years; Augustus O., the subject of this sketch; and Frederick Herbert. Harriet Antoinette was the wife of Martin Green, and left five children — Julia H., Mamie E., Hattie W., Frederick M., and Grace M. Green. Frederick Herbert Gross, who was born June 8, 1851, learned the carpenter's

trade, which he followed as a journeyman in Hyde Park, Mass., for some time. Afterward in Deer Isle he was engaged in a mercantile business for a number of years, and in 1872 he built his present fine residence near the church. He is now a travelling salesman for J. C. Ayer & Co., of Lowell, Mass. For eight years he held the appointment of Postmaster. He married Mary E. Pickering, a daughter of Timothy and Susan (Haskell) Pickering. His only child died in infancy.

Having completed his education at the East Maine Conference Seminary in Bucksport, Augustus Osgood Gross was engaged in teaching school on Deer Isle for about three years. For the succeeding four years he worked at the carpenter's trade in Massachusetts. Upon his return to the island he entered the general store of S. G. Haskell as a clerk, in which capacity he continued for several years. Then he was associated in business with Mr. Haskell until the latter's death, since which time he has been the senior member of the firm Gross & Spofford, who have a well-appointed store, and are doing an extensive and profitable business.

Mr. Gross married Julia E. Haskell, a daughter of Sylvanus and Dorothy D. Haskell and a descendant of one of the early settlers of Deer Isle. She has had five children — Sylvanus G., Frank A., Arthur C., Harold C., and Bessie H. Sylvanus G. died in infancy; Arthur C. died at the age of ten years; and Harold C. died at the age of two years. Frank A. Gross married Julia A. Libby, and has one son, Maurice Clinton. In politics

Mr. Gross is a Republican, and he cast his first vote for Ulysses S. Grant in 1868. At one time he was Town Clerk, the duties of which office he discharged with marked ability. An advanced Mason, he is a member of Arcadia Chapter, of Ellsworth, Me.; of De Valois Commandery, of Vinal Haven, Me.; and of the Scottish Rite Degree. He also belongs to the Ancient Order of United Workmen, and is a member of the Congregational church.

SUMNER R. BENNETT, a prosperous farmer of Abbot, Piscataquis County, was born in Guilford, this county, October 11, 1822, son of David and Lucy (Clark) Bennett. His grandfather, Isaac Bennett, who was in early life a seafaring man and a resident of New Gloucester, Me., settled in Guilford as a pioneer, and cleared a farm, upon which he resided for the rest of his life.

David Bennett, father of Sumner, was a native of New Gloucester. He accompanied his parents to Guilford, in which town he resided until 1822, when he moved to a farm in Abbot. He lived to be eighty-one years old. He was a Democrat in politics and a Universalist in his religious belief. His wife, Lucy, who was born in Sumner, Me., became the mother of several children, seven of whom grew to maturity; namely, David H., Sumner R., John, George H., Lucy, Martha, and Louisa. The mother died in Parkman, Me., at the age of sixty-five years.

Sumner R. Bennett passed his early years in Abbot and Monson, and his education was acquired in the town schools. He has given his attention to agriculture since attaining his majority, and for eight years he carried on a farm in Monson. His present farm, upon which he settled some twenty-eight years ago, contains two hundred and forty acres of land, which he has brought to a high state of cultivation. He conducts general farming and dairying, and raises some good stock, and his crops are always among the best in this locality. Politically, Mr. Bennett is a Democrat, and believes in the free coinage of silver. He attends the Universalist church.

In 1848 Mr. Bennett was joined in marriage with Roxana Briggs, a native of Parkman. Those of her children who survived the period of infancy and early childhood were: Mary, who died at the age of fourteen years; Emma, who died at the age of twenty-two; Charles, who married Allura Draper, daughter of Jerome and Rhoda (Patten) Draper, of Monson, and died at the age of thirty-nine; Frank P., who married Lulu Weymouth, resides in the State of Washington, and has one son, Ernest; Eugene S., a resident of the same State; and Walter S., who resides in Abbot. The mother died in March, 1885.

WILLIAM DANIEL WAUGH, second Selectman of the town of Starks, Me., is an enterprising and prominent young agriculturist, residing with his parents,

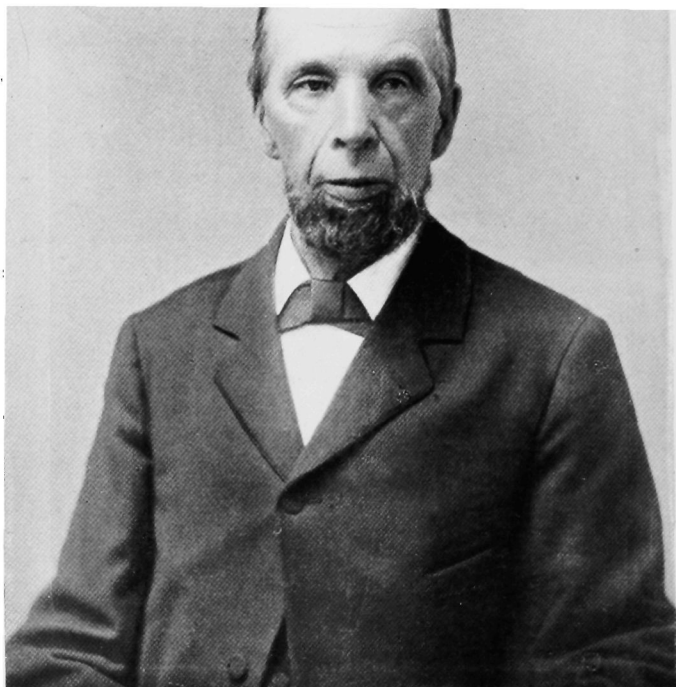
Randall and Ellen F. Waugh, at the homestead where he was born, July 8, 1871. His paternal grandfather was William W. Waugh, son of Elijah Waugh, and, without doubt, grandson of James Waugh, Sr., a native of Townsend, Mass., who is said to have been the first settler on Sandy River, coming here first in 1772, and beginning to plant in 1773. James Waugh, Jr., son of the pioneer, died in 1818, about eight years before his father. Elijah and other sons survived him. (See History of Norridgewock.)

William W. Waugh and his wife, whose maiden name was Mary Melvina Williamson, were lifelong residents of Starks, where they reared nine children, as follows: Randall, born December 26, 1841, the father above named; Hannibal, born July 19, 1843, now living retired from active pursuits in Augusta, Me.; Arnold H., born August 31, 1845, a farmer in Starks township; William Roscoe, born February 22, 1848, living at the old homestead in Starks; Eldora, born March 4, 1850, wife of Edgar Day, a hotel-keeper in New Sharon, Me.; Bathsheba, of Augusta, born February 21, 1852; Elizabeth, born July 13, 1857, wife of F. Nichols, a farmer in Starks; Georgiana, born January 29, 1854, now living at the old homestead; and Sophia May, born August 7, 1860, wife of George Greenleaf, a farmer, also of Starks.

Randall Waugh in his later youth pursued a course of study at the Norridgewock High School, and has since devoted his energies to the free and independent occupation of farming on the old Waugh farm on Sandy River,

in the town of Starks. On the 4th of July, 1869, he married Miss Ellen F. Waugh, who was born June 11, 1847, in Starks, a daughter of Daniel and Clara (Dunphey) Waugh. Her parents were both born and bred in Starks, and in the earlier part of their married life resided on a farm in that town. Her father eventually went to Australia, and he died there. They had but two children: Ellen F., now Mrs. Randall Waugh; and Charles D. The latter, who is now a widower and makes his home with his sister and her husband, has been twice married, his first wife having been Naora Nichols, and his second Ellen Greaton. He has now one son, Hannibal, living with him on the farm. His daughter, Fannie G., died April 3, 1895, aged ten years. Mr. and Mrs. Randall Waugh have two children, namely: William D., known as W. Daniel, of whom more below; and Lena N., born July 4, 1884.

W. Daniel Waugh completed his education in the Business College of Augusta, Me., and has since been employed in ably assisting his father and uncle Charles in the management of the home estate. Together they own about two hundred and twenty-five acres of land, and are engaged in general farming and stock-raising, making a specialty of short-horn cattle. They own a finely improved farm, and have the distinction of residing in the first frame house built in Starks township. Both father and son are staunch Republicans, and W. Daniel Waugh has served as third Selectman of the town two years and as second Selectman one term. He is a member of



EBEN M. HAMOR.

Quinnebassett Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 109, of Norridgewock; of the Good Templars Lodge, of Starks village; and of the local grange of Starks, No. 75.

On December 22, 1897, he married Miss Susan B. Fletcher, daughter of Benjamin and Susan Fletcher, of Starks.

HON. EBEN M. HAMOR, the Postmaster of West Eden, Hancock County and an ex-member of the Maine Senate, was born in Eden, March 26, 1822, son of William and Experience (Mayo) Hamor. His great-grandfather, John Hamor, moved his family from Arondell, Me., now Kennebunkport, to Mount Desert Island in 1768, becoming a squatter at the head of Hull's Cove, on land that was originally a part of the De Gregoire grant. One year after his arrival he started upon a voyage Westward, and was never again heard from. Of the five children left by him, the eldest was David, Eben M. Hamor's grandfather, then but twelve years old. After reaching his majority, David Hamor came into possession of the land upon which his father had located, and he died there at the age of eighty years. The maiden name of his wife was Experience Thompson, and he had a family of thirteen children.

William Hamor, who was born at Hull's Cove, like most of the inhabitants of the neighborhood, gave his attention to farming and fishing. He also engaged in lumbering to some extent, and was a man of industry and

ability. After his marriage he settled upon Town Hill. In his later years he was an invalid. He and his wife had six children—Angelia, Eben M., Maria, James E., Esther, and Jonathan Hamor. James and Jonathan were formerly schoolmasters. The former is now a farmer in West Eden, while the latter keeps a store and is the Postmaster in Somesville.

Having been educated in the common schools of Eden and at the academy in Blue Hill, Eben M. Hamor taught school for twenty-four winters, being retained for eleven terms in one district and nine in another. He also worked at ship-carpentering for some time. In 1866 his brother Jonathan opened a store in Somesville. Later Eben M. moved to his present location in West Eden, where, in partnership with his son-in-law, he carries on a flourishing trade in general merchandise. Born of his marriage with Aphia L. Salsbury is an only daughter, Ida M., who married Gilman N. Rich, and has two children—Mabel and Chester M. He is an esteemed member of the Masonic brotherhood. A Republican in politics, dating from the formation of the party, he has voted at every election since 1844, when he cast his first ballot for James K. Polk. He has served as Selectman and Assessor for ten terms, has been superintendent of schools for many years, was a Representative to the legislature in 1864, a State Senator in 1865 and 1866, and by a recent appointment he is the present Postmaster, having previously held the office for twelve years. In religion he is a Baptist.

ANDREW JACKSON WEYMOUTH, a prominent farmer and lumberman of Medford, was born in this town, January 11, 1837, son of Walter and Olive (Inman) Weymouth. The paternal grandfather, also named Walter, was an early settler of Corinna, Penobscot County, where he took up new land and made a home in the wilds. He lived there until his death.

Walter Weymouth, Jr., was born in Lisbon, Kennebec County, Me. Following the example of his father, he came to Medford in 1830, and purchased a tract of uncleared land in the south-eastern part of the town, cut and sold the timber, and brought such of the land as was suitable under cultivation, making an excellent farm. He lived here until his death. Besides tilling his farm, he followed lumbering to a considerable extent in various places, including the vicinity of Bangor, which at that time was a small town, and had but a few stores. He was a Whig until the formation of the Republican party, which he afterward supported. In religion he was a Methodist and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He died at the age of sixty-eight. His wife, Olive, born in the town of Orono, Me., was seventy-five years old at her death. They were the parents of thirteen children, of whom eleven grew up and five are now living. Two of the number died in infancy. The others were: Ira, Esther, Mary, William, Andrew Jackson, Charles, Nelson, George, Frank, Belle, and Augusta. The seven sons all responded to the call for soldiers to defend the Union.

Ira and Nelson were in the Eleventh Maine Regiment; William, Charles, and George were in the First Maine Cavalry; and Frank was in Company C of the Twenty-second Maine Regiment, with his brother Andrew. Frank died at Port Hudson from the effects of a sunstroke. Charles, who was wounded and taken prisoner during the war, died in 1874 from the effects of his injuries. The five children now living are: Andrew Jackson; Ira in Old Town, Me.; Belle, the wife of George W. Hitchborn, of Medford; Nelson, a resident of Medford; and George, now in the State of Washington.

Andrew Jackson Weymouth received his education in the town schools of Medford. When the time came for him to start out in life for himself, he purchased a piece of land in Milo and began farming, at which he was engaged when the war broke out. In 1862 he enlisted in Company C of the Twenty-second Maine Regiment, with which he served until honorably discharged in 1863, participating in the battle of Irish Bend, the siege of Port Hudson, and minor engagements. Upon his return from the war he resumed farming in Milo, following that occupation there until 1866, when he came to Medford, and settled on his present farm. There are one hundred acres in the home place, and he owns timber land elsewhere. Since he came here he has erected new buildings and made general improvements, so that he now has one of the best farms in the town of Medford. He carries on mixed farming, and makes a specialty of lumbering.

Mr. Weymouth was married when about twenty-five years old to Miss Charlotte Powers, who was born in Brownville, Piscataquis County, and is a distant cousin of Governor Powers, of Maine. Of their eight children, Lizzie died aged thirty-two years. The others are living; namely, Walter E., Annie B., Lulie, Albert J., Frank E., Mabel A., and Lillian. Walter E. and Albert J. are in partnership with their father in the lumbering business; Frank E., a graduate from Orono, Me., is in the city engineer's office in Boston, Mass.; Mabel A. is a teacher in Milo; Annie B. married Newell B. Gray, of Milo; Lulie married F. E. Monroe, the Postmaster of Milo; and Lillian is attending school. Mr. Weymouth is a Republican in politics. He has served as Selectman for two terms, was Town Treasurer, and held minor town offices. He is a member of Captain Sampson Post, Grand Army of the Republic, at Milo.

ALLEXANDER McCLAIN, JR., of Danforth, Washington County, an enterprising merchant tailor and dealer in gentlemen's furnishing goods, was born in Mattawaumkeag, Me., December 5, 1850, son of Alexander and Mary J. (Shedd) McClain. The grandfather, also named Alexander, emigrated from Scotland to Nova Scotia after marriage, and was drowned in the Miramichi River. The father, a native of Nova Scotia, is the well-known bear hunter of Northern Maine. His principal occupation through life has been hunting and trapping, which has

yielded him a good income. In his calling he has earned the distinction of having killed a greater number of bears than any other woodsman in the Pine Tree State, the last, caught this spring, 1898, being the two hundred and twenty-eighth. He is still active at the age of seventy-four (July 24, 1898), and he now resides with his children in Henderson. Mary J. McClain, his wife, who was a native of Sangerville, became the mother of eleven children, six of whom are living and residents of Henderson; namely, Alexander, Jr., Rufus R., Nathan, George, Mrs. Emma R. Chadbourn, and Mrs. Etta Dougherty. The mother died in 1892, aged sixty-five.

Alexander McClain, Jr., grew to manhood in Macwahoc, Me., completing his education at the Lee Academy. He has followed various lines of business, including mining, having spent one year in Pennsylvania and seven years in California. After his return to Maine he worked in the saw-mills of Danforth until an accident resulted in the loss of one of his arms. In 1886 he established himself in his present business. Besides doing custom work, he carries a select line of ready-made clothing and gentlemen's furnishings, in which line he is, perhaps, the most extensive dealer here.

In 1878 Mr. McClain was united in marriage with Mary Merrill, of Springfield, Me., a daughter of Phineas Merrill. Mrs. McClain has had five children, three of whom are living; namely, Claud C., Ida M., and Alexander McClain. The others were: Gracie C. and a child who died in infancy.

Politically, Mr. McClain is a Republican, and he has ably attended to the duties of Town Clerk for the past nine years. He is connected with Baskegan Lodge, No. 175, F. & A. M.; Past Grand of Lodge No. 118, I. O. O. F.; Recorder of the local lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen; and Noble Commander of Danforth Council, No. 467, Order of the Golden Cross. Both he and Mrs. McClain are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

CAPTAIN SIMEON L. TRACY, a prosperous merchant of Gouldsboro, Hancock County, son of Jeremiah and Eliza (Rosebrook) Tracy, was born in this town, April 25, 1835. The grandfather, Asa Tracy, also born here, was a son of Jonathan Tracy, one of the pioneer settlers of the town. Jonathan Tracy, who was for a number of years a seafaring man, resided in a log house on the east side of Gouldsboro Point, where he cleared a large tract of land, and died at a good old age. He married a Miss Griggs, of Portland, Me. Asa Tracy succeeded to the homestead farm, which he carried on in connection with lumbering during his active years, erecting a new set of buildings upon the place. His wife was before marriage Dorcas Bunker, a native of Gouldsboro.

Jeremiah Tracy, the father, born in Gouldsboro in 1800, was also engaged in farming and lumbering. When a young man he bought a place called the "Marsh," situated

near Prospect Harbor, and afterward resided there until his death, which occurred in 1875. He was quite prominent in public affairs and ably filled some of the important town offices. Eliza, his wife, who was also a native of Gouldsboro, became the mother of seven children; namely, Elizabeth, Simeon L., Freeman G., Caroline and Emeline (twins), Reuel B., and Calvin C. Tracy. Elizabeth is now the wife of Edward L. Young, and resides in Millbridge, Me. Freeman G. married Hannah G. Young, and lives in Gouldsboro. Caroline, who resides in Steuben, Me., is the wife of Otis Whitten. Emeline married Samuel G. Wood, of this town. Reuel B. has remained a bachelor. Calvin C. married Sarah Tracy, and is a resident of Gouldsboro.

Simeon L. Tracy was educated in the schools of his native town. At the age of seventeen he began going to sea, becoming the master of a vessel at twenty-one. During the succeeding sixteen years he was chiefly engaged in the foreign trade, most of his voyages being made to the Mediterranean. In 1872 he bought a store at West Gouldsboro, which he occupied until 1877. Then he moved his business to a new building completed by him in that year, and has since carried on a flourishing trade. He married Clara H. Jones, daughter of Nahum and Joan (Prebble) Jones, of this town, and became the father of three children, namely: Maud, who died in infancy; Ernest N., who died at the age of thirteen; and Thurlow, who died at the age of nine years.

Captain Tracy has efficiently rendered more than his share of service to the town, having filled the offices of Selectman, Treasurer, and Collector, and has been the Postmaster here for thirteen years. His first Presidential vote was cast for John C. Fremont in 1856. Since then he has actively supported the Republican party. He belongs to the Blue Lodge in Cherryfield, F. & A. M.

JOSHUA PACKARD, a successful dairyman of Dover, was born in Augusta, Me., August 27, 1824, son of Daniel and Sybil (Morrison) Packard. He is a descendant of Samuel Packard, who arrived at Plymouth from England at an early date. The grandfather, Joshua Packard, accompanied by his wife, made his way on horseback from Bridgewater, Mass., to Readfield, when that section was thinly populated, marked trees being the only guide to the home-seeking pioneer. He located upon a large tract of unimproved land on Kent's Hill, where he surmounted the many difficulties which beset the early settlers, and finally became the possessor of a good farm. He and his wife reared twelve children, and lived to an advanced age. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Daniel Packard, who was born in Readfield, Kennebec County, January 24, 1792, cleared a farm near the present city of Augusta, where he resided eight years. Then he spent ten years on a farm in Windsor, Me., and the rest of his active period upon a farm

in Sebec, this county, passing his last days with his son in Dover. Industrious and persevering, he provided his family with a comfortable home, and he was regarded as an upright man and a useful citizen. In his later years he was a Republican, and while residing in Sebec he held some of the important town offices. He died in 1885. His wife, a native of Livermore County, born January 23, 1802, died on February 18, 1897, at the advanced age of ninety-four years and one month. Both attended the Methodist Episcopal church. They were the parents of three children, namely: Joshua, the subject of this sketch; Alice, now deceased, who was the widow of Edwin Currier, and resided in Sebec; and Charles Packard, also of that town.

Joshua Packard, the subject of this biography, accompanied his parents to Sebec when he was nine years old, and acquired a district-school education in that town. He assisted in carrying on the home farm until he was twenty-one. Then he became part owner of the property, which contained two hundred and seventy-five acres of land. He continued to reside in Sebec until 1887, when he bought his present farm of two hundred and fifty-six acres in Dover. On this place he has erected new buildings, carries on general farming, and devotes much of his attention to dairying, keeping some excellent Durham and Jersey cows. His residence occupies a pleasant and slightly location overlooking the village, and the air of neatness and order which pervades his premises shows him to be an industrious

as well as a successful farmer. He is connected with the Masonic fraternity of Dover and the Patrons of Husbandry of Foxcroft. In politics he is a Republican.

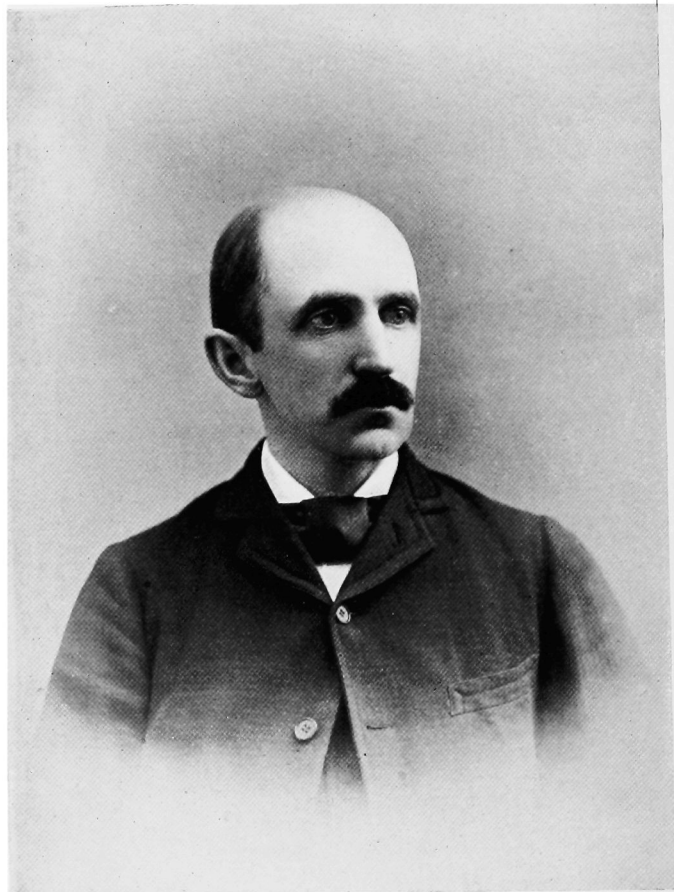
On May 29, 1850, Mr. Packard was joined in marriage with Catharine D. Currier, a daughter of Edmund Currier, of Sebec, born in Vienna, Kennebec County, June 24, 1826. She has had four children, namely: Charles L., born March 16, 1851; George E., born August 23, 1853, who is married and has one son, Harry E.; Mary E., born December 16, 1858, who married Henry Hagar, of Sebec, and has two daughters — Bertha and Eva; and John F., born October 23, 1861, who is married and has one son, Carl.

WILLIAM R. JORDAN, an attorney and counsellor-at-law in Bingham, Somerset County, was born in Stetson, Me., March 29, 1867. The eldest son of Benjamin R. and Sarah (Locke) Jordan, he is a grandson of John Jordan, an early settler and thrifty farmer of Harmony, Me. John Jordan was twice married. The maiden name of his first wife and the mother of Benjamin R. was Lord. She belonged to the family of Lords then living in Harmony. His second wife had six children: Charles, a resident of Wellington, Me.; Samuel, of Harmony; Joseph, of Pittsfield, Me.; Emily, who became Mrs. Whittemore, of Skowhegan, Me.; Lavinia, who became Mrs. Boston, of Wellington; and Sarah Jordan, a resident of Harmony.

Benjamin R. Jordan, William R. Jordan's

father, was born in Harmony. When a young man he settled on a farm in Stetson. A man of unusual energy, he made good use of his opportunities. He resided in Stetson until his death, which occurred in April, 1882. His wife, Sarah, a native of Etna, Me., was a daughter of farmer Jesse Locke. The mother previous to her marriage was the widow Leathers. Mrs. Sarah Jordan became the mother of three children, namely: William R. Jordan, the subject of this sketch; James A. Jordan, now a clerk in a Bingham store; and Mary E. Jordan, who is employed as a writer in the publishing house of Gannett & Morse, Augusta, Me. Their mother died in September, 1878.

William R. Jordan received his elementary education in the common schools of Stetson. After his father's death he lived with the family of the Rev. H. S. Morton in Stetson village, where he had the opportunity of attending the village schools during the fall and winter terms for some three years. Having graduated in June, 1888, from the Maine Central Institute, located at Pittsfield, he afterward attended Bates College for one year. Then for some years he was a popular school teacher, teaching in different parts of the State. He was the principal of the Newport Grammar School for one year while pursuing his legal studies. After beginning the study of law with Frank W. Hovey, of Pittsfield, he continued it in Chicago, Ill., at the law department of the North-western University. Duly admitted to the bar in 1892, he located in Bingham. Here he has already



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acquired a good country practice, and is fast advancing to the front rank in his profession.

On November 22, 1896, Mr. Jordan married Mrs. Cora M. Smith Houghton, the widow of Thomas J. Houghton, late of Bingham, and a daughter of B. F. Smith, a prosperous farmer of Moscow, Me. Mr. Jordan is quite an active politician in the Republican party, and at present is serving the town on the Bingham School Board. He is a prominent Good Templar and an active member of the Congregational church, which he serves in the capacity of trustee.

THOMAS N. DRAKE, M.D., a practicing physician of Pittsfield, Somerset County, was born in Centre Effingham, N.H., May 14, 1858, son of Cyrus K. and Lucinda M. (Morse) Drake. The father, also born in Centre Effingham, ran a hotel and a stage route in his earlier years. Having spent the greater part of his life in Effingham, he died in Lynn, Mass., in September, 1893. His wife, Lucinda, who was also a native of New Hampshire, died in 1870. Their children were: Alexander M., Isabelle, Olin M., Tina, Orrin Edward, and Thomas N. Alexander M., who resides in Pittsfield, is engaged in the tobacco and cigar business. Isabelle, now deceased, was the wife of A. P. Topliff, M.D., of Deering, Me. Olin M. is a physician in Boston. Tina died in childhood. Orrin Edward, who resides at Freedom, N.H., is engaged in the manufacture of clothing.

Thomas N. Drake received his college training at Ellsworth, Me., and in 1882 entered the Hahnemann Medical College at Philadelphia. After studying there for about two years, he graduated with honors in 1884. Going then to Presque Isle, Me., he began the practice of medicine, and for ten months remained in that place. Coming to Pittsfield in 1885, he started in practice here, and for five years gave his full attention to his professional duties. In 1890 he became interested in the Hathorn Stock Farm, upon which are bred fast racing horses, and managed that for the five succeeding years. He still holds a half-interest in this place, and owns other valuable property in this town and in Ellsworth, Me. Resuming the practice of his profession in 1895, he has since been engaged in that, and is at present recognized as a skilful and reliable physician and surgeon. He is strictly homœopathic in treatment. The Doctor's office hours are from eight to nine in the morning, from one to four in the afternoon, and from six to eight in the evening. He also deals somewhat in real estate.

In 1889 Dr. Drake was united in marriage with Mrs. Florence E. Thompson, of Pittsfield, daughter of G. Hathorn, of this town. She having died in 1891, he was married in December, 1892, to Vinnie F. Haskell, daughter of O. S. and Louise Haskell, of this town. The Doctor by this marriage has one child, Dorothy, born September 13, 1894. In politics he is a Republican, and never fails to vote for his party's candidates. At the present time he is the secretary of the Board of

Health of this town. Fraternally, he is a member of Phleutonia Lodge, No. 51, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and of Pioneer Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Pittsfield.

EMERY B. AND HARVEY W. DUNBAR, of Sullivan, Hancock County, general merchants and the proprietors of a granite quarry, are natives of this town. Born on August 7, 1856, and February 6, 1861, respectively, they are sons of George H. and Delilah (Sargent) Dunbar. The father, born in Steuben, Washington County, son of Peter Dunbar, who was a prosperous farmer and a lifelong resident of Steuben, for many years was employed in lumbering and the ship-carpenter's trade at Sullivan, in which place he settled about the year 1849. He also owned several coasting-vessels. His death occurred June 5, 1898, at the age of seventy-eight years. Delilah, his wife, a native of Gouldsboro, Me., and a daughter of Jotham Sargent, of that town, resides in Sullivan. They reared four children—Charles W., Katherine A., Emery B., and Harvey W. Charles W., who is residing in Sullivan, successively married Jane Higgins and Kate M. Alconn. His first wife had two children—Percy R. and Margaret. His second wife is the mother of one son, George H. Dunbar (second). Katherine A. Dunbar, a spinster, is supervisor of schools in Sullivan.

Emery B. and Harvey W. Dunbar were educated in the schools of Sullivan. After the

completion of his studies Harvey W. Dunbar was a clerk in a grocery store until twenty years of age. Then he and Emery B. opened a general merchandise store in a leased building. Later they purchased the property. By the additions since made to meet the demands of their increasing trade their establishment has become one of the largest as well as one of the best appointed general stores in this locality. Some twelve years ago they became interested in the granite business. At the present time they are extensive shippers of curbing, paving, etc. For some time they have been the assignees of the late Sullivan Granite Company.

Emery B. Dunbar married Fanny W. Clark, of Franklin, Me., and now has one daughter, Marie N. Harvey W. is unmarried. Both brothers are members of the Knights of Pythias. Harvey also belongs to the Bangor Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks. Emery cast his first Presidential vote for James A. Garfield in 1880. He has served with ability as a member of the Board of Selectmen for three years. His brother, first voting at a national election in 1884, supported the candidacy of James G. Blaine. They are energetic and successful young business men, and their popularity is fully merited.

JOHN M. JONAH, M.D., a prominent resident of Eastport, Me., and one of the leading physicians of Washington County, was born in Hillsboro, Albert County, N.B., April 4, 1832. His parents

were Peter and Eliza (Peck) Jonah, both natives of Hillsboro, N.B., the father born in 1805 and the mother in 1807.

His paternal grandfather, Henry Jonah, was also a native of Hillsboro, where he conducted a profitable farm and was a lifelong resident. He was a son of John Jonah, the first of the family to settle in that place. Grandfather Jonah had thirteen children, all of whom grew to maturity, Peter, the father of the subject of this sketch, being the eldest son. Their names were respectively as follows: Delilah, Peter, William, Sarah, Mary, John, Barbara, Nancy, Henry, Betsey, Eunice, Isaiah, and Jane. The three now living are: Nancy, who is the widow of Jacob Steeves, resides in Hillsboro, N.B., and is now eighty years old; Henry, also a resident of Hillsboro, and seventy-five years of age; and Mrs. Eunice McLean, who lives at Lutz Mountain, N.B., and is now in her seventy-eighth year.

Peter Jonah, like his father, remained all his life a resident of his native town, where he was engaged as a farmer and lumberman. He was a man of sterling character, energetic, enterprising, and ingenious, and, above all, of unwavering integrity. The soul of honor, he never stooped to a mean action; and no man was more sincerely respected than he by his fellow-townsmen, who frequently sought his advice upon matters of importance, both of a public and private nature. In 1840 he built a saw-mill in Hillsboro, and in 1848 he erected a large one, which is to-day operated by his son, W. H. Jonah. As the proprietor of

these enterprises, as well as of others, he was very successful. A Baptist in religion, he was an active worker in the church of that denomination, in which he held the office of a Deacon, and in the tenets of which he brought up his entire family. He had twelve children, three sons and nine daughters, namely: John M., the subject of this sketch; Mary J., who married Solomon Berry, and resides in Hillsboro, N.B.; Catharine, who became the wife of David Jonah, and is now deceased; Annie, who became Mrs. Lewis H. Steeves, and has also passed away; Adalaide, who married Bamford Jonah, but is no longer living; Amelia, who is unmarried and a resident of Hillsboro; Elizabeth, who married a Mr. Woodworth, and resides in Hillsboro; William H., who lives on the old homestead; Lucinda A., now Mrs. Gabriel T. Steeves and a resident of Hillsboro; George A., now deceased; Amanda M., the wife of Ansley Dryden and a resident of Hillsboro; and Sarah V., now Mrs. Tuttle, who lives in New Hampshire.

John M. Jonah grew to manhood in his native town. The eldest son in a large family, his services were needed on the home farm at an age when most boys were thinking of tops and marbles. Consequently his opportunities for obtaining an education were very limited. He attended school for a period not exceeding a year and a half before reaching the age of nineteen. But ambition is a good spur, and the youth soon showed the stuff of which he was made by his success in self-improvement. Much was learned by reading and observation;

and, when subsequently a chance to study with a teacher in the vicinity presented itself, the latter found an apt pupil, who soon bade fair to excel his master. But a short time elapsed before the willing student was able to secure a third-class teacher's license and, after twelve months' further instruction in a Normal School, a first-class license, under which he taught for about a year and a half. He was then promoted to a superior school, where he received a larger salary, and by industry and perseverance he continued to advance as long as he continued to teach, a period of about three years and nine months in all. In 1856 he took up the study of medicine, and, entering Harvard Medical School, was there graduated in 1860. Locating first, after receiving his diploma, in Westmoreland County, New Brunswick, he stayed there about seven years. Then in 1867 he came to Eastport, where he has since remained, having been for thirty years engaged in the active practice of his profession. His skill has kept pace with his experience and with the tremendous advance of medical science since he first found himself entitled to write M.D. after his name, and as a natural result he has held his place in the confidence of his patients and in the esteem of the general community. The Nestor of the medical profession in Eastport, he can look back upon his early struggles to gain an honorable place among those engaged in the higher professions, with the consciousness that the position obtained is his solely as the result of his own hard, honest, earnest work, in spite of initial disadvantages.

He was married November 14, 1861, to Charlotte L. Wood, who was born in Fred-erickton, N.B., October 8, 1833, a daughter of Sylvester and Isabella I. (Peters) Wood. The Peters family is among the most prominent in New Brunswick. Dr. and Mrs. Jonah are the parents of six children; namely, Sylvester M., Horace V., Minnie A., Emma M. L., William E., and Edwin B. Sylvester M., who was born August 31, 1863, died November 20, 1883. Horace V., born October 24, 1864, is a physician, resident in Eastport, having been graduated in 1890 at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York. He is unmarried. Minnie A., born May 14, 1867, is the wife of Stanley E. Johnson, of Nantucket, Mass. Emma, who was born June 14, 1869, married Charles P. Kemp, of Eastport, Me. William E., born July 4, 1873, is a graduate and Bachelor of Arts of Acadia College, Nova Scotia, and is now engaged in the study of medicine at Bowdoin College. Edwin B., born December 12, 1875, is a law student in the office of L. H. Newcomb, of Eastport.

Dr. and Mrs. Jonah are Baptists in religion. In politics the Doctor is independent, reserving the right to exercise his judgment untrammelled by party shackles. He has been somewhat active in town affairs, having served as a member of the School Board and as City Physician. Among the foremost in the vanguard of reform, he has done much to advance the cause of temperance in this locality. He is a member of Eastern Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M., of Eastport; and of Anchor Lodge,

No. 41, Knights of Pythias, of Eastport. He is also a member of the Maine Medical Society, the Alumni Society of Harvard, the Maritime Association, and of the Medical Association of New Brunswick, in which Province he is entitled to practice medicine as well as in the United States.

WARREN F. POPE, the well-known lumber manufacturer of East Machias, was born in this town, March 30, 1861, son of James Otis and Olive Frances (Chase) Pope. His earliest ancestors in Maine, both paternal and maternal, came originally from Massachusetts; and representatives of each family served as officers during the Revolutionary War.

Ralph Pope, born in 1673, from whom the subject of this sketch is a descendant in the seventh generation, is the first progenitor of whom he has any authentic knowledge. Ralph Pope was left fatherless at the age of thirteen years. He succeeded to the possession of the homestead farm in Dorchester, Mass., where he became one of the successful farmers of his day; and records show that he was elected to various town offices, besides filling other positions of trust. He married Rachel Neale, of Braintree, Mass., and his son, Dr. Ralph Pope, was born November 10, 1705.

Dr. Ralph Pope practised medicine, but little is known of his professional career, except that he was noted for his invariable refusal to accept a fee for services rendered on

the Sabbath. He cultivated a farm, was interested with his brothers in the lumber business in Stoughton, Mass., and he is said to have owned at least one slave. On November 27, 1729, he married Rebecca Stubbs, born in Hull, Mass., March 18, 1707, daughter of Richard and Rebecca (Lobdell) Stubbs. Dr. Ralph Pope died when his eldest son, Frederick, was seventeen years old; and the responsibility of carrying on the farm and operating the mill devolved upon the latter.

Frederick Pope served as a Corporal in the company which marched from Stoughton to Lexington on April 19, 1775, under the command of Captain Peter Abbott. In June of that year he recruited a company of fifty-eight men to serve one month and nine days. Although he was afterward known as Colonel Frederick Pope, there is no record of his holding a higher commission than that of a Captain. He was a member of the General Court of Massachusetts in 1787 and subsequently for a number of terms; and he died in Stoughton, August 20, 1812. His wife was Mary, daughter of Joseph Cole.

Their son, Samuel Ward Pope, the next in line, was born in Stoughton in February, 1763. Soon after the close of the Revolutionary War he accompanied his brothers to South Carolina, where they engaged in house building. Soon after his arrival he met and subsequently married Mary Wood, an educated and accomplished lady of prepossessing appearance. They both died at Charleston in April, 1797, the victims of an epidemic, leaving several children.

William Pope, one of the number, grandfather of Warren F., was born in South Carolina, March 30, 1787. After the death of his parents he came North, and resided with his grandfather until eighteen years old, when he went to Dorchester to assist his uncles in lumbering. Having acquired a knowledge of the business, he in November, 1807, came to Machias and established the lumber business which has since remained in the family's possession. This enterprise developed into large proportions under his able direction, retaining its extent and prestige after his retirement, and is still one of the largest concerns in Eastern Maine. In 1821 William Pope was elected to the Board of Selectmen, serving in that capacity until refusing further nomination. He was chosen a member of Governor Kent's Council, held commissions in the State militia from Lieutenant to Colonel, and declined to accept that of Brigadier-general, which was tendered him.

In 1844 he returned to Boston, taking a part of his family with him, and leaving the business in charge of his sons. After re-establishing his residence there, he served one year in the Common Council, four years in the Board of Aldermen, and two years in the Massachusetts House of Representatives. He was one of the original Board of Directors of the Boylston Bank, organized in 1845, and was once elected president, but declined the honor. Throughout his entire life he displayed sterling integrity inherited from his ancestors; and this, together with his sound judgment in business affairs and his kind,

compassionate, and sympathetic nature, especially marked him for the respect and admiration of all who knew him. On September 27, 1810, Colonel Pope married Peggy Dawes Billings, born in that city, March 6, 1788, daughter of William and Lucy (Swan) Billings, the former of whom was a noted musical composer and lecturer in his day.

James Otis Pope, Warren F. Pope's father, was born in Machias, February 17, 1822. He became a member of the firm of William Pope & Sons, later S. W. Pope & Co., and, eventually succeeding to the business, conducted it energetically and successfully until his death, which occurred March 19, 1893. In politics he supported the Republican party with activity, but was never a candidate for office. Olive F. Chase, whom he married June 9, 1857, was born in East Machias, June 9, 1835. She was the daughter of Simeon and Louisa (Foster) Chase and a granddaughter of Captain Ephraim Chase, a brief account of whom is appended to this sketch. James Otis and Olive F. Pope were the parents of five children, namely: John Adams; Warren F., the subject of this sketch; Arthur and Helen, who are no longer living; and Macy Stanton Pope, a civil engineer in Boston. The mother was a member of the Congregational church.

Warren F. Pope was educated in the public schools of East Machias and at Gray's Business College, Portland. The affluence of his father removed from him the necessity of depending upon his own resources; but his business ability discovered itself at an early age,

and he succeeded to an interest in the lumber manufacturing enterprise left by him. Possessing a taste for architecture, he has planned and erected several houses, among them his own residence, which is one of the handsomest in town; and some artistic pieces of furniture which ornament its interior bear ample testimony to his skill in the use of tools.

Mr. Pope married Kittin M. Stewart, daughter of Jacob W. Stewart, of Machiasport, and has two children living; namely, Morrill S. and Winona Helena Pope.

In public affairs Mr. Pope is actively interested. He is at the present time a member of the Board of Selectmen. He is a Past Master of Warren Lodge, No. 2, F. & A. M.; is connected with Warren Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; St. Elmo Commandery, of which he is Standard Bearer; and Delta Lodge of Perfection. He is also a member of Machias Lodge, Ancient Order of United Workmen. Mr. Pope attends the Congregational church, and Mrs. Pope is a member thereof.

The following is a brief account of the career and public services of Captain Ephraim Chase, Warren F. Pope's maternal great-grandfather, printed *verbatim* from extracts taken from his dairy:—

"I was born in Freetown, Bristol County, Mass., June 1, 1744. My father was a sea captain; and, when I had attained the age of seven years, he took me on board as a cabin boy, in which capacity I continued nine years. At this time I was apprenticed to learn the

trade of a house carpenter (1765). At the age of twenty-one I married Miss Lydia Hathaway, of my native town, and removed to Nantucket, where I resided four years, working at my trade (1769). Thence I removed to Machias, where I have continued to reside until the present time. Here I labored at the carpenter business six years, when difficulties commenced between England and our colonies. [Captain Chase took part in the capture of the "Margaretta," the first naval engagement of the Revolution. He was chosen one of eight who comprised a Committee of Safety to convey despatches and the prisoners to Cambridge, Mass., whither they proceeded in two vessels carrying out their instructions.] After the British evacuated Boston, I commenced coasting from that place to Machias, and continued in it until 1777 or 1778. In March of that year I received a commission from Congress or General Court, through Colonel Allen, authorizing me to 'cruise in the State's service.' The 'Nesquit, mounting ten guns, was placed at my command (1778). However, before I had completed my arrangements for entering on the business of said commission, Congress countermanded the orders, and stationed me at Machias to defend the harbor and supply the troops and Indians with food and clothing. I entered on this business, and performed the duties to the best of my ability, and continued in it until 1782, when the General Court at Cambridge ordered Colonel Allen to send the 'Nesquit' to that place. I being out of health at that time, the command devolved upon Elijah

Ayres, my First Lieutenant, who proceeded to Cambridge with the 'Nesquoit.'”

Captain Ephraim Chase died of measles in East Machias, April 17, 1836, aged ninety-two years.

ASA PARKER, one of the largest real estate owners in Orneville, Piscataquis County, was born in Monroe, Waldo County, July 9, 1818, son of Luther and Betsey Rich Parker. The paternal grandfather was an early settler in Castine, Me., where he practised law, and for a number of years held the appointment of Judge. He reared a family of eight children, and lived to an advanced age. Luther Parker, one of his younger sons, born in Castine, spent the greater part of his life in Monroe, where he was a prosperous farmer. An active and progressive man, he took a leading part in town affairs, and acted as a Justice of the Peace. He died at the age of sixty-seven years. Betsey Rich Parker, his wife, was a native of Jackson, Me. Of their nine children, two are living: Asa, the subject of this sketch; and Joseph M. Parker, a retired merchant of Philadelphia. The others were: William, Sewall, Lorenzo, Luther, Otis, Eliza, and Sarah. The mother died at the age of forty-two years. In his earlier years the father was a Whig in politics. Later he was a Republican. He was a member of the Congregational church.

Asa Parker was reared and educated in Monroe. In his boyhood he divided his time between assisting his father upon the farm and

attending the district school. The school-house was a primitive building of rough boards, without plaster or ceiling upon its interior, and heated by an open fireplace. With a natural craving for books, Asa made the most of his limited opportunities, acquiring more than ordinary proficiency in the common branches of study, including a good knowledge of English grammar, in which he was considered an authority in this section of the State. At the age of twenty-one he began teaching school, an occupation he followed for twenty-seven winters. The high reputation he gained as an instructor was mainly due to his natural aptitude for educational work. The rest of the year he devoted to agriculture. Having purchased a farm of little value, he diligently applied himself to improving its fertility, with the result that in course of time it became one of the best pieces of agricultural property in Monroe. In 1858 he sold his farm, and became the mill superintendent for George A. Pierce, of Frankfort, who owned some five or six thousand acres of land lying in the region of the Piscataquis River. Mr. Parker moved to Orneville, where he acted as the authorized agent of Mr. Pierce in selling this land, of which he purchased two thousand acres himself. He was afterward engaged in general farming, the manufacture of lumber, and the real estate business. At one time he owned five thousand acres of land, which he sold to good advantage. At the present time he owns about two thousand acres. For twenty-one years he was station agent in Orneville for the Bangor & Piscata-

quis Railroad, now the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad, being the first one appointed after the completion of the line to this point. Since he resigned some years since, the company has presented him with an annual pass every year. In farming he is governed by scientific principles, studying carefully the character of the soil, and applying such fertilizers as he considers best suited to its condition. It is worthy of note, as an example of his progress, that he was the first to introduce the cultivation of cranberries in Monroe.

On July 2, 1844, Mr. Parker was first joined in marriage with Margaret C. Twombly, who was born in Monroe, May 17, 1824. His second marriage was contracted April 30, 1881, with Mrs. Charity Smith Howe, who was born in Belfast, Me., June 30, 1827. Her parents, Samuel and Mary Smith, were natives respectively of Belmont and Camden, Me. The father, who was a farmer and a millwright and considered a skilful mechanic, lived to be eighty years old. The mother died at the same age. By her first husband Mrs. Parker has one daughter, Mrs. Minnie Bragdon, of Bangor. Mr. Parker's children by his first wife were born as follows: Sarah B. J., May 7, 1845; Albert S., December 28, 1846; Elzi F., August 5, 1849; Howard J., October 21, 1854; Cora E., March 21, 1856; Katie M., October 21, 1859; Walter A., June 27, 1861; and Emma B., May 20, 1863. Of these, three are living: Howard J. and Walter A., who are extensive shingle manufacturers in the State of Washington; and Katie M. Parker, who married a Congregationalist min-

ister of the same name, and resides in Tiverton, R.I. Mr. Parker has acquired considerable wealth. His success in life is due to his natural ability and good judgment. In politics he is a Republican. Besides serving as a Selectman he has held the office of superintendent of schools for a number of years, evincing a deep interest in educational matters. In religious belief he is a Congregationalist. He is favorably known throughout this section, and is a member of Lodge No. 63, I. O. O. F., of Milo.

HENRY D. PIKE, a retired business man of Calais, Washington County, was born in this city, August 8, 1848, son of Samuel G. and Ellen (Trickey) Pike. The great-grandfather, Timothy Pike, who went from Newbury, Mass., to Portland, Me., spent his last days in Saccarappa, where he died August 1, 1818. The maiden name of his wife was Elizabeth Jones. Samuel Deane Pike, the grandfather, a native of Westbrook, Me., died in that town, April 6, 1824. At Falmouth, Me., in July, 1802, he married Mary Webb.

Samuel G. Pike, Henry D. Pike's father, was born in Westbrook, November 6, 1811. Shortly after coming of age, he located in Calais, where he entered a mercantile business in partnership with Edward A. Barnard. This firm, Barnard & Pike, which was one of the important business houses of that day, at a later date restricted itself to the flour and grain trade. After some time Mr. Pike with-

drew from the firm, and went to Gorham, where he carried on a large farm for a time. Then, disliking agricultural pursuits, he returned to Calais, and entered into a second partnership with Mr. Barnard, that continued until he retired from active business. As a business man he was widely and favorably known throughout this section of the State. He served with ability as City Treasurer for upward of twenty years. His death occurred on September 23, 1887. Ellen Pike, his wife, whom he married on February 4, 1841, was born in Westbrook, May 16, 1818, daughter of Daniel Trickey, of that town. She became the mother of three children, namely: Adeline Gordon, on March 7, 1845, who married Fred L. Clayton, now of Baltimore, Md., and died February 18, 1874; Henry D., the subject of this sketch; and Elizabeth Ellen, on July 31, 1851, who married Edward G. Goodnow, late of Calais, and died December 23, 1873. The father attended the Congregational church, and the mother was a member of the society.

Having begun it at a private school in Calais, Henry D. Pike completed his education at Phillips Andover Academy. After leaving school he engaged in the flour and grain trade, as a member of the firm of S. G. Pike & Co. In 1888 he retired, after a prosperous business career. He was one of the incorporators of the Calais Savings Bank. His property includes, with other valuable real estate, one of the handsomest residences in the city. He is a man of intellectual ability and refined tastes. Beyond casting his

vote independently of parties, he makes no show of interest in public affairs. On June 1, 1882, he was united in marriage with Lelia Evelyn Gilkey, a daughter of L. P. and Josephine Gilkey, of Baltimore, Md. He attends the Congregational church

CHARLES E. DUNN, a resident of Houlton, is well known throughout Aroostook County as a member of its Board of Commissioners. A son of Columbus Dunn, he was born January 9, 1844, in Amity, Me. The father, who was born and reared in Cornish, York County, Me., in early life removed to Amity, where he was successfully engaged in agriculture until his death, at the age of seventy-seven years. A man of strong individuality, firm in his convictions, and the possessor of a keen sense of right and justice, he labored incessantly in the cause of humanity, being especially interested in the temperance agitation and the abolition of slavery. One of the two Republicans in a Democratic town and the only abolitionist, he was often ridiculed and called the "Black Republican." He took an active part in local affairs, and served in the most important town offices, including those of Selectman and school superintendent. Earnest and logical in his arguments when called upon to address an assembly, he often converted opponents to the cause he was championing. To him and his wife, whose maiden name was Rebecca Snow, eleven children were born, as follows: Caroline, who is

the wife of Erastus Haskell, of Hartford, Conn.; Clark, who resides in Colorado; Frances, who is the wife of George Palmer, a business man of New York; John and Christopher, now deceased; Albert, who is engaged in railroading in Mexico; Charles E., the subject of this sketch; George, now a resident of Colorado; Sarah, the wife of De Witt Pond, of Hartford, Conn.; and Oscar and Eva, both of whom died in infancy. The parents were members of the Baptist church, in which the father was a Deacon for many years.

Charles E. Dunn attended the district schools of Amity in his youth. Subsequently he assisted in the farm labors of the homestead until after the breaking out of the Civil War. In 1864, in response to the call for volunteers, he enlisted in Company G, Twentieth Maine Volunteer Infantry, and served until the close of the war. He participated in the engagements at Gravelly Run and Five Forks, and on the surrender of Lee was at Appomattox, his regiment having been one of those detailed by General Grant to receive the arms of the rebel soldiers. Returning in September, 1865, to Amity, Mr. Dunn resumed farming with his father, remaining with him on the old homestead for ten years. Beginning in 1875, he was engaged in general farming on his own account until 1892, when he came to Houlton. True to the principles in which he was brought up, he has been an ardent worker in the cause of temperance, no man in the county having devoted more time to its advancement. In 1884 and 1885 he represented Amity in the State legislature,

serving in the Public Buildings Committee and in the committee appointed to consider the question of enlarging the capitol. Prominent in the affairs of Amity, he filled most of the town offices, including that of Selectman for a dozen or more years; and he was the chairman of the Republican Town Committee for a prolonged period. Chosen to fill out the unexpired term of A. A. Burleigh, County Commissioner in 1890, he was elected to the same office in 1892 for a term of six years, and re-elected in 1898 for a further term of six years.

Mr. Dunn was made a member of the Grand Army of the Republic at the Frank Hunter Post in Hodgdon, of which he was for a time Adjutant. Afterward he transferred his membership to the A. S. Russell Post, of Houlton. He united with the Baptist Church of Amity when young, and was for some years one of its Deacons. In November, 1874, he married Miss Adeline H., daughter of Edmund Cone, of Amity, Me. They have three children; namely, Albert E., June J., and Carrie E. Albert is in the Junior class of Brown University at Providence, R.I.

FRANK H. BILLINGS, one of the active business men of Brooksville, Hancock County, was born in this town, August 31, 1860, son of John H. and Flavilla (Young) Billings. The paternal grandfather, John Billings, was a pioneer of Brooksville. His log house stood in the immediate vicinity of his grandson's present residence. Having

reclaimed from the wilderness a good farm, he cultivated it for the rest of his active period, and lived to the age of seventy-six years. He married Rebecca Wood, whose parents were among the first settlers in Blue Hill.

John H. Billings, Frank H. Billings's father, was born in Brooksville, May 20, 1839. When a young man he learned the stone-cutter's trade, and afterward followed it for twenty-five years. At one time he owned a quarry. He gave up business some years ago, and is now residing upon a part of the old homestead property. Formerly he was quite active in public affairs, and held some of the town offices. The community regarded him as an estimable neighbor and a worthy citizen. Flavilla, his wife, became the mother of six children, namely: Frank H., the subject of this sketch; Horace, who died while young; Hattie; Grace; Lewis; and Eunice. Hattie married W. Frank Eaton, of Sedgwick, and has one son, Percy. Grace married Albion Clauson, and has two children — Olin and George. Eunice married Jay Saunders, of Blue Hill.

Frank H. Billings attended school in Brooksville. After completing his studies he learned the blacksmith's trade, which he has since followed for twenty years. He purchased of his father the homestead farm of sixty acres, and in 1892 he opened a general store. After the store was burned some time ago, he erected a suitable building upon his own land, and resumed business. He has now a flourishing trade. By his marriage

with Nellie Tainter, of Surry, Me., he has one daughter, Alice. In politics he is a Republican, and his first Presidential vote was given to James G. Blaine in 1884. He has served the town in the several capacities of Constable, Collector, and Selectman, and he is a member of the Patrons of Husbandry.

PON. WILLIS E. PARSONS, of Foxcroft, was born at Sangerville, Me., May 16, A. D. 1854, the third son of Levi and Lydia (Ellis) Parsons.

Levi Parsons was the son of John and Polly (Hanniford) Parsons, and was born in Canton, Me., December 25, 1823, being the youngest of ten children. He was given the name of his uncle, his father's eldest brother, Levi Parsons, who was a prominent clergyman in the earlier days of New Hampshire and Vermont. One of the early histories of New Hampshire spoke of this clergyman as a leading divine of the State and an able preacher. He was undoubtedly the same one to whom ex-Vice-President Morton's mother was related, as the biography of Mr. Morton says that he was named Levi Parsons Morton for his mother's brother, a former clergyman of New Hampshire. This branch of the Parsons family, which came from England in the early days of the colonies, settled in Massachusetts, and extended later into the State of New Hampshire and the then Province of Maine.

Lydia Ellis Parsons, born June 7, 1828, was the daughter of Freeman Ellis and Eunice (Shedd) Ellis. Freeman Ellis was the son of

Freeman Ellis, second, and Lydia (Fuller) Ellis. Lydia Fuller was of the sixth generation from Dr. Samuel Fuller, of Plymouth Colony, the first physician and surgeon in New England. Freeman Ellis, second, was born in Plymouth, 1779, and was the son of Freeman Ellis, Sr., and Sarah Bradford Ellis, who were married at Plymouth in 1766. Her father, Gideon Bradford, was the second son of Lieutenant Samuel Bradford, who was the second son of Major John Bradford, and was born in Plymouth in 1683. Major John Bradford was the son of Major William Bradford, and was born in 1651. Major William Bradford, son of the second Governor of Plymouth Colony, was born in June, 1624. He was an officer in King Philip's War, and at one time had command of the army. He was Deputy Governor of Plymouth Colony. William Bradford was born in the north of England in 1588, went to Holland when a young man, came over in the "Mayflower," and was the second Governor of Plymouth Colony, being chosen in 1621, and holding that office thirty-one years. He died in office in the sixty-ninth year of his age. Mr. Parsons, by a more minute genealogical record, which has been preserved in the family for generations, thus traces his line, on his maternal side, back to his Colonial ancestors, including those sturdy Pilgrims of the "Mayflower," Governor Bradford and Dr. Samuel Fuller.

The boyhood days of the subject of this sketch were mostly spent in Northern Maine, his parents moving to Aroostook County when he was six years of age. He was educated at

Fort Fairfield High School, Houlton Academy, Burlington Academy (Vt.), taking later a four years' university course in English. He learned the trade of architect and builder, taught school, read law with the late Hon. A. G. Lebroke, of Foxcroft, and was admitted to the Piscataquis bar, September term, A. D. 1878, then forming a copartnership as the law firm of Lebroke & Parsons, which existed for several years, or until Mr. Parsons was elected county attorney. He served many years on the School Board of Foxcroft, is still secretary and treasurer of Foxcroft Academy, is present Town Agent of Foxcroft, and was county attorney for three full terms, receiving each re-nomination by acclamation. He has been four years a member of the Republican State Committee, solidifying and thoroughly organizing the party in his county, and was a member of the last Maine House of Representatives, being nominated by acclamation and receiving an overwhelming majority at the polls. He is the present Senator for Piscataquis County, being nominated to that position, also, by acclamation, and elected by the largest majority ever given in that county. Always a Republican, he has been actively engaged, on the stump and otherwise, for the advancement of the principles of his party in every campaign since 1880.

Although a strong partisan, Mr. Parsons never takes politics into his business or social relations, and has in his large clientage many persons opposed to him politically. In all party organizations he counts warm personal friends, whose confidence he enjoys to the

fullest extent; and it is truthfully said of him that he never plunges his clients into lawsuits when he believes it for their interest to avoid expensive litigation. He is public-spirited, and always deeply interested in the material advancement of every section of the county. He believes in the future of the State, its wealth of natural resources, and the splendid character of its inhabitants, and is more than an admirer of its beautiful scenery. He is enthusiastic over its attractions as a summer resort, especially the great northern preserve, and believes that Piscataquis County, embracing Moosehead Lake on the one side and Mount Katahdin on the other, with the thousand hills, streams, and lakes that lie between, is the most favored spot of all.

Although a busy lawyer, he enjoys an occasional outing with rod or gun, and has a finely located cottage on the shore of Sebec Lake, a beautiful sheet of water, surrounded by hills and mountains, and styled the Geneva of Maine. He is a member of St. John Commandery, Bangor. He is an Odd Fellow and a Mason, and has frequently been called upon to deliver addresses at the gatherings of these orders. His religious preferences are Congregational; and he has been a member of that church in Foxcroft for many years, joining on a letter from the Methodist denomination in Houlton, Me.

On the twenty-third day of October, 1890, Mr. Parsons was united in marriage to Miss Agnes Gilman, the accomplished daughter of R. D. Gilman, Esq., of Foxcroft. Their

home is pleasantly situated on Main Street in Foxcroft.

HJALMAR EDBLAD, a respected business man of Houlton, Aroostook County, son of Harold and Emma (Tillander) Edblad, was born March 4, 1857, in Gottenburg, Sweden. His mother was of German parentage. In 1871 the family emigrated to America, and settled in New Sweden, Me. Here the father engaged in farming for a livelihood. In 1878 he was accidentally drowned in the Meduxnickeg River, leaving his widow with a family of nine children, of whom Hjalmar was the third-born.

Hjalmar Edblad, who had come to Houlton in search of work previous to the death of his father, found a home in the family of a Mr. Heywood, who gave him his board for his services. He was subsequently employed by E. Woodbury, of whom an account may be found elsewhere in this work, to look after stock. A bright, studious lad, he made the best of the opportunity given him in Mr. Woodbury's employment to attend school, advancing rapidly in his knowledge of the English language, with which he was almost entirely unacquainted when he first came to Houlton. After a short time his services were availed of in assisting Mr. Woodbury in his grocery store and express business. The wages he so earned enabled him to assist his widowed mother in supporting her large family. During the last eight years of the twenty-one that he remained with Mr. Woodbury, he assisted

him in the post-office, of which he had almost exclusive control for the last four years, managing it efficiently and to the satisfaction of his employer and the people. After severing his connection with Mr. Woodbury, Mr. Edblad became an agent for Nelson & Clark, commission merchants of Charlestown, Mass., whom, with headquarters at Houlton, he represented until the death of the junior member, in December, 1894. Since that time he has built up a thriving business with different parts of New England in potatoes, which, besides buying, he raises in large crops on land hired for the purpose. He now owns a large storehouse near the station of the Bangor & Aroostook Railway. In addition to dealing in potatoes, he is also agent for the Bowker Fertilizing Company of Boston, for whom he does an extensive business.

In politics Mr. Edblad is a Republican, and for three years he has been one of the Town Committee. In 1897 he was elected to the Board of Selectmen of Houlton, and in 1898 he was elected Road Commissioner. Fraternally, he is a Mason; and he has served in the St. Aldemar Commandery as Junior and Senior Warden, and is now Deacon of the organization. He likewise belongs to the A. O. U. W. A man of broad Christian spirit, he is an active member of the Episcopal church. On January 21, 1885, he married Hannah A. Pray, a daughter of Elijah Pray. Their only child, Horace P., died August 14, 1894, aged five years. Having begun life with no capital save that of willing hands and a persistent spirit, Mr. Edblad is now

prosperous and a good sample of our self-made men. With manly modesty, however, he does not take all the credit to himself, but gratefully acknowledges his indebtedness to the encouragement and wise counsels of Mr. Woodbury and his family.

ANDREW ROGERS GILSON, architect and builder of Machias, Me., was born in Perry, Me., on the 14th of July, 1840. He is the son of Henry and Margaret (Rogers) Gilson. His father, who is a native of Ireland and was a weaver by trade, came to this country at the age of twenty-two, and settled at Perry, where he engaged in farming.

Henry Gilson now owns a large farm, and makes a specialty of producing butter. In politics he has always been a Republican since first he came to America. He married Margaret, daughter of Andrew Rogers, of Perry. They have the following named children: Mary Ann, who is the wife of Stephen H. Johnson, of Pembroke, Me.; Rebecca, who is the wife of E. E. Stoddard, of Machias; Andrew R., the special subject of this sketch; Louise, now deceased, who was the wife of Wellington Frost, also deceased; Lucy, who is now Mrs. Wiggins, a widow, residing at Roxbury, Mass.; William, who lives in Taunton, Mass.; Joseph, who resides at Jamaica Plain, Boston, Mass.; and Margaret, now Mrs. Little, a widow, residing in Boston.

Andrew R. Gilson attended the common

schools during his boyhood, and obtained the elements of a practical education. At the age of twenty he went to Whitneyville, where he served fifteen months as an apprentice at the carpenter's trade. Enlisting at the end of this time, early in the Civil War, in Company F of the Sixth Maine Infantry, he was sent on with his regiment to defend the national capital. At the close of his term of enlistment he returned to Machias, where he finished learning his trade, and subsequently engaged in business for himself. He has become the leading builder in this section of the State. He employs from twelve to fifty men, and has built all the large blocks in Machias, also the Universalist church and the public library. He had charge, too, of the work upon the court-house and the jail at the time these buildings were rendered fireproof. Besides this he has been the contractor for all the large blocks in Jonesport. Mr. Gilson makes his own plans and designs, and has won quite a reputation as an architect.

He married Corris Ann, daughter of William E. Pennell, of Machias. Of the five children born to Mr. and Mrs. Gilson, three are living, namely: Fred P.; Emery G., who resides at Hudson, N. Y.; and Harry L. In politics Mr. Gilson is a Republican. For a number of years he served as Selectman of the town. Fraternally, he is a member of Harvard Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons; of Washington Chapter; of Bradbury Post, No. 15, G. A. R.; and of the local body of the American Order of United Workmen.

ALEXANDER C. DOUGHERTY, a successful general merchant of Henderson, Piscataquis County, was born in Nelson, New Brunswick, August 31, 1847, son of Thomas and Jane Dougherty, both of whom were also natives of that place. Thomas Dougherty, a man of energy and enterprise, was a successful farmer and lumberman. He and his wife are now deceased. They had nine children, of whom John, William, Thomas, and Elsie have passed away. The five now living are: Alexander C. and Charles H., residing in Minnesota; Frank R., in Kansas City, Mo.; Sarah, the wife of Frank A. Whittier, of Passadumkeag, Me.; and Abram G., of Fort Fairfield, Me.

When a small boy Alexander C. Dougherty came with his parents to Maine, and his boyhood days were passed at Passadumkeag, Penobscot County. He attended the district schools of that town, and then entered the business college at Bangor, Me., thus fitting himself for a mercantile career. After leaving school he followed different lines of business, and made his home in Passadumkeag up to 1889. He then came to Henderson, then Brownville Junction, and embarked in the business which he now conducts. By faithful attention to details and studying the needs of his customers he has built up a good trade, and has the largest store in Henderson village. He deals in dry and fancy goods, gentlemen's furnishings, footwear, groceries, and provisions.

In 1873 Mr. Dougherty was married to Miss Mary McLain. She died in 1877, leav-



ALEXANDER C. DOUGHERTY.

ing two little daughters — Elsie M. and Eva B. He was again married in 1879 to Miss Etta M. McLain. By this union there are no children living. Mr. Dougherty votes the Republican ticket. It was largely through his instrumentality that the post-office was established here; and he served as Postmaster from 1889 to 1893. He now holds the office of Justice of the Peace. His religious views are liberal. Fraternally, he is a member of Horeb Lodge, No. 93, F. & A. M., of Lincoln, Me.; and of Silver Lake Lodge, No. 114, K. of P., of Henderson, Me.; and of the Independent Order of Foresters, Court No. 857, at Henderson.

ALBERT H. SAWYER, of Calais, Washington County, a representative lumber manufacturer of the city, son of Thomas and Maria (Dyer) Sawyer, was born here, August 15, 1835. The father, who was a native of Phillipston, Mass., born January 2, 1801, graduated from Middlebury (Vt.) College. About the year 1826 he came to Calais, where he was employed as a clerk in the general store of his brother Abner. Then he entered a mercantile business for himself, and at the time of his death, which occurred in 1862, he was one of the oldest merchants in the city. In politics he was a Whig, and he belonged to the faction that favored the candidacy of Daniel Webster for President. His religious creed was the Congregationalist. Maria Sawyer, his wife, was a native of Calais and a daughter of Jones

Dyer. Her father was born in 1775, and his birthplace was probably Machias. Having settled in Calais among the pioneers, he became one of the wealthiest residents of the town. His death occurred about 1860, in the city of Philadelphia, whither he had removed. An able and progressive business man, of upright character, he was highly respected. His wife, Lydia, was a daughter of Captain Ephraim Knight, the Revolutionary patriot who is said to have fired the first gun in the encounter that resulted in the capture of the British gunboat "Marguerite" off Machias Harbor. Thomas and Maria Sawyer were the parents of five children, three of whom lived to maturity, namely: Albert H., the subject of this sketch; Caroline and Mary, who are residing in Boston.

Albert H. Sawyer went from the public schools of Calais to the North Yarmouth Academy, and completed his studies at the academy in Hampden, Me. He commenced his business career in partnership with his father. Since 1873 he has given his attention to the manufacture of lumber. At one time he owned and operated mills in Benton, Woodstock, and Hartland, N.B., sawing annually about twelve million feet of long lumber and an equal amount of shingles, laths, etc. In 1897 he sold his plants in Benton and Woodstock. The Hartland mill, which he still retains, turns out about ten million feet of long and short lumber yearly, and employs two hundred men. He is also interested in the Jackson and Lakeview Mining Company, of California, of which he is the president,

and in the Calais Towboat Company, of which he is a director.

Mr. Sawyer is a Republican in politics. He served in the Common Council for a number of terms, was the president of that body for two years, and was a Presidential elector in 1896. A Royal Arch Mason, he belongs to St. Croix Lodge and Chapter in this city. His wife, Eliza McAdam Sawyer, is a daughter of the Hon. John McAdam, who was formerly a prominent business man and politician of St. Stephens. They have one daughter, Mildred A. Sawyer.

WILLIAM KITTREDGE, a well-known resident of Mount Desert, Hancock County, son of Dr. Kendall and Sarah (Whiting) Kittredge, was born upon the farm he now owns and occupies, February 28, 1815. The father, who was a pioneer on the island, came from Billerica, Mass., his native town, to Maine, when twenty-two years old, locating first in Castine and in Mount Desert in 1795. The island was at that time sparsely inhabited by pioneer families scattered over its surface, drawn hither by the plentiful supply of seafowl and fish to be found upon the shores and in the harbor. The Doctor purchased a tract of land in the present town of Mount Desert at three cents per acre. Besides clearing the land and visiting his patients, he was obliged to assist in the construction of roads. His professional duties called him to all parts of the island, sometimes travelling on horseback, fording

the bays at low tide, and not unfrequently being obliged to journey on foot and upon snow-shoes. During some of his long tramps he had to lie down in the woods from sheer exhaustion; but his natural energy was such that, in spite of the fatigue and exposure endured by him, he lived to be eighty-four years old. He married Sarah Whiting, of Hollis, Mass., and reared a family of ten children, of whom Mary Ann and William are living. The family is noted for longevity. Eight members of it lived to be over seventy years old, six passed eighty, and one, Benjamin Kittredge, was ninety-three at his death. Calvin died at the age of fifty-four; Hosea, at seventy; Almena, at eighty-six; Martha, at eighty-seven; Nehemiah, at eighty-three; Edwin, at seventy-eight; and John, at sixty-four. Mary Ann resides in Olean, N. Y., and is now eighty-seven years old.

Having begun in the district schools, William Kittredge completed his education at the Blue Hill Academy. He resided at home, assisting in the farm duties, until he was twenty-one. Then he went to Ellsworth, where he learned the wheelwright's trade. At the age of twenty-five he went to Long Island, N. Y., and worked at this trade there for five years. From Long Island he returned home in order to care for his parents during their last years; and, resuming his trade, he followed it in connection with farming and the manufacture of lumber. In 1845 he married Jane Young, of New York, and has since reared a family of six children; namely, Sarah F., Ellen K., Mary E., Byron W., Ernest

R., and Lizzie Kittredge. Sarah F. married Charles Bickford, and resides in West Newton, Mass.; Ellen K. is the wife of Frank C. Wiggin, and resides in Eden; Byron W. is married and lives in Hooker, Cal.; Mary E. married William G. Kincade, and is residing in Derry, N.H.; Ernest R. and Lizzie, who are not married, reside at the homestead. Mrs. Kittredge died in the fall of 1896. At one time Mr. Kittredge was Treasurer of the town of Mount Desert, and was more or less active in public affairs for many years. He cast his first Presidential vote for the Whig candidate who opposed Martin Van Buren in 1836; joined the Republican movement at its formation; and, although he still upholds that party's principles, his pronounced views upon the temperance question compel him to support the Prohibition party at the polls. Since early manhood he has abstained from the use of intoxicants, is an earnest advocate for the temperance cause, and is a member of both the Independent Order of Good Templars and the Sons of Temperance.

DAVID E. DINSMORE, a thriving dairy farmer and milk dealer of Dover, Piscataquis County, Me., was born in the adjacent town of Foxcroft, November 4, 1848, son of Sanford C. and Lucy (Gilman) Dinsmore. He bears the name of his immigrant progenitor, a native of Ireland, of Scottish descent, who came to this country in 1745, and settled in New Hamp-

shire. In the History of Chester, N.H., David Dinsmore of that early day is spoken of as working at his occupation of tailor in Londonderry, N.H., and later as buying land in Chester.

Arthur Dinsmore, son of David, born in 1752, married Margaret Fulton, and in 1794, with his wife and nine children, removed to Anson, Me. Arthur, Jr., the youngest child, then an infant, was brought on horseback, there being at that time no carriage roads.

Arthur Dinsmore, Jr., grandfather of the subject of this sketch, became a substantial farmer, occupying the same farm till his death. On September 10, 1865, he and his wife celebrated their golden wedding, which was attended by their eleven children; and this couple lived to observe the sixtieth anniversary of their marriage, which was attended by nine children, Abner and Susan having died. Seven of their children are now living; namely, Mrs. Betsey Hilton, Sumner, Sewall, and Zebina Dinsmore, Mrs. Clara Houghton, Austin and Thomas Dinsmore. The others were: Luke, Abner, Mrs. Susan Hale, and Sanford C. Dinsmore. Arthur Dinsmore, Jr., was in his later years a Republican in politics. He was a member of the Congregational church, of which he officiated as Deacon several years; and he acceptably filled several town offices.

Sanford C. Dinsmore, David E. Dinsmore's father, was born in Anson, August 20, 1822. The active period of his life was spent in Dover, where he was engaged in farming. He owned one hundred and thirty acres of the

farm which is now occupied by his son. Industrious and progressive, he made various improvements in his property. He was a prominent and respected citizen. Politically, he acted with the Republican party, but had no aspirations for office. In his religious belief he was a Congregationalist. He died April 13, 1873, aged fifty-one years. Lucy B. Gilman, his wife, who was born in Norridgewock, Me., April 4, 1827, became the mother of four children, namely: David E., the subject of this sketch; Clara; Martha E.; and Arthur A. Clara is the wife of F. H. Brown, of Fairfield, Me.; and Martha E. is the wife of W. A. Hill, of Sangerville, Me. Arthur A. Dinsmore, who resides in Dover, has twice married. His first wife was Nellie Colcord, of Dover, Me., and after her death he married Elizabeth Barrows. Mrs. Lucy B. Dinsmore is still living, and resides in Sangerville.

David E. Dinsmore began his education in the common schools, and completed his studies at Foxcroft Academy. Adopting the teacher's profession, he taught twenty-seven terms; and then, relinquishing educational work, he turned his attention to farming. Since succeeding to the possession of the homestead property, he has added adjoining land, and, now owning two hundred and sixty acres, has a fine set of buildings, including a new barn, one hundred by forty feet. In 1890 he engaged in the milk business, having a large number of regular customers in Dover and Foxcroft. He keeps twenty-five Durham cows, several horses, and a herd of swine.

He is one of the best known and most prosperous farmers of his neighborhood. His residence, which is situated upon high ground, commands an extended view of the surrounding country. He acts with the Republican party in politics, has been superintendent of schools fifteen years and a member of the Board of Selectmen three years. He is a Past Master of the local Masonic Lodge; Past Grand of Kineo Lodge, I. O. O. F.; is connected with the Patrons of Husbandry, of Foxcroft; and the New England Order of Protection, of Dover.

Mr. Dinsmore married Frances Lyford, of Dover, daughter of the late Eleazar and Mary (Harriman) Lyford. Mrs. Dinsmore is the mother of two children: Sanford C., born November 6, 1880; and Mary L., born November 16, 1882. Mr. and Mrs. Dinsmore attend the Free Will Baptist church. Sanford C. Dinsmore, their son, went to Augusta as a member of Company F, Second Maine Regiment, in answer to the call for volunteers in the Spanish-American War (1898); but, the quota being filled, he was with the rest of the company sent home after remaining there three weeks.

HIRAM SWAIN STEWARD, a retired business man of Skowhegan, Me., was born in this town, August 7, 1827, son of Josiah and Nancy (Webb) Steward. On both paternal and maternal sides he comes of long lines of New England ancestry. Solomon Steward, of Rowley, Mass., his great-

great-grandfather, who was born about 1700 and died in 1788, is said to have served under Captain Harman at the taking of Norridgewock. The children of Solomon Steward were: Benjamin; Solomon, Jr.; Phineas; Daniel; William; Jacob; and Mary.

Daniel Steward, the fourth son as here named, great-grandfather of Hiram S. Steward, was born in Rowley, Mass., in 1735, and moved to Lunenburg, Mass., about 1750. He died in Fitchburg, Mass., in June, 1802. In 1756 he was married to Mary, daughter of Abraham Ireland. She died in Norridgewock, Me., January 30, 1818. They had eleven children, namely: Daniel, Jr.; Benjamin; John; Amasa; Amherst; Stephen; Thomas; James; Mary; Sally; and Betsey.

Daniel, Jr., who was Hiram S. Steward's grandfather, was born in Lunenburg, Mass., October 3, 1758. He removed to Canaan, Me., in 1775, and in 1784 he located at Skowhegan Falls in the town of Norridgewock. Both he and his father served in the Revolutionary Army. About 1780 he was married to Rachel Kemp. She was born August 21, 1761, and died October 18, 1839. He died September 15, 1840. The following is a brief record of their children: Polly, born March 8, 1782, died January 4, 1861; Daniel, born November 16, 1783, died May 7, 1858; Thomas P., born in February, 1787, died in February, 1837; Josiah, who was born September 19, 1789, died October 16, 1865; Eli, born in May, 1792, died in May, 1842; Eber, who was born May 17, 1796; Benjamin, who was born December 28, 1801, died February

15, 1892; and Sally, born August 21, 1804, died April 7, 1886.

Josiah Steward, the third son and the father of the subject of this sketch, was a lifelong farmer of Skowhegan. He was a member of the Christian church. His wife, Nancy, was a daughter of Christopher Webb. She lived to be about fourscore years of age. Twelve children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Steward, and eleven of them attained maturity. Four of these are now living: James, who is seventy-five years of age; Hiram Swain, whose personal history is given below; Sylvanus B., a retired farmer; and Franklin, a farmer of Skowhegan.

Hiram S. Steward acquired his early education in the common schools of Skowhegan. He learned carriage-making with Thomas C. Ross, of this town, and in 1849 went to California, making the voyage in a sailing-vessel, going around Cape Horn. During his stay of three years and a half in that State he worked at carriage-repairing and blacksmithing. He remained in Skowhegan for three years following his return, and was the pioneer in oilcloth manufacture here. A stock company was formed, in which the principal shareholders were A. and P. Coburn, S. D. Arnold, Benjamin W. Norris, and Osgood Sawyer; and business was conducted in the name of Norris, Coburn & Co. for five years. A factory was erected in 1854, and was in operation until 1863. Mr. Steward, however, returned to California about 1857, and was engaged there in sheep-raising for three years. He then travelled extensively for three months in Iowa,

Minnesota, and Wisconsin. He finally located himself at Waterloo, the county-seat of Black Hawk County, Iowa, and, purchasing a lot of sheep in Michigan, let them out to the Iowa farmers. Wool at that time was selling at a dollar a pound. Mr. Steward also was engaged in milling at Waterloo, where he owned and managed a grain elevator, also a grist and flour mill. Here he remained some four years. In 1865, returning to his native State, he brought with him a quantity of flour, and started a wholesale business, which he managed successfully until 1872. It was a new enterprise in this part of the country, and Mr. Steward had little competition to contend with. In 1872 he built the Island Mills, which were under his management for twenty-two years, and which he still owns. Mr. Steward has a fine farm, and since his retirement he has found much pleasure in agricultural pursuits. He was a charter member of the Skowhegan Water Works Association.

Mr. Steward cast his first Presidential vote for Zachary Taylor in 1848. He was Selectman of Skowhegan a number of years, and was chairman of the board in 1880. Elected on the Republican ticket to the State legislature, he was in the House in 1879 and 1880, serving on the Committees on Interior Waters, Legal Affairs, and Railroads. He was made a Mason in 1849 in Somerset Lodge, No. 34, but obtained a demit when he went West, with the intention of joining a Western lodge. This, however, he neglected to do, and he failed to renew his connection with the home lodge on his return.

Mr. Steward has been twice married. His first wife, who died after the birth of two children, was Caroline, daughter of Constantine and Cynthia White. The present Mrs. Steward is her sister, Cynthia. Their father's grandfather, John White, Sr., was one of the early settlers of Skowhegan, coming here from Fitchburg, Mass., about 1773; and his wife, Mrs. Mary Whitney White, daughter of Samuel Whitney, was the first school teacher in this town. John White, Sr., of Fitchburg and Skowhegan, was a lineal descendant of the immigrant John White, who was at Salem, Mass., in 1638, and in 1653 was one of the planters of Lancaster, Mass.

John White, Jr., Mrs. Steward's grandfather, came to Skowhegan with his father, being at that time a boy of nine years. He was a farmer. Constantine White was engaged in manufacturing shoes and also in farming in this town for a number of years. Mrs. Steward's maternal grandmother, whose maiden name was Olive Moor, was the daughter of Major John Moor by his wife, Peggy, daughter of Colonel John Goffe.

John Moor was the son of Samuel and Deborah (Butterfield) Moor, of Litchfield, N.H., then called Naticott. He served in the French and Indian War and in the Revolution. At the battle of Bunker Hill he was Captain of a company, and was promoted to the rank of Major.

By his first wife Mr. Steward has one son, Frank R., and one daughter, Alice; by the second he has a son and a daughter, John W. and Mary A. His sons carry on the business

at the Island Mills. Frank R. Steward married Bertha Farrand. John W. Steward married first Nettie B. Frost; and after her death he married his present wife, whose maiden name was Agnes Safford. Alice Steward is the wife of Willard B. Steward, a dry-goods merchant of Skowhegan; and Mary A. is the wife of Edward W. Heath, of Waterville.

JOHN FRANKLIN KNOWLTON, of Ellsworth, Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court for Hancock County, has been a resident of this city since 1890. Born March 19, 1856, in Montville, Waldo County, he is a son of John Colby Knowlton. His paternal grandfather, the Rev. Ebenezer Knowlton, who was born in New Hampshire, until after his marriage lived in the Granite State. As a minister of the Baptist church he was settled in Montville in 1823, and preached there until 1850. Then he retired to the farm which he had previously bought, and there spent his last days. To him and his wife, whose maiden name was Abigail True, three children were born: John C., Ebenezer, and David.

John C. Knowlton, born in Pittsfield, N.H., was about a year old when his parents took him to Montville. Here he subsequently resided until his demise in 1887 at the age of sixty-five years. A man of ability and energy, he was the owner of a saw and grist mill, and carried on an extensive business. Much interested in the welfare of the town, he rendered valuable service in all the

important local offices. He married Sarah A. Webb, a native of Albion, Me., and a relative of Judge Webb, of Waterville. They reared four children, as follows: Charles E., who died at the age of thirty-six years; Emma, who married Daniel Tarr, of Sutter Creek, Cal., and lives in Southern California; Caro, who is the wife of the late F. O. Keating, of Appleton, Me., and John F., the subject of this biography.

John F. Knowlton acquired his elementary education in the district and high schools of Montville. Afterward he attended the Bucksport Seminary and an educational institution of note in Augusta. From 1876 to 1877 and from 1880 to 1890 he was a professor in the East Maine Seminary at Bucksport, Me. He resigned his position in the seminary to accept the appointment of Clerk of the Supreme Court for Hancock County, an office which he has since satisfactorily filled. He is also Recorder of the Municipal Court of Ellsworth. Valuable service was rendered to the community by him in the capacity of superintendent of schools, a position which his former experience as a teacher specially qualified him to fill. He is now the president of the local School Board. Fraternaly, he is a Knight Templar, an Odd Fellow, and a member of several less extensive secret organizations. Politically, he is a straight Republican; and in 1880 he cast his first Presidential vote for James A. Garfield, and has never missed an election since. On December 4, 1878, he was married to Miss Jessie Meservey, a daughter of Albert Meservey, of

Appleton, Me., and a niece of President Meservey of the New Hampton Literary Institution. He is now the father of four children; namely, Ethel M., Morris W., Charles C., and Hazel M.

HENRY HUDSON, an able lawyer and one of the leading citizens of Guilford, was born in this town, March 19, 1851, son of Henry and Emily F. (Martin) Hudson. The father, born in Canaan, N.H., October 26, 1824, was admitted to the Piscataquis County bar in June, 1849. Having previously settled in Guilford, he was in active practice here until his death, which occurred June 24, 1877. For years he sustained the reputation of a leading lawyer in this county. He was active and industrious, displaying much energy and ambition. His extensive practice made him a well-known figure in the courts of Piscataquis and Penobscot Counties, where he fought many hotly contested cases. The income of his business enabled him to acquire a large estate. A Democrat of the most pronounced type, he sincerely believed the fundamental principles of his party to be the most substantial basis of a liberal republic; and he made his influence felt in both the County and State organizations. He was frequently chosen to attend district and State conventions, and was a delegate to the national convention held in New York in 1868. The community had the advantage of his services in the capacity of Town Agent for several years. He married

Emily F. Martin, who was born in Guilford, May 13, 1831, daughter of the late Addison and Lydia (Otis) Martin. Her father, who was a pioneer merchant and a prominent citizen of Guilford, died in 1876. Her mother, who was a relative of General O. O. Howard of the United States Army, was killed by lightning, July 5, 1842. The children of Henry Hudson, Sr., and his wife were: Henry, the subject of this sketch; Micajah and James, born respectively in November, 1855, and on October 22, 1857, both of whom are merchants in this town; and a daughter who died young. The mother, surviving the father, resides with her son Henry.

Henry Hudson, the subject of this sketch, attended the Foxcroft Academy, completed his preparatory course at the Coburn Classical Institute in 1871, and graduated from Colby University with the Class of 1875. Having read law in his father's office from an early age, he was admitted to the bar in the September following his college graduation. He had practised in court since 1872. Now he opened an office in Dover; but in 1877 he returned to Guilford in order to take charge of the large practice left by his father, to whom he has since proved himself a worthy successor. He is the president of the First National Bank of Guilford. Like his father, he acts with the Democratic party. One of the most active party leaders in the county, he was a delegate to his party's national convention held at St. Louis in 1888; and he has been a candidate for nearly every county office. Although his party is in the minority, he has served as a

Selectman and superintendent of schools, was Town Agent from 1872 to 1897 with the exception of one year, Town Treasurer from 1881 to 1897; and he was appointed a County Commissioner by Governor Plaisted in 1881, to serve for the year 1882.

On February 22, 1877, Mr. Hudson was united in marriage with Ada M. Lougee, who was born in Dover, daughter of James S. and Betsey (Lunden) Lougee. Mrs. Hudson is the mother of two sons: James H., born March 21, 1878, who is a student at Colby University, class of 1900; and Leslie E. Hudson, born October 25, 1882, who will enter the Coburn Classical Institute at Waterville this fall. As one of the well-to-do residents of this town Mr. Hudson takes a lively interest in its development and general prosperity. He is a member of the Maine Bar Association. The family occupy a handsome residence in the village, and attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

JESSE M. RAY, a well-to-do and respected resident of Surry, Hancock County, was born in this town, August 17, 1824, son of Robert and Edith (Wormwood) Ray. Robert Ray, who was born and reared in one of the coast towns of Maine, after his marriage settled in Surry, which was then in its earliest stage of development. Having bought a tract of unbroken land on the Shore Road, he cleared a part of it, and for a time tilled the soil. He subsequently sold that property, and purchased land on the

Bay Road, on which he was engaged in general farming and lumbering until his death, at the advanced age of seventy-nine years. His wife died at the homestead, in the sixty-sixth year of her age. Their family included fourteen children, namely: Susan and Henry, deceased; Mary, who first married the late Jacob Lord, and is now the wife of Philip Brown, of Surry; Phoebe, the wife of Philip Milliken, of Surry; Jane, Ingalls, Nathaniel, Almira, and Nancy, deceased; Jesse M., the subject of this sketch; Adeline, deceased; Archibald, a resident of Massachusetts; and Frederick and Augustus, twins, who live in California.

Making the most of the educational advantages offered him at the district school, Jesse M. Ray obtained a good knowledge of the subjects there taught. Having a natural aptitude for mechanical pursuits, he afterward learned the trade of house and ship carpenter, and followed it in this locality for many years. Skilful in the use of tools, he was kept busily employed during his days of activity, and made carpentering and joining his chief occupation through life, although he was also engaged in trade for a time. A few years ago he built a fine residence in the village, where he and his family have since resided.

In politics Mr. Ray has been a faithful supporter of the Republican party since its formation. His first Presidential vote, cast in 1848, was given to Zachary Taylor. During one term he represented his district in the legislature, and he was Town Treasurer for nine years and Collector of Taxes for three

years. His religious belief brings him into fellowship with the Methodist Episcopal church, with which he united several years ago. In 1848 he married Miss Jane H. Milliken, a daughter of the late James Milliken and a sister of Henry J. Milliken, of whom a brief sketch appears elsewhere in this work. The only child born of their union, Emily J., died at the age of eighteen years.

CROWELL C. HALL, M.D., a successful and popular physician of Dover, son of Aretus H. and Ann S. (White) Hall, is a native of St. Albans, Somerset County, Me., born November 16, 1853. His grandfather, James Hall, a descendant of one of three brothers who came from England, was an early settler of Athens, Me. A progressive and industrious man, James was actively engaged in the care of his farm until his death, in Athens, at a good age.

Aretus H. Hall also followed the occupation of a farmer. In connection therewith he was likewise engaged in lumbering to a considerable extent. Up to 1861 or 1862 he lived in Athens or St. Albans. At that time he went to California, where he was engaged in lumbering for the remainder of his life, which closed in 1895. His wife, Ann S., who was born in Skowhegan, Me., died in Lowell, Mass., in 1879. They were both Congregationalists in religious belief. In politics he was a Republican. Of their six children Anna and Nellie E. have died. The living are: Clara A., the wife of W. N.

Baker, of Delano, Cal.; Alfreda, the wife of William M. Trafton, of Malden, Mass.; Crowell C., the subject of this sketch; and Albert S., an employee of the State of California and a resident of Delano, Cal.

Crowell C. Hall grew to manhood in St. Albans, Me., receiving his early education in the common schools. He subsequently attended Foxcroft Academy for a time, and later entered the Maine Central Institute at Pittsfield. Still later he took up the study of medicine at the Portland School for Medical Instruction. He next entered Bowdoin College, and afterward became a student of Dartmouth College, graduating from the latter in 1876. After practising medicine for five years in Monson, Me., he spent two winters in the New York hospitals. Returning again to Monson, he continued to work at his profession until 1888, when he came to Dover. Here he has remained since, acquiring an extensive practice, frequently receiving calls from points several miles away, and making the reputation of one of the best physicians in Piscataquis County. His association with Dr. Thompson, of whom a sketch appears elsewhere in this work, makes this firm one of the most widely known in the county. Besides his medical practice Dr. Hall is quite largely interested in lumbering, being the owner of large tracts of timber land, from which the timber is being cut.

In May, 1876, Dr. Hall was married to Lizzie E. Dexter, a native of Dover and a daughter of Holman J. and Emily Dexter, of this place. Their children are: Robert E.,

born in Monson, Me., March 19, 1883; Crowell C., born in Monson, November 21, 1885; and Margery, born in Dover, December 5, 1891. In politics the Doctor is a staunch Republican, and has served as the chairman of Piscataquis County Republican Committee. He is now County Treasurer, to which position he was elected in 1896. While a resident of Monson he served on the School Board for ten years, and was its chairman throughout the greater part of the time. He is a trustee of the Thompson Free Library at Dover; a director of Kineo National Bank since it was established in 1887; a director and one of the largest stockholders in the H. J. Dexter Wood-working Company, a well-known enterprise of Foxcroft; a trustee of the old Foxcroft Academy, one of the oldest institutions of learning in Piscataquis County, and of which he was a student, as noted above; and the president of the Dover and Foxcroft Light and Heat Company. Thus it is seen that Dr. Hall has found time outside his professional duties to interest himself quite largely in matters of public interest. He has a handsome residence in Dover.

GEORGE B. SAFFORD, the president and general manager of the Bloomfield Shoe Company in Skowhegan and a veteran of the Civil War, is a native of Yarmouth, Cumberland County, Me., born in 1843. Through his father, John Derby Safford, he is of English origin. His American ancestors resided in Salem, Mass., and were

seafaring men. Nine members of the Safford family served in the Revolutionary War, some in the navy and others in the army.

Nathaniel Safford, the grandfather, who was born in Salem, having learned the trade of a hatter, moved to Yarmouth, where he carried on business as a hat manufacturer for a number of years, served in several important town offices, and was a Representative to the legislature. In religious belief he was a Baptist, and he acted as a Deacon of that church. He married Sarah Derby, who belonged to the Derby family of Salem, and whom he survived some years, she dying at about fifty, and he at eighty years. Of his four sons and three daughters, John D., the eldest, a native of Salem, learned the hatter's trade, and afterward succeeded to his father's business in Yarmouth. Later he became superintendent of Charles Ingalls's hat factory in Methuen, Mass., in which town he died at the age of fifty-four years. He was connected with the Baptist church both as a member and Deacon, and in politics he became identified with the Free Soil party. Born of his marriage with a daughter of Samuel Fields, of Yarmouth, there were ten children, of whom George B., the subject of this sketch, was the youngest.

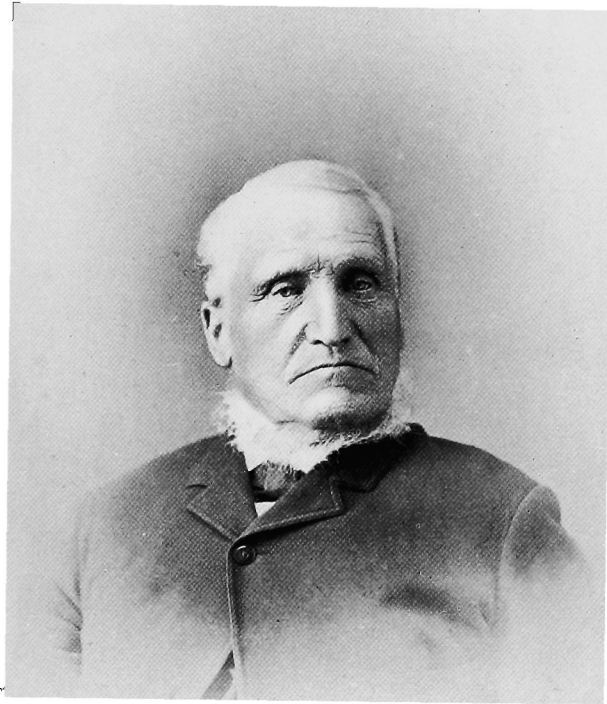
George B. Safford attended the common schools of Methuen, including the high school. His father's death made it necessary for him to support himself at an early age; and he was apprenticed to William Thomas, a tanner and shoemaker of Manchester, Me., where young Safford remained four years. Afterward he was employed by William

Clafin Coburn & Co. in Hopkinton until August, 1861, when he enlisted as a musician in the Eleventh Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry. The Eleventh was attached to General Case's division in the Peninsular Campaign under General McClellan, and participated in the battles of Fair Oaks and Malvern Hill. Mr. Safford was detailed as hospital steward, having charge of the medical stores during the retreat from Fair Oaks to Harrison's Landing, and remained with the Eleventh until musicians were dispensed with by act of Congress in the latter part of 1863. On receiving his discharge then, he re-enlisted as a private in Company C, Twenty-ninth Maine Regiment. During his ensuing term of service he accompanied Banks's expedition up Red River; served under General Sheridan in the Shenandoah Valley, being present at the battles of Winchester, Fisher's Hill, Cedar Creek, and other engagements; and was slightly wounded in the leg at Cedar Creek. After participating in the Grand Review at Washington, he did garrison duty for some time in Charleston, S.C., and was subsequently mustered out as Corporal in September, 1865. He then took a position as travelling salesman for a boot and shoe manufactory, and was later superintendent of a shoe factory in Richmond, Me., where he remained until 1881. In that year he established a factory in Pittsfield, Mass., for Morgan Dore & Libby, in whose employment he remained one year. In 1882 he became associated with the Keene Brothers, of Lynn, Mass. That firm, being desirous of starting

a country factory, intrusted the selection of a suitable location to Mr. Safford, who chose Skowhegan, having been favorably impressed with the inducements offered to establish the enterprise in this town. Ground was broken in September, 1882; and the factory, which was erected under his personal supervision, was ready for occupancy on April 1 of the following year. The Bloomfield Shoe Company was incorporated in 1893. After the death of Mr. Keene, the senior partner, Mr. Safford became the president and general manager. The company employs an average of two hundred and fifty operators, whose daily output of two thousand pairs of shoes is marketed in the United States, England, and Australia.

Politically, Mr. Safford is a Republican. He is Worshipful Master of Somerset Lodge, F. & A. M.; is connected with Somerset Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and with Mount Moriah Council, Royal and Select Masters; and he is Senior Warden of De Molay Commandery, Knights Templar. He is also Past Commander of Russell Post, No. 96, G. A. R.; and the president of the Soldiers' Home at Newport, Me. In 1868 Mr. Safford married a daughter of William Libby, of Gardiner, Me. His daughter, Agnes, is the wife of John W. Steward, of Skowhegan.

REMAN WHIPPLE, Esq., the subject of this sketch, was one of the best known business men and lumbermen in Somerset County. He was born in Solon, Me., January 22, 1821.



HEMAN WHIPPLE.

The Whipple ancestry can be traced back to 1634 or 1635, when two brothers, John and Matthew Whipple, settled at Ipswich, Mass. According to the best information now obtainable, they were probably sons of Matthew Whipple, of Bocking, Essex County, England. (See Emmerton & Waters' "Gleanings from English Records.") Bishop Whipple is a descendant of David Whipple, who some years later settled at Providence; while William Whipple, the signer of the Declaration of Independence, was a descendant of John, of Ipswich. Eleazer Whipple, of Pepperell, Mass., the great-grandfather of Mr. Heman Whipple, was a great-grandson of John, of Ipswich. On April 19, 1759, Eleazer Whipple was married by the Rev. Joseph Emerson, great-great-grandfather of Ralph Waldo Emerson, to Abigail Chamberlin, of Pepperell. They had four children: Sarah, born March 28, 1760; John, born September 13, 1761; Eleazer, born 1765; Joseph, born September 9, 1769. Eleazer Whipple, Sr., joined Colonel Prescott's regiment, Captain Jonathan Nutting's company, and marched to Bunker Hill on June 17, 1775; and it is supposed he was killed, as he never returned after the battle.

Eleazer, Jr., came when a young man and settled in Solon, Me., on what is now called Bay View Farm, near Carretunk Falls. He married Alice, the only daughter of David and Sarah (Mainer) Pierce, of Norridgewock, Me., a descendant of Thomas Pierce, of England, who settled at Charlestown, Mass., in 1634, and who was the emigrant ancestor

of President Franklin Pierce. Eleazer and Alice (Pierce) Whipple, the grandparents of Mr. Heman Whipple, had six children, namely: John, born in 1791; David, born May 12, 1792; Betsy, born in 1796; Abigail, born in 1797; Cephas, the exact date of whose birth is not known, though it occurred between that of Abigail and Hepsibeth; and Hepsibeth, born in 1803.

David Whipple, the second son, the father of Heman Whipple, married Mercy Jackman, daughter of Sergeant Enoch Jackman, of Salisbury, Mass., Mr. Jackman being one of the patriots of the Revolution. The first Jackman to immigrate to this country was James, born in 1611, in Exeter, County Devon, England. He settled in Newbury, Mass. His wife's name was Joanna. They had five children: Sarah, born in 1648; Esther, born 1651; James, born in 1655; Joanna, born in 1657; and Richard, born 1660, who died in 1694.

Richard Jackman married Eliza Plummer. They had four children: Richard, born in 1684; James, born in 1686; Eliza, 1689; and Joseph, born in 1698. James married Mary —; and Enoch, their son, was born in Salisbury, Mass., October 13, 1753. Enoch Jackman entered the American army in December, 1775, and served during the siege of Boston. He again enlisted in 1776 for six months in a company commanded by Captain French, and served in the Lake Champlain region. He served three months, beginning August, 1777, under Captain Clarke, as Sergeant, in General Sullivan's command.

When the expedition was organized for Penobscot in 1779, he enlisted as a marine on board the "Vengeance." This expedition was under the command of Commodore Saltonstall and General Wadsworth. They were repulsed at Bragaduce, and forced to abandon the expedition by burning their vessels and travelling through the wilderness to their homes, enduring great suffering and privations. He lived some time after the Revolution in Salisbury, then moved to New Gloucester, Me., whence he went to Garland; and later on for fourteen years he lived in Solon, where he died December 20, 1833. Enoch Jackman married Hannah French, of Salisbury, March 13, 1781. They had ten children, namely: Betsy, born in October, 1782; John, born March, 1784; Molly, born in October, 1785; Hannah, born June, 1787; James, born July, 1789; Mercy, born March, 1791; Abigail, born July, 1792; Otis; Martha; and Sally — the last three born in Maine, he having removed to this State about the year 1792.

David Whipple was married to Mercy Jackman in February, 1816. They had ten children: Sumner, born January 17, 1817; Emily S., born March 12, 1819; Heman, born January 22, 1821; Hepsibeth, born August 20, 1822; David, Jr., born April 10, 1824; Mercy J., born September 21, 1826; Eleazer, born April 15, 1828; Elvira R., born May 1, 1830; Josiah F., born April 14, 1832; and Enoch J., born March 17, 1835.

Mr. Heman Whipple was one of the best known men in Somerset County, and was an example of what a young man of integrity and

perseverance can accomplish. He worked on his father's farm, and attended school until he was seventeen years old, when he left home, agreeing to pay his father one hundred and twenty-five dollars for the remainder of his time.

He went to work for Eleazer Coburn & Sons for ten dollars per month; but they settled with him for twelve and a half dollars a month, and he was thus enabled to pay his debt of freedom in ten months. He worked summers at carding rolls in a mill at East Madison. When he was eighteen years old, he was appointed master driver on Moose River, a position he held fifty-nine years. In those early days the Coburns carried on nearly all the lumbering business on Moose River. Later a corporation was formed, but Mr. Whipple still retained his position; and when Eleazer Coburn released his business to his sons, A. and P. Coburn, he continued their agent. Mr. Whipple and Philander Coburn explored all the lands the firm was interested in; and, when after Philander's death the whole responsibility fell upon him, it was as carefully handled as if it were his own. He sold stumpage, looked after the lumbering operations, and, in fact, represented the firm. He was often commissioned to go West and explore and sell large tracts of lands in distant States. He continued his confidential relations with Governor Abner Coburn up to the time of the Governor's death. He was subsequently engaged in looking after his own extensive interests. He was also one of the directors and agent for the Moosehead Lake Navigation Company. He was also inter-

ested in large tracts of land which he owned in North Dakota.

Mr. Whipple never had the time or inclination to accept public office. He was Selectman of the town of Solon one year. For several years he was Assessor of Internal Revenue under Mr. Wilcox, and had charge of the ten northern towns of Somerset County. He had been Justice of the Peace over a quarter of a century. He was always an ardent Republican; and, coming from sturdy ancestors and having the best of habits, his great activity only served to keep him in the best of health to the time of his death. Mr. Whipple was public-spirited, ever liberal in his contributions for public and individual needs. His family home was in Solon, but he owned and managed a large farm of four hundred acres, situated on Long Pond, near Jackman. On Tuesday, May 31, 1898, while looking after the interests of the Moose River Log Driving Company, he met a sudden and violent death, on a trestle near Macamp station, by being struck by a special Northern Pacific Railroad train. A special train was placed at the disposal of his son to take his remains to Jackman, from which place they were taken to his home in Solon.

Mr. Whipple was married June 27, 1848, to Jane Lowell, daughter of Jacob and Grace (McFadden) Lowell, of Concord, Me. They had three children: William Lowell Whipple, born August 16, 1849; Eleazer Whipple, born September 7, 1851; and Jennie Whipple, born September 7, 1861. William L. Whipple was married September 3, 1871, to

Myrta Longley. They had five children: Lewis Grant Whipple, born January 15, 1873; Viola Augusta, January 9, 1875; Albert Lawrance, January 28, 1877; Inez Elona, August 6, 1879; and Elva Grace, born September 3, 1881. Viola Augusta died May 14, 1876. Eleazer Whipple, second son of Heman and Jane Lowell Whipple, died April 15, 1858. Jennie Whipple was married October 16, 1884, to Dr. Selden F. Greene, of Solon, Me. They had one child, born June 15, 1886, who died June 27, 1886. Mrs. Jane Whipple, widow of Heman Whipple, is still living in Solon.

FRED G. GREENE, a prominent business man and farmer of Athens, Somerset County, Me., was born at Athens, June 17, 1833. He is a son of the Hon. Charles and Sarah (Sawtelle) Greene; grandson of the Hon. Benjamin and Lydia (Clark) Greene; great-grandson of Benjamin and Martha (Brown) Greene; and great-great-grandson of Samuel Greene, who died in Lexington, Mass., August 10, 1759, aged sixty-three. Samuel Greene probably went to Lexington from Woburn, Mass., about 1718. He was son of a family that came to this country from England about the middle of the seventeenth century.

Benjamin Greene, son of Samuel Greene and his wife, Esther, was born in Lexington, Mass., December 2, 1732. He married Martha Brown, of Waltham, Mass., in 1756 and Eunice Smith in 1770.

The Hon. Benjamin Greene, son of Benjamin and Martha (Brown) Greene, was born at Waltham, Mass., May 5, 1764. He was graduated at Harvard College in the class of 1784, and settled in the ministry in Medway, Mass., in 1788. In 1797 he removed to South Berwick, Me., to take charge of the academy in that place. He studied law with Dudley Hubbard, Esq., and entered the legal profession in 1801. He represented his town in the General Court in 1809, 1810, 1811, 1813, 1815, 1816, 1817, and 1819. He was a member of the convention which framed the constitution of Maine (see "Debates," by Jeremiah Perley, Esq.), and was one of a committee to make application to Congress for the admission of this State to the Union. He was at one time County Attorney, and afterward he was Chief Justice of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas for the Eastern Circuit. In 1824 he was elected to the legislature, and was chosen Speaker of the House. In September of the same year he was appointed by President Adams Marshal of Maine, which office he held until 1830. As Marshal of Maine he received General Lafayette on his last visit to this State. After the death of his wife he removed to Athens, Me., where he lived with his son, Dr. Benjamin F. Greene, until his death, which occurred October 15, 1837. On August 13, 1789, the Hon. Benjamin Greene was joined in marriage with Lydia Clark, daughter of the Rev. Jonas Clark, of Lexington, Mass., and grand-daughter of John Hancock. (For accounts of the Hancock and Clark families

see History of Lexington, Mass., by Charles Hudson, and United States histories.)

The Hon. Benjamin Greene and Lydia Clark had five children; namely, Benjamin Franklin Greene, Frederick Greene, Charles Greene, Henry Bowen Clark Greene, and Bowen Clark Greene. Mrs. Lydia C. Greene died in 1830.

Benjamin F. Greene was born in Marblehead, Mass., February 14, 1794, entered Yale College in 1810, left college in 1812, and entered the army as Lieutenant. At the close of the war he finished his studies, and settled in Athens as a physician and surgeon. He died April 7, 1869. Dr. B. F. Greene was married December 14, 1818, to Elizabeth Moody Gillpatrick, who was born August 29, 1797, a daughter of Richard Gillpatrick, of Kennebunk, Me. (For a history of the Gillpatrick family see History of Wells and Kennebunk, by Edward E. Bourne, LL.D.)

Dr. Benjamin F. Greene and his wife, Elizabeth, had eight children: Benjamin Franklin, born October 26, 1820, died February 8, 1826; Richard Gillpatrick, born August 13, 1823; Charles Franklin, born October 29, 1825; Elizabeth Franklin, born May 12, 1827; Maria Gillpatrick, born July 21, 1829; Lucy Sophia, born October 15, 1831; Mary Bourne, born October 22, 1833; and William Franklin, born March 29, 1841, died April 8, 1841.

Richard G. Greene married in 1851 Laura Merrill, of Oshkosh, Wis., where he resided until his death, May 27, 1893. He left one daughter.

Charles F. Greene married Catherine Smith, of Albion, Me. They had four children, namely: Frank; Kate; C. Fred Greene, of Melrose, Mass.; and Walter, of Boston.

Elizabeth F. Greene was married March 13, 1846, to George W. Collins, of St. Albans, Me., who afterward moved to Aroostook, and was State Senator from that county. They had two children, namely: Charles Collins, of Portland, Ore.; and George H. Collins, editor of the *Star Herald*, of Presque Isle. George W. Collins died August 22, 1896.

Maria G. Greene married September 30, 1856, Gilman Hall, of Athens. Mr. Hall died November 16, 1866. Mrs. Hall married August 24, 1886, Dr. James S. Tobey, of Athens. Dr. Tobey died October 23, 1891. No children were born of either union.

Mary B. Greene married April 23, 1868, Melvin Pond, of Fort Fairfield, Me. She never had any children.

Lucy S. Greene married August 17, 1852, John Henry Sayward, of Alfred, Me. Mr. Sayward was born at Alfred, July 30, 1821. He was merchant and Postmaster there many years, being appointed to the United States mail service in 1869, and remaining until 1885. He represented his district in the legislature in 1860-61 and in 1864-65. He now resides in Portland, Me. Mr. and Mrs. Sayward had five sons and one daughter.

Henry B. C. Greene, fourth son of Benjamin and Lydia (Clark) Greene, was a noted physician and surgeon of Boston. He married Elizabeth Hartly, of Saco, Me. They had eleven children, namely: Elizabeth, deceased;

Mary, deceased; twins, one a daughter, Sarah; Charles; Henry, a noted surgeon of Boston, deceased; Edward, deceased; Helen; George; Julia, deceased; and Lucy, who married Dr. E. P. La Prohon, of Portland, Me., and is still living, the mother of several children.

Frederick Greene, son of Benjamin and Lydia, was a lawyer in Saco, Me. He married Lydia Perkins, and had two children, a son and a daughter.

Bowen Clark Greene was a lawyer in Saco, Me., and a bachelor.

The Hon. Charles Greene, son of Benjamin and Lydia Clark Greene and father of Fred G., the special subject of this biographical sketch, was born at Marblehead, Mass., February 21, 1796. He came with his father to Berwick, Me., fitted for college at Berwick Academy, graduated from Dartmouth in 1811, and studied law with his father and Dudley Hubbard, Esq. He practised law in South Berwick nine years. Then he removed to Norridgewock, Me., and in a few months to Athens, where he practised his profession until his death, August 24, 1852. Charles Greene was Aide to Governor Parris, Senator in the legislature in 1835, Counsellor in 1836, and for several years Judge of Probate of Somerset County, commencing in 1841. He was married July 6, 1824, to Sarah Sawtelle, daughter of Richard Sawtelle, Esq., of Norridgewock, and Sally Ware (sister to John Ware). Miss Sawtelle was sister to ex-Congressman, the Hon. Cullen Sawtelle, who was the father of General Charles Greene Saw-

telle, of the United States army. She was born April 30, 1801. (For a further account of the Sawtelle family see History of Norridgewock, by William Allen; and History of Groton, Pepperell, and Shirley (Mass.), by Caleb Butler; and "Groton Epitaphs," by S. A. Green.)

Charles Greene and his wife, Sarah Sawtelle, had five children, namely: Lydia C., born June 6, 1825; Charles F. H., born April 21, 1827; Sarah S., born February 19, 1829; Mary W., born March 5, 1831; and Fred G., born June 17, 1833.

Lydia C. Greene married General Llewellyn D. P. Palmer, September 5, 1854, was widowed March 23, 1856, afterward married Albert C. T. Hayden, and died April 19, 1870, having never borne children.

Charles F. H. Greene graduated from Bowdoin College in 1849, studied law with his father, and practised his profession in Athens until his death. He married November 14, 1852, Jane M. Morrill. She died November 11, 1859, leaving no children. After her death he married Julia M. Kimball, by whom he had one daughter, Estelle, born August 27, 1865, and died June 9, 1880. He died June 23, 1875.

Sarah S. Greene married Nathaniel S. Robinson, M.D., December 12, 1853. She lived for a time in Skowhegan, Me., where her husband was engaged in the practice of his profession. From that place they removed to Neenah, Wis., where, with the exception of a few months when he was located at Portland, Me., her husband has been en-

gaged in the practice of his profession. Dr. and Mrs. Robinson have had five children, namely: Charles G. Robinson, who was born October 29, 1854, and died September 10, 1866; Mary W. Robinson, born July 12, 1858; Sarah S. Robinson, born June 27, 1864; Nathaniel Robinson; and Katie Robinson, born February 9, 1871.

Mary W. Robinson married Herbert H. Hurd, M.D., of Chippewa Falls, Wis. They have two children, a son, Nathaniel R. Hurd, and a daughter. Sarah S. Robinson married a Mr. Fred Kreuger, and has one daughter, Frederika, by him. Mr. Kreuger died, and she married a Mr. McIsaacs, by whom she has children. Nathaniel Robinson, Jr., graduated at the University of Wisconsin, studied law, and is now practising his profession in Milwaukee. Katie Robinson died May 23, 1871. Mrs. Sarah S. Greene Robinson is still living.

Mary W. Greene married Llewellyn Williams, of Augusta, Me., July 10, 1850, and died August 8, 1851, leaving no child.

Fred G. Greene, the subject of this sketch, was educated at Somerset and Broomfield Academies. When he was nineteen years of age, his father's death left the care and cultivation of the home farm, his birthplace, entirely with him; and he now owns the farm, on which he has always lived. Besides carrying on the farm, which consists of one hundred and forty acres of well-improved land, he at one time dealt quite extensively in cattle, and was for several years engaged in trade in Athens village; while for about three years he

travelled in the interest of a patent right. He has taken an active part in public affairs, having served with ability as Selectman, Town Clerk, and Superintendent of Schools; represented his district in the legislature in 1873, being a member of the Committee on Roads and Bridges, of the Committee on State Prison, and of the Committee on County Estimates; and he has also served two terms as County Commissioner of Somerset County. In politics he is a Republican, and cast his first Presidential vote for John C. Fremont.

On January 1, 1857, Mr. Greene was joined in marriage with Jane H. Hight, daughter of Thomas A. and Sarah (Horn) Hight. She was born in Athens, February 27, 1835, and educated at Somerset Academy. Her father was a prosperous farmer of Athens.

Mr. and Mrs. Greene have had five children, namely: Selden F., born October 15, 1857; Merrill G., born August 24, 1859; Sadie, born April 6, 1862; Mary L., born March 18, 1867; and Helen H., born December 18, 1870. (For personal history of Selden F. Greene see elsewhere in this work.)

Merrill G. Greene is a provision dealer and farmer in Athens, and is at the present time Town Clerk. December 24, 1892, he was joined in marriage with Myrta E. Bush. They have one daughter, Muriel, born March 20, 1894.

Sadie Greene died November 7, 1879.

Mary L. Greene, educated at Somerset Academy, Maine Wesleyan Seminary, and Colby University, was united in marriage September 30, 1890, with George Thompson,

M.D., who is engaged in the practice of his profession in Taftville, Conn. They have two children: Hartwell G. Thompson, born January 5, 1892; and Helen G. Thompson, born July 9, 1894.

Helen H. Greene, educated at Somerset Academy, Coburn Classical Institute, and Colby University, died November 28, 1890.

Fred G. Greene is a member of Wesserunnett Lodge, No. 113, I. O. O. F., and has been its Noble Grand. He is a representative of a highly reputable family, and possesses some valuable relics, including several portraits said to be more than a hundred years old. One of especial interest is that of his grandmother, who was the daughter of the renowned Rev. Jonas Clark, of Lexington, Mass., and grand-daughter of John Hancock. Another object of especial interest is a piece of art work executed in silk by his mother, which is highly prized by him and his children. Mrs. Greene is a member of the Congregational church.

SELDEN F. GREENE, M.D., the well-known physician and surgeon of Solon, Somerset County, was born in Athens, Me., October 15, 1857. He is the elder son of Fred G. and Jane H. (Hight) Greene, of Athens; grandson of the Hon. Charles and Sarah (Sawtelle) Greene, of Athens; and great-grandson of the Hon. Benjamin and Lydia (Clark) Greene, of South Berwick, Me.

Dr. Greene's parents are still living in

Athens. A more extended account of the family will be found in a sketch of Fred G. Greene, which appears elsewhere in the REVIEW.

Selden F. Greene was educated at Somerset Academy; and, after having graduated from Bowdoin Medical College in the class of 1879, he entered the medical department of the University of the City of New York, from which institution he graduated in the class of 1880. He began the practice of his profession at Athens, Me., but in 1881 moved to Solon, where he has since resided. He has a large practice in this and the surrounding towns. Though extremely busy attending to his professional duties, he has found time to render his share of service to the town in a public capacity, having served as superintendent of schools and secretary of the Board of Health. He is chairman of the Republican Town Committee, and was formerly a member of the County Committee.

On October 16, 1884, Dr. Greene was united in marriage with Jennie Whipple, a native of Solon and daughter of Heman Whipple and Jane Lowell Whipple, who are now residing with their daughter. Dr. and Mrs. Greene have had one child, a daughter, who died in infancy.

The Doctor is Past Master of Keystone Lodge, No. 80, F. & A. M.; at present V. G. of Solon Lodge, No. 128, I. O. O. F.; a member of Northern Light Lodge, No. 76, Daughters of Rebekah; and a member of Fall Brook Lodge, No. 19, Ancient Order of United Workmen.

GEORGE M. B. SPRAGUE, for many years a Deputy Collector of Customs at Vanceboro, Washington County, was born in the Province of New Brunswick, Canada, May 20, 1828, son of Eli and Rachel (Hopps) Sprague. The grandfather, Captain Eli Sprague, born November 4, 1768, died August 18, 1850. He was one of the first settlers at Sprague's Falls, Baileyville, Me., and a pioneer farmer and lumberman of that town.

Eli Sprague, who was born in Maine, January 7, 1788, removed when a young man to Miramichi, N.B., and was there engaged in lumbering for a number of years. In 1836 he went to Princeton, Me., and afterward resided upon a farm in that town until his death, which occurred May 19, 1869. Originally a Democrat in politics, he voted with the Republican party in his later years. He was a member of the Christian church. Rachel, his first wife, who was born at Oak Point, N.B., February 18, 1789, became the mother of eight children, namely: Mrs. Nancy M. Haley, of Vanceboro; Mrs. Mary A. Thornton, of Calais, Me.; George M. B., the subject of this sketch; Mrs. Lucy L. Heffren, of Carroll, Me.; Henry A., who resides in Wisconsin; William I., who served in the Mexican War, and was killed at the battle of Cerro Gordo in 1847; Maria Edgerley, who died in 1869; and Spencer M. Sprague, who died in 1888. The mother died in New Brunswick, April 19, 1836. The father's second marriage was contracted with Mrs. Sally Bryant Pineo, who bore him four children. Of the latter two died in infancy. The

survivors are: William A. and Adelaide E., who reside in Wisconsin.

George M. B. Sprague was educated in the common schools of Princeton. In his youth he assisted his father on the farm. At the age of twenty-two he purchased the homestead, and afterward conducted it for about twenty years, also caring for his aged father. Appointed Deputy Collector of Customs for the Passamaquoddy District in 1869, he filled that office, excluding an interval of two years, until 1895, when the exigencies of politics caused his removal. Since attaining his majority he has been more or less active in politics, vigorously supporting the Republican party. While residing in Princeton, he served upon the Board of Selectmen for eleven years, and held other town offices. A resident of Vanceboro since 1870, he has served the town in the capacities of Selectman, Town Clerk, and Assessor, and was a Justice of the Peace for a number of terms.

Mr. Sprague contracted the first of his two marriages on May 1, 1859, with Rhoda S. Colwell, who died October 13, 1870. His second marriage, on September 3, 1871, united him with Maggie Bishop, a native of New Brunswick, born on September 21, 1840. Of his five children by the first wife, the only survivor is Louisa C., now the wife of E. A. Holbrook, of this town. The others were: Charles, Caroline, William, and Addie. Mr. Sprague's second wife is the mother of three children — Marcia A., Mary Etta, and Alden P. Mr. Sprague was made a Mason in St. Croix Lodge, is connected with the Knights

of Pythias in Vanceboro, and is a member of the Christian church.

MICHAEL M. CLARK, a well-known resident of Houlton, Aroostook County, was born in Woodstock, N.B., November 25, 1852. His father, Robert D. Clark, was a native of Glasgow, Scotland; while his mother, whose maiden name was Margaret Crawford, was born in Halifax, N.S., of Scotch parents. Robert D. Clark, a jeweller by occupation, emigrated from Glasgow to Halifax, N.S., when a young man. After his marriage he removed first to Fredericton, N.B., and thence to Woodstock, N.B. Coming from the latter place to Houlton, Me., in 1855, he continued his residence here until his death, which occurred in 1861. He reared eight children, namely: George C., of Houlton; Annie E., the wife of R. H. White, residing in Colorado; Robert D., who is clerk at the Bangor House in Bangor, Me.; Jennie, who lives in Houlton; Michael M., the subject of this sketch; James W., a resident of Boston, Mass.; John V. P., who died in 1861; and Lydia D., a resident of Houlton.

Michael M. Clark completed his school life at the Houlton Academy. He worked for a time in his youthful days on a farm, and was afterward employed as a clerk for several years in different stores and in a hotel. Being a wide-awake, public-spirited man, he has been elected to many positions of trust and responsibility and in every instance he discharged the duties assigned to him with commendable

fidelity and ability. From 1880 until 1884 he was Tax Collector. In 1882 he was chosen Town Clerk, in which capacity he has continuously served since. He was chairman of the Selectmen and Assessors' Boards from March, 1884, until the spring of 1897, when owing to other official duties he declined to serve longer. He was also Clerk of the Superior Court from 1887 until its abolishment in 1893; and since 1887 he has been Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the County Commissioners' Court, offices to which he was re-elected at the State election of 1894 for a four years' term by a majority of upward of three thousand votes. One of the most active members of the Board of Trade, he was formerly its vice-president, and is now the president. The file of county papers which, carefully placed in covers, he has kept on hand for many years, may be consulted at his office at any time, his collection being more perfect than that of most publishers.

Mr. Clark is a member of Rokobema Lodge, No. 78, I. O. O. F., through the chairs of which he is passing for the second time, and in which he has been Grand Master and Noble Grand; of Aroostook Encampment, No. 41, Houlton Canton, of which he is now the clerk; of Rebecca Lodge, No. 78, I. O. O. F.; of the Uniform Ranks of the Knights of Pythias, Company Fifteen, in which he is Captain; of Algonquin Lodge, K. of P., of Houlton, of which he is Past Chancellor; and of the A. O. U. W. Always a Republican, he has been for some years the chairman of the Republican Town Committee, and he is the

present chairman of the Republican County Committee. A member of the Congregational church, he is at the present time serving as chairman of its Prudential Committee. On December 31, 1877, he married Miss Henrietta, daughter of John Braden, of Houlton. Their union has been blessed by the birth of two children — Roland E. and Walter B. The elder son was graduated from Ricker Classical Institute, and is now in the Sophomore class at Bowdoin College. Walter B., the younger, is preparing for college at the institute from which his brother was graduated.

L. DUNNING & CO., dealers in general merchandise at Brownville, are one of the oldest established firms in Piscataquis County. Charles L. Dunning, the senior member of the firm, was born in the town of Brunswick, Cumberland County, Me., April 23, 1827, son of John A. and Hannah S. (Owen) Dunning. His paternal grandfather, John Dunning, was an early settler of Brunswick.

John A. Dunning successfully followed farming in Brunswick for a time. Then he removed to Auburn, Me., and in 1843, six years later, to Williamsburg. Selling his property in Williamsburg in 1869, he came to Brownville, and spent the remainder of his life here in retirement. When a young man he was Colonel of a regiment of State militia, and he served in the War of 1812. In politics he was a Democrat, while his religious belief was the Universalist. His wife, Han-

nah S., was a daughter of Phillip Owen, one of the first settlers of Brunswick, Me., and a Revolutionary soldier. Born in Brunswick, she died in Auburn at the age of forty-five years. John A. and Hannah S. Dunning had five children; namely, Francis E., John F., Phillip, Rachel C., and Charles L. Francis E. and John F. went to the front in the Civil War. The former died in 1896. John F., while Captain of a Company in the Twenty-second Massachusetts Regiment of Volunteers, was killed in battle in June, 1862. Phillip died at the age of four years. Rachel C., the only daughter, is the wife of William Briggs, and resides in Auburn, Me.

Charles L. Dunning spent the first ten years of his life in Brunswick, whence he then removed with his parents to Auburn, which was his home during the next six years. He was educated in the schools of Brunswick, Auburn, and Williamsburg. In 1852, when twenty-five years old, he went to California, and spent two years in the mines and in trade. Returning to his native State in 1854, he settled in Brownville, and in the following year established the business now conducted under the style of C. L. Dunning & Co., in which he has been profitably engaged since that time. In September, 1855, he was married to Harriett Merrill, who was born in Barnard, Me., April 23, 1837, daughter of Adams H. Merrill, who is now deceased. His children are: Charles H., Helena S., and Kate E., all natives of Brownville. Helena S., born in 1864, married Owen H. Williams, of Bangor. She died in 1894, leaving one daughter, Kate

D., who lives with Mr. Dunning. Kate E. Dunning, who was also born in 1864, is an artist and a teacher of painting.

Charles H. Dunning, the eldest child and only son of his parents, is the junior member of the firm C. L. Dunning & Co. He was born July 23, 1859. After attending the common schools of Brownville and completing a college preparatory course in the Hallowell Classical and Scientific Academy, he entered Bowdoin College, from which he graduated in the class of 1883. Three years later he was received into partnership by his father, who has now given the management of the business largely to him. They carry a good stock of goods, and enjoy a liberal patronage. On January 25, 1888, he was united in marriage with Miss Helen S. Getchell, of Hallowell, Kennebec County, Me. They have one child, Robert L., born October 8, 1890.

Both Charles L. Dunning and his son are staunch Republicans. In 1862, under the administration of President Lincoln, the father was appointed Postmaster of Brownville, in which office he afterward served twenty-two years in succession. In 1864 he was a Representative to the Maine legislature. Four years later he was chosen Commissioner of Piscataquis County, a capacity in which he served for three years; and in 1872-73 he was a member of the State Senate. For the past twenty years he has been the chairman of the Board of Selectmen. He is an esteemed member of the Congregational church. His son, Charles H., has been quite active in educational matters, and is now serving his fif-

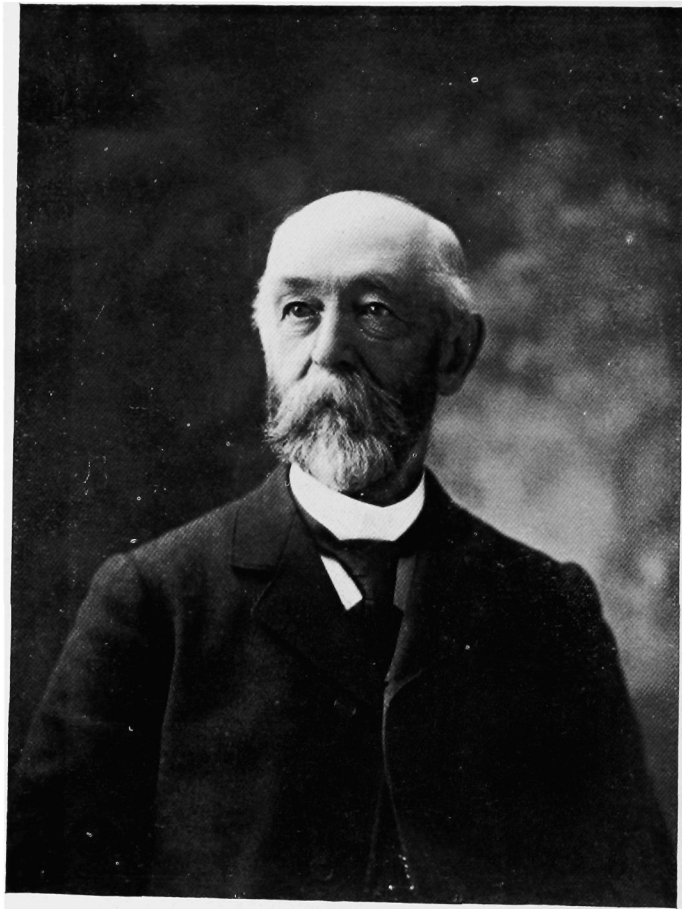
teenth year as superintendent of schools. Under President Harrison he was appointed Postmaster, and served four and one-half years; and he is now serving in the same capacity under appointment of President McKinley. A member of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, F. & A. M., at Brownville, he has been Master for two years; and he is also a member of Piscataquis Chapter, R. A. M., at Dover, Me.

PARKER SPOFFORD, a prominent business man of Bucksport, Hancock County, son of Frederick and Augusta (Parker) Spofford, was born in this town, July 12, 1842. His first ancestor in this country was John Spofford, who came from England with a company headed by the Rev. Ezekiel Rogers in 1638, and was one of the founders of Rowley, Mass. John married Elizabeth Scott, of Ipswich, Mass. Samuel Spofford, son of John, married Sarah Bisbee. Their son, Samuel Spofford (second), married Mary Stickney, and settled in Boxford, Mass. The great-grandfather of Parker Spofford was Amos Spofford, of Boxford, who married Abigail Pearl. The grandfather, Daniel Spofford, married Phœbe Peters, of the Peters family of Blue Hill. They settled in Bucksport in 1803, and reared a large family. A. R. Spofford, librarian of Congress, and several other men of note, are descendants of John Spofford. Frederick Spofford, who spent the greater part of his life in Bucksport, was of a retiring disposition, and avoided notoriety in any form. He died November 20,

1885, in his eighty-eighth year. His wife, Augusta, born in Billerica, Mass., in 1814, died September 25, 1885.

After a course in the district schools Parker Spofford prepared for college at the East Maine Conference Seminary, and graduated from Dartmouth College with the class of 1865. Going West in the fall of that year, he engaged in civil engineering, and for the succeeding seven years was occupied in railroad work. Four years of that period were spent in locating and constructing the Burlington & Missouri River line, a part of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy system. Returning to Maine in 1872, he was engaged to survey and construct the Bangor & Bucksport Railroad, which was completed in 1874. He has also done engineering work on other lines, including the Katahdin Iron Works Railway, the Lime Rock Railway in Knox County, and the Portland & Rumford Falls Railway. In 1893 he constructed a bridge at the last-named place over the Androscoggin River. He is actively interested in several important enterprises outside of his profession, and is one of the most energetic business men of Eastern Maine.

In 1870 Mr. Spofford was united in marriage with Mary E. Spofford, of Dixon, Ill., who is also a descendant of John Spofford, the Rowley pioneer. For the past nine years he has been an active member of the Bucksport School Board, was a Representative in the Maine legislature in 1883 and 1889, and a member of Governor Burleigh's Council in 1891 and 1892. In politics he is a Republi-



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can. His connection with several fraternal organizations includes membership in the Ancient Order of United Workmen, which he served in 1889 in the capacity of Grand Master Workman of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

COLONEL WILLARD BANCROFT KING, who was a member of Governor Robie's staff and the vice-president of the National Bank of Calais, Washington County, was born in Baring, N.B., March 27, 1830, son of Gilman D. and Hannah (Haycock) King. His father, who was a relative of the Hon. William King, the first Governor of Maine, was for many years a prosperous merchant of Calais. After receiving his education in the public schools Willard B. King graduated from the Yarmouth (Me.) Academy, taking the prize for excellence in mathematics. On leaving school he became associated with his father in the firm Gilman D. King & Son, importers and wholesale dealers in general merchandise and the leading mercantile house in the city for a number of years. The elder King was succeeded by his three sons — George G., Willard B., and William T. King, who retained the old firm name, and conducted the business together until the withdrawal of William T. Willard B. King's connection with the establishment continued until the year 1887, when, in company with Clement B. Eaton, he founded an importing house in St. Stephens under the style of King & Eaton. Other

partners were subsequently received; but, before its founder retired, he had been the sole proprietor for some years. He was a director and the vice-president of the Calais National Bank. He was also vice-president of the St. Croix Club and a member of the St. Croix Lodge, F. & A. M. He attended the Baptist church. Politically, he was an earnest advocate of Republican principles, without personal aspirations. While he could not be induced to enter the field as a candidate for any elective office, he accepted a position upon the staff of Governor Robie, who was for years his close personal friend. His kindness of heart is more easily underrated than overrated. It is a well-known fact that no man who sought him for aid was turned away. He was "the poor man's friend." At the time of the Eastport fire he was the first to see the necessity of furnishing immediate relief to the unfortunate victims, and early on the morning following the disaster he started with a load of provisions.

Colonel King contracted the first of his three marriages with Elizabeth Veazie, who died, leaving one daughter, Helen Greenwood. The latter married Charles D. Hill, of the firm Hill, Pike & Co., of this city. Mr. Hill died April 30, 1898. The maiden name of Colonel King's second wife was Phœbe Lee. His third marriage united him with Mrs. Fanny E. Hayden Talbot, the widow of Edward Jerome Talbot, who was a son of the Hon. Samuel Hammond Talbot, of East Machias. Mrs. King is a daughter of Charles H. Hayden, a prominent business man of Washington

County, who died at his home in Eastport, April 18, 1884. Charles H. Hayden was born in Hopkinton, Mass., July 31, 1812. About the year 1828 he came to Eastport to enter the employ of his brother-in-law, General Ezekiel Foster, as a clerk in the latter's store and the salt works. In 1833 he purchased the iron works store in Pembroke, and in 1837 he became associated with Nathan P. Page in the lumber business and the building of mills. Two years after the death of Mr. Page, which occurred in 1844, Mr. Hayden formed a partnership with Stephen C. Foster. He went to California in 1849, but returned in 1850; and in 1853 he and William R. Pattangall purchased Mr. Foster's mills, ship-yards, dwelling-houses, and adjoining land in Pembroke, and were engaged in ship-building in that town and Robbinston until 1865. A few years later he removed to Eastport, where he resided for the rest of his life, carrying on business in Campobello, N.B., until his retirement. In politics he was a Whig until the formation of the Republican party, which he vigorously supported from that time forward; and for some years he was Inspector of Customs at Pembroke. His memory was richly stored with interesting facts and reminiscences. Although he held decided views upon subjects in which he was personally concerned, he was tolerant of the opinions of others. His social qualities were greatly admired. Even while suffering from the disease that ultimately proved fatal, he was the same genial companion as in the days of his health and activity. He was always ready to aid a

worthy object. His daughter, Mrs. King, who has inherited his benevolence, has often exercised it to advantage when the occasion demanded. At one time, in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, she was county organizer and State vice-president. At the present time she is the secretary of the Calais Benevolent Society. She attends the Unitarian church.

Colonel King died April 2, 1897. Besides the condolences of many friends and the St. Croix Club, the family received the following from the officials of the Calais National Bank: "At a meeting of the directors of the Calais National Bank, held April 12, 1897, the following resolutions were adopted relative to the decease of Willard B. King: Whereas the heavenly Father has seen fit in his infinite wisdom to remove from us the vice-president of our bank, and whereas the directors of the bank by his death have sustained a loss keenly felt by us, not only because it deprives us of his wise counsel and sound judgment, but also because it fills us with a personal sorrow; *therefore Resolved*, That we place on record our appreciation of the valuable services which our late vice-president rendered the bank during the seventeen years of his directorship and one year as its vice-president, and our deep sorrow at his removal from the activities of life, and also our heartfelt sympathies for his bereaved family. *Further Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be placed on the records of the bank, and that a copy of the same be sent to the bereaved family, and also published in the city paper."

SAMUEL W. TINKHAM, a highly respected and well-to-do farmer of Anson, was born in this town, May 31, 1816. From his earliest boyhood he has watched with pride the transformation of Anson from a small hamlet to the populous and thriving town it now is. In his youthful days the woods of this locality were inhabited by wild beasts of various kinds; and he has a very vivid recollection of one day seeing a bear and her two cubs take away a cow, kill, and eat her. In the many changes that have been made he has had a part, doing, mayhap, as much as any man now living toward' developing and improving this section of Somerset County.

Ariel Tinkham, the father of Samuel W., was born and reared in Middlebury, Mass., coming from there to Somerset County in 1800. He located on the land now owned and occupied by his son, and which was then in its primeval wildness, making the journey hither across the intervening country on foot, with a pack on his back, and following a path marked by blazed trees. Having taken up two hundred acres of land, he soon made an opening in the forest, and erected a small house, presumably of logs, after which he cleared a patch of land for cultivation, and thereafter kept on making improvements each year. As fast as his funds accumulated he invested in other land, so that at the time of his death he was the owner of a thousand acres in Somerset County. He died on the homestead in April, 1838. His wife, whose maiden name was Susan Bray, a native of New

Gloucester, Me., bore him ten children, namely: Mary, deceased; Samuel W., the subject of this sketch; Josiah, a farmer, residing near the old home farm; Anna, Marinda, and Emily, deceased; John, a wealthy farmer, living retired in the village of Anson, who first married Miss Carturah Houghton and after her death Mrs. Ann Hilton; Paulina, who is the wife of Azel Heald, of Madison village; Susan, living in Anson, who is the widow of the late Andrew Daggett; and Joseph, a farmer in Oregon.

Samuel W. Tinkham spent his early years at home, and was scarce twenty-two years old when his father died. Being the eldest son of a large family of children, it devolved upon him to settle the paternal estate. On receiving his portion of the land, he built the house in which he has since resided. He has profitably devoted his attention to general farming, sheep-raising, and dairying, including the manufacture of butter and cheese. For some years he was interested especially in military matters, and was Lieutenant Colonel of a local company of militia.

On November 28, 1838, Mr. Tinkham married Miss Catherine H. Dinsmore, who was born in Anson, August 29, 1817, daughter of Samuel and Susan (Houghton) Dinsmore. Her father, the first of the Dinsmores to come to Somerset County, removed from Exeter, N.H., to Anson township in 1793, and located on a farm near Mr. Tinkham's, where he and his wife spent their remaining years, laboring with persistent energy to clear and improve a homestead from the wilderness.

She died March 6, 1833; and in 1855 he passed to the life beyond, full of years and honors. Mr. and Mrs. Tinkham have had eleven children, namely: Amanda, who died in infancy; Amenzer, who died at the age of thirty-two years; Amantha, who is the wife of B. H. Luce, a neighboring farmer; Ariel, a salesman and a janitor in Boston, who married Ida Atkinson; Annis, who is the wife of Joseph M. Luce, a farmer and fruit-grower in California; Clara, who married J. A. Filcher, the president of the State Board of Trade in San Francisco, Cal.; S. Perham, a farmer, living in Bingham, Me.; Luther D., who is engaged in farming in Anson; Dolly, born in 1854, who is the wife of Edwin Heald, and who, together with her husband and two children — Emmons and Paulina — lives with her parents; Ida, who died in infancy; and Sherman G., who is the Postmaster in Anson. Mr. Tinkham was formerly identified with the Democratic party, and in 1875 he represented the town in the State legislature. Now he is a stanch Republican. He is a member of the North Star Lodge, No. 28, F. & A. M., of Anson, and for the past forty years has belonged to the local grange. Both he and Mrs. Tinkham are faithful members of the Congregational church.

ADDISON HARVEY, the Postmaster of Atkinson and a general merchant and lumber manufacturer, was born in this town June 29, 1845, son of Sargent and Marian (Bartlett) Harvey. His grandfather,

Jonathan Harvey, came from Nottingham, N. H., about the year 1800, and was one of the first settlers in Atkinson. Jonathan, who located upon an elevation in the vicinity of Atkinson Mills, after passing through the many hardships of a pioneer, succeeded in establishing for himself and family a good home and a valuable farm. He was one of the founders and first Deacons of the Free Will Baptist church, took a leading part in the religious and political affairs of his day, and died when about ninety years old. As he had never missed voting at an election since the town was organized, he insisted on being taken to the polls on the day preceding that of his death, although very feeble at the time. In politics he was a Republican. He married Betsey Burnham, whose children by him were Dorcas, Sargent, Sarah, and Betsey. Dorcas married for her first husband a Mr. Rowe, by whom she had one son, Jonathan. By her second husband, Elder Hathaway, she had four children. Sarah married a Mr. Burgess, and had four children; and Betsey became Mrs. Sawyer, and had two sons.

Sargent Harvey, Addison Harvey's father, was the second white child born in Atkinson. He was reared to farm life at the homestead, outside of which he was not known to have done a single day's labor. A sturdy, industrious, and thrifty farmer, he was able to add to the farm much adjoining land. He was noted for his hospitality, and always entertained visiting ministers and other strangers. Like his father, he was one of the main pillars of the Free Will Baptist church, and contrib-

uted liberally toward its support. Politically, he was a Republican. Sargent Harvey died at the age of eighty-one years. Marian Bartlett Harvey, his first wife, was a daughter of Josiah Bartlett, of Garland, Me., whose ancestors came from New Hampshire. She became the mother of four sons; namely, Charles, Addison, Josiah, and George W. Born of his second marriage, which was contracted with Ruth Thomas, were two daughters — Melissa and Betsey. Charles enlisted on his twenty-first birthday as a private in the First Maine Cavalry, and died in Washington, D.C. Josiah resides in Seattle, Wash. George W., who is a prominent business man of Atkinson, married Isabel Tewksbury, a daughter of Daniel Tewksbury, of this town. Sargent Harvey's second wife is still living, and resides at the old homestead.

Addison Harvey was educated in the common schools of Atkinson. When twenty-one years old he went to Western Pennsylvania, where he was engaged in lumbering for some five years. Upon his return home he and his brother-in-law, Leroy Barney, bought the old mill property, which had been idle for a number of years. Some time later George W. Harvey bought Mr. Barney's interest, and became associated with Addison in the manufacture of shingles and other building materials and the grinding of grain. They carried on a profitable business under the firm name of Harvey Brothers until 1894, when George W. withdrew. The brothers own jointly about seven hundred acres of real estate. They erected Harvey Block in Dover. Addison

Harvey is still carrying on the mill, and is also the proprietor of a general store. The post-office is located in the store, and he is the Postmaster. He has served as Town Clerk and Treasurer. With his brother he built the new town hall, which through their influence was located at the Centre. He is a Mason and a member of Olive Lodge, of Charleston. By his marriage with Elizabeth Barney, daughter of Hanson Barney, of Atkinson, he is the father of five children — Gertrude, Hattie, Susie, Harold, and Nellie.

EZRA C. TOWN, a highly esteemed resident of Madison, Somerset County, and the Town Treasurer for the past five years, was born April 18, 1826, in Winslow, Kennebec County, the birthplace also of his parents, John and Abigail (Wyman) Town. John Town, born October 3, 1793, lived in Winslow until he came of age, when he settled on a farm in Pittsfield, Somerset County. He had previously learned the trade of a ship builder and carpenter, and worked at that more or less in different places for a score of years. However, farming and gardening were his principal occupations throughout his years of activity. He lived to a good old age, spending his last days with his son Ezra in Madison. His wife, who was born in 1794, bore him five children, as follows: Martha A., now the widow of the late Lewis Batchelder, of Burnham, Me.; James W., a farmer, now deceased, who married Olive Chalmers; Ezra C., the subject of this sketch; Mary, who was

the wife of William G. Foster, of Pittsfield, and died August 24, 1850; and Henry A., who died in California, December 24, 1868.

Ezra C. Town received a limited education in the pioneer schools of his day, remaining on the parental homestead during the first twenty years of his existence. Going then to Gardiner, Me., he was there engaged as a ship carpenter and builder for five years, after which he worked in a shipyard at Belfast, Me., for a while. Removing then with his family to Pittsfield, he purchased a farm, which he carried on successfully until 1870, at the same time being employed in a saw-mill. In December of that year he settled in the village of Madison, and, buying a saw-mill, was here engaged in manufacturing long and short lumber for twelve years. During the following five years he had a store of general merchandise, and for eight years he was station agent at Madison. Since coming to this village he has held many important public positions of trust, having been chairman of the Board of Selectmen for eight years, chairman of the Board of Village Assessors five years, and Town Treasurer for five years, besides holding minor offices. He is a staunch supporter of the principles of the Republican party and a regular attendant of the Congregational church.

On March 16, 1851, Mr. Town married Miss Harriet S. Runnells, who was born in Pittsfield, Me., a daughter of Daniel and Sybill (McDarrold) Runnells. Her father died in 1876, and her mother in the following year. They had six children; namely, Julia

A., Walter, George, Harriet S. (now Mrs. Town), Daniel, and Margaret. Mr. and Mrs. Town are the parents of seven children, the following being their record: Abbie L., born May 18, 1853, who died August 30, 1888, was the wife of Ezra M. Fletcher, of Madison, who survives her; Walter V., born January 24, 1855, died May 23, 1879; Flora L., born October 25, 1857, died in childhood; Cora L., who died February 27, 1887, was twice married, her first husband having been J. B. Jacobs, by whom she had one child, Lena, and her second husband, Frank V. Gilman, by whom she had one child, Emmogene; Ada S., born February 27, 1861, is the wife of W. W. Johnson, a stone-mason, formerly of Norridgewock, but now a resident of Madison; Elmer E., born January 12, 1864, a well-known cornetist and music teacher of Boston, Mass., married Nellie Moore, and has one child, Donald, born in January, 1890; and Charles E., born October 15, 1870, an electrician, but now employed as a weaver in the Madison Woollen Mills, married Nellie M. Parlin, and has two children: Beatrice E., born May 7, 1893; and Leland Charles, born June 15, 1897.

ROSEA B. WARDWELL, who owns and occupies one of the oldest farms in Penobscot, Hancock County, son of Robert and Sylvia (Wardwell) Wardwell, was born in this town, June 5, 1830. His first ancestor in this country was Thomas Wardwell, who arrived in Boston from England in 1633. Samuel Wardwell, son of

Thomas, born in Boston, May 16, 1643, married Sarah Hawkes, and was hanged for witchcraft at Salem, on September 22, 1692. Eliakim Wardwell, son of Samuel, born in Andover, Mass., August 17, 1687, became an early settler in York, Me. He married Ruth Bragdon, who was a victim of the religious bigotry of her time. For refusing to attend the Established Church she, with other members of her family, was repeatedly fined, until rendered destitute of the actual necessities of life. It is related that on a Sabbath day, while so reduced, she entered the church during service in a nude state; and, after telling the congregation that her sorrowful condition was the result of the frequent fines imposed upon her, she solemnly invoked the curse of God upon the entire assembly. For this offence she was publicly whipped to the extent of thirty-five lashes upon her bare back.

Daniel Wardwell, son of Eliakim and the great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was born in York, April 17, 1734. In 1774 he moved his family to Penobscot, and, settling upon a tract of wild land, made the first clearing upon the farm which is now owned by his great-grandson. Indians were then numerous, though not troublesome; and wild game was abundant in the immediate neighborhood. Daniel Wardwell married Sarah Staples. The grandfather, Jeremiah Wardwell, son of Daniel and a native of York, accompanied his parents to Penobscot. Besides the homestead, to which he succeeded, he acquired large tracts of adjoining land, owning at one time a fourth part of the town-

ship, the original survey of which was made by him, being an assistant to John Peters. He also built the first frame house in the town. A painting of the old place, as it appeared in his day, is now in the possession of his grandson. He served as Captain of the First Company, Second Regiment, Second Brigade; and his commission, signed by Governor Hancock, is another of the family heirlooms. Also active in civil affairs, he served as Representative to the General Court of Massachusetts in the years 1803 and 1804. His diary, containing a record of current events, is also preserved. The following entry taken from it, dated February 16, 1773, will serve to show the opinion of good men in his day concerning an article of merchandise now looked upon as a social evil: "Frozen in the ice between Long Island and Bagaduce Point. Out of provisions, out of patience, out of tobacco, and, worst of all, out of rum." Jeremiah Wardwell married Elizabeth Banks, a daughter of Aaron and Mary (Perkins) Banks. They were the parents of twelve children, the majority of whom reared large families.

Robert Wardwell, the father, was born in the same room wherein took place the birth of his son, Hosea B. In his young days he taught school. Eventually he returned to the homestead, which was given to him with the understanding that he should provide a home for his mother during her life, an agreement that was scrupulously kept. He and his son, Hosea B., built the present house; and he afterward resided in it until his death, which occurred in the eighty-first year of his

age and on the sixtieth anniversary of his wedding. He was a prominent figure in local affairs, and served with ability in all of the principal town offices. His wife, Sylvia, also a native of Penobscot, was a daughter of Daniel Wardwell, second, and therefore his cousin. She survived him about eleven years. Of their eleven children, Hosea B., Virginia, Sylvia, and Annette are living. Annette is a resident of Brockton, Mass. The others died as follows: Sarah at the age of thirty-seven, Addison at forty-two, Ezra at seventy-three, Robert at seventy-six, Mary at forty-five, Augusta at sixty-nine, and Mercy at fifty-one.

Hosea B. Wardwell began his education in the district schools of Penobscot, and completed it at the high school in Castine. Afterward he taught school for various lengths of time in ten different towns of Hancock and Knox Counties. Since relinquishing that occupation he has devoted his energies to the cultivation of the home farm, which he inherited. He has rendered valuable services to the town as a Selectman and a member of the School Board, and he still displays an active interest in public education.

Mr. Wardwell is unmarried. He cast his first Presidential vote for Franklin Pierce, and supported the Democratic party until the nomination of Horace Greeley in 1872. Since that time he has acted independently. He was made a Mason twenty-seven years ago, and has been a Representative to the Grand Lodge of Maine. In religious belief he is a Spiritualist.

JOHN O. BURGESS, one of the representative farmers of Dover, Piscataquis County, and an ex-member of the Maine legislature, was born upon the farm he now owns and cultivates, April 5, 1831, son of William and Mary E. (Knowlton) Burgess. His father was a native of the town of Penobscot, Hancock County, born October 10, 1802; and his mother's birth took place in Sherborn, Mass., March 1, 1808. The grandfather, Captain John Burgess, was a native of Cape Cod, Massachusetts, and a shipmaster. He lived in Penobscot after marriage, until he settled upon a farm in Belfast, Me., in 1810. Having retained his shipping interests, he was engaged in the West India trade for some years after locating there. He died in Belfast, December 13, 1843, aged eighty-four years. On December 20, 1784, he married Hannah Moore, a native of Maine, who died April 1, 1841, aged seventy-four years. She gave birth to fifteen children, all of whom are now deceased, namely: Eleanor and Amey, twins, on July 21, 1785; Betsey, December 14, 1786; John, November 24, 1788; Hannah, April 15, 1790; James, September 1, 1794; Ebenezer, April 16, 1796; Ezekiel, January 6, 1797; Amey (second), April 27, 1799; David, February 12, 1801; William, October 10, 1802; Sarah, November 24, 1804; Harriet, April 9, 1807; George W. and Thomas J., twins, December 2, 1810.

William Burgess, having grown to manhood in Belfast, in 1823 or 1824 came to Dover as a pioneer. He proceeded to clear the farm which his son now owns, dwelling in a log

cabin until ready to erect a frame house. By perseverance and industry he succeeded in bringing his tract of one hundred acres to a good state of cultivation. He was energetic and prosperous, and never neglected an opportunity which gave promise of advancing his interests. In politics he was a Democrat. He died May 29, 1883. His wife, Mary E. Burgess, whom he married May 2, 1830, became the mother of eight children, namely: John O., the subject of this sketch; Hannah M., born November 14, 1833; Mina S., born August 9, 1835; Mary E., born September 14, 1837, who died July 6, 1892; William, born June 19, 1839; Harriet A., born April 7, 1843, who died December 20, 1869; Charles A., born August 5, 1847; and Susan M., born December 8, 1848, who died June 1, 1873. The mother died August 30, 1887.

John O. Burgess passed his youth in attending school and assisting his father upon the homestead farm. Since he succeeded to the property he has made various improvements in order to keep the place in first-class condition; and, though he now has the assistance of his son, he is still actively engaged in attending to his regular duties. As an earnest supporter of the Democratic party, he served with ability upon the Board of Selectmen for eight years, during five of which he was the chairman; and in 1878 he was elected to the legislature.

On December 14, 1852, Mr. Burgess was united in marriage with Betsey A. Merrill, who was born in Dover, February 14, 1833. She is a daughter of True and Sarah C.

(Lowe) Merrill, well-known residents of this town in their day. True Merrill, who was a native of Brunswick, Me., died September 7, 1848, which was his birthday, at the age of forty-two years; and his wife, who was born in Bangor, July 25, 1805, died October 10, 1880. Mrs. Burgess is the mother of five children: Louisa A., born December 19, 1853; Frank E., born January 15, 1857; Mary E., born July 27, 1860; Minnie E., born August 30, 1862; and Walter H., born January 11, 1867. Louisa A. is the wife of Edwin M. Demeritt, of Dover, and has two children — George E. and Harry E. Frank E. married Mary E. Hazeltine, and lives in Dexter, Me. Mary E. is the wife of Leslie O. Demeritt, of Sangerville, and has two children — Eva L. and John L. Minnie E. married Gilman P. Bailey, of Sangerville, and has five children — Frank E., Effie M., Harold A., Bessie M., and Carl D. Walter H. married Eva L. Pratt, and has three children — Herbert N., Lizzie M., and Carroll S. Mr. and Mrs. Burgess are members of the Central Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, in Foxcroft.

ELLIS T. HATCH, a thriving agriculturist and one of the leading citizens of Mercer, Somerset County, has been one of the Selectmen of the township for the past twelve years, serving six years at a time. He was born April 6, 1844, on the homestead where he now lives, son of Francis Hatch. His grandfather, Reuben Hatch, settled on this place in 1812, taking up a tract of one

hundred and forty acres of heavily timbered land, from which he cleared a good farm.

Francis Hatch, born in 1804, spent the first nine years of his existence in New Sharon, Franklin County, Me. Afterward he grew to manhood in Mercer, and assisted his parents in the pioneer labor of clearing off timber and establishing a homestead. Likewise for a time in his earlier days he worked in a stone quarry at Hallowell, Me., and learned the blacksmith's trade in Mercer. Having succeeded to the ownership of the home farm, besides following his trade he was employed successfully in cultivating the soil. He died on the homestead, November 20, 1869. His wife, whose maiden name was Maria B. Ellis, was born in Franklin, Mass., and passed away under the same roof on February 2, 1894. They were the parents of three children, as follows: Abby, born December 26, 1825, who was the wife of Henry Harris, a farmer and shoemaker of Mercer, and died January 5, 1858; Frank T.; and Ellis T. Frank T. Hatch, born July 4, 1837, was working in Lowell, Mass., when the tocsin of war resounded through the land, rousing the patriotic ardor of every true lover of freedom, and he soon responded to his country's call for volunteers. On October 8, 1861, he enlisted in the Thirtieth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, which was stationed on the Gulf of Mexico. After the expiration of his term of service he remained in Louisiana, employed in the capacity of clerk, first in the post-office of New Orleans and later in the custom-house of that city. He also re-

sided for a while in Shreveport, being clerk of the court while there. Subsequently he was returning to Mercer, when he was taken ill, and died July 20, 1874, at the early age of thirty-seven years.

Ellis T. Hatch was reared and educated in Mercer. When a lad he worked for some time in the mills of this locality. Shortly after the death of his father he assumed the charge of the ancestral estate, which had become his by inheritance. Besides the one hundred and sixty-two and one-half acres of land in his home farm, he owns a tract of thirty-eight acres in New Sharon, Me. He conducts a profitable business in general farming, dairying, and stock-growing, keeping steers, oxen, cows, horses, etc. His farm is well equipped with new and admirably arranged buildings, machinery of the most modern pattern; and his work is carried on after the most approved methods, his property being one of the finest in its appointments of any in this part of the county. On it are two trees of which he takes especial care, one being an elm planted by his grandfather in 1814, and the other an apple-tree, still in a bearing condition, set out by his father in 1825, and known as "father's tree."

In politics Mr. Hatch is a staunch Republican. On June 13, 1872, he was united in marriage with Miss Etta L. Gage, a daughter of Daniel and Hannah (Works) Gage, formerly residents of New Sharon, Me., but later of Mercer, Somerset County, where both spent their declining days, the former dying December 16, 1880, and the latter January 11,



NEWELL B. COOLIDGE.

1862. Mr. and Mrs. Hatch have three children, namely: Frank E., born November 21, 1874, who died December 16, 1878; Fred E., born May 2, 1880; and Eva M., born August 19, 1883.

NEWELL B. COOLIDGE, one of the leading men of Lamoine, Hancock County, son of Josiah Coolidge, was born in this town, then called Trenton, July 21, 1826. His grandfather, Silas Coolidge, who came from England to America in Colonial times, was a soldier in the Continental army. At the close of the war of independence Silas came to Hancock County, and, taking up a tract of unbroken land in Trenton, cleared the present Coolidge homestead. There he resided for the rest of his life, attaining an advanced age. To him and his wife, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Freeman, seven children were born.

Josiah Coolidge, eldest son of Silas, was a sailor from his boyhood. For many years he was engaged in fishing in the Bay of Fundy. Stricken with palsy, he was then obliged to give up active business, and thereafter lived on the farm until his death at the age of sixty-two years. He was quite prominent in public matters, his advice and counsel being much sought; and he was well worthy of the high esteem accorded him. He married Sally Googins, who was a member of an old Trenton family. They became the parents of nine children, namely: Newell B., the subject of this sketch; Josiah B., who resides on the land first taken up by his grandfather;

Jane, who died young; Abden K., Ferdinand, Caroline, Mary, and Julia, deceased; and Jane, who is the wife of Gideon Joy, of Hancock.

After leaving the district school Newell B. Coolidge followed the fishing business in the Bay of Fundy for twenty-one consecutive years, having the command of a vessel, and marketing his fish in Boston or New York. Thereafter for many years he restricted himself to drying and curing fish in Lamoine for the markets and to caring for his farm. In 1852 he erected his present comfortable and well-arranged residence. For sixteen years he was a trustee of the Hancock County Savings Bank at Ellsworth, of which he was chosen president in 1897; and for a number of years he has been one of the directorate of the Burrill National Bank of Ellsworth. Possessing in an unusual degree the qualities most desirable in a public servant, he was many times elected to responsible offices. He was Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor for twenty-three consecutive years and County Commissioner for nine years. In addition he represented the district in the State legislature, and for nineteen years was Justice of the Peace. An esteemed Free Mason, he belongs to Ligona Lodge and to the R. A. Chapter of Ellsworth. He cast his first Presidential vote in 1848 for the Democratic candidate, but since the birth of the Republican party he has been one of its heartiest supporters. Firm in his religious convictions, he is an active member of the First Baptist Church.

Mr. Coolidge first married Miss Ellen Cog-

gins, of Lubec, Me., who bore him four children. By his second marriage, which was made with Mrs. Martha J. Berry, of Hancock, there are no children. Of the four just mentioned, Harry L., who resides on the homestead with his parents, is the only survivor. Carrie B., the eldest, after her marriage with Alden S. Berry, died in July, 1897, leaving two children — Ellen S. and Vera W. Willis died at the age of twenty-five years; and George W., who married Phebe Anderson, also passed away at the age of twenty-five.

ASHLEY ST. CLAIR, of Calais, Washington County, a member of the well-known law firm Hanson & St. Clair and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in Camden, Me., March 22, 1847, son of Guilford Dudley and Leonora Helen (Payson) St. Clair. He comes of Scotch origin. His great-grandparents, both natives of New Hampshire, were pioneers of Knox County, Me. James St. Clair, the grandfather, resided in Warren, and followed the cooper's trade in connection with farming.

Guilford Dudley St. Clair, who was born in Warren in 1825, worked with his father at coopering and farming when he was a young man. Later he learned the ship-carpenter's trade in Camden, and worked at it in the shipyards of Rockland for a number of years. Eventually he bought a farm in Camden, where he is still engaged in agriculture. In politics he is a Republican, and he has ably filled various town offices. He is a Master

Mason and a member of Aurora Lodge of Rockland. Leonora Helen St. Clair, his wife, who is a daughter of Asa Payson, of Hope, Me., has been the mother of seven children, namely: Ashley, the subject of this sketch; George, who died in infancy; Lauriston Fenno, a resident of Rockland; Eda Florentine, the wife of Frank Oxtan, of Camden; Eva Leonora, the wife of Edward L. Cleveland, of Houlton, Me.; Grace D., the wife of Rockland T. Jones, of Rockland; and Elmer C. St. Clair, a resident of Camden. Both parents are members of the Baptist church.

From the common schools of Rockland, Ashley St. Clair went to the Normal School in Farmington. Upon leaving the latter institution he became a teacher in the Rockland public schools. In 1867 he was engaged by the School Board of Calais as principal of one of the grammar schools in this city, the duties of which position he ably discharged for the ensuing twenty-five years. His law studies began with the Hon. William J. Fowler, were completed in the office of the Hon. George M. Hanson, and he was admitted to the Washington County bar in October, 1893. In the following June he entered into his present relations with the Hon. George M. Hanson. While attending to its legal practice, the firm is also engaged in the fire insurance business. Outside the firm Mr. St. Clair is interested in the International Creamery Company of Calais, of which he is the treasurer. He has served with ability in the city government, and in politics he supports

the Republican party. On November 10, 1863, he enlisted in Company E, Second Maine Cavalry, which was sent to New Orleans and later to Florida, where he remained until the close of the Civil War. He is a member of the United Order of the Golden Cross and a comrade of Joel A. Haycock Post, G. A. R.

Mr. St. Clair first married Sarah Evelyn Tarbox, a daughter of Benjamin Tarbox, of Phillips, Me. Born of this union were three children—Louise Evelyn, Eda Estelle, and Alice Winnifred. Alice died at the age of twenty-two months. The mother's death occurred in 1887. A second marriage in 1890 united Mr. St. Clair with Mary Louise Hanson, a daughter of Isaac Hanson, of this city. She is the mother of three children—Mary Phyllis, George Ashley, and Guilford Payson St. Clair. The family attend the Baptist church.

JAMES R. THURLOUGH, Commissioner of Aroostook County and a prominent and prosperous agriculturist of Fort Fairfield, was born March 6, 1846, in Monroe, Waldo County, son of Frederick and Elsie (Whitney) Thurlough. The grandfather, James Thurlough, born and reared in York County, Me., was a descendant of an English family that settled there at an early day. While a farmer by occupation, he was also something of a mechanic, and helped to build the first factory at Great Falls, N.H., besides executing other work of the same class, thereby earning many a dollar.

Frederick Thurlough, born in the town of Berwick, York County, lived there until he was thirteen years old. This was his age when he assisted his parents to remove to Waldo County by driving an ox team through the intervening country of almost unbroken land, the hamlets on the way being few and far between. He was for many years a successful farmer, an extensive stock-raiser, and a lumber dealer in Monroe. His last days were spent at Fort Fairfield with his son, James R. During his early manhood he was identified with the Democrats, but on the birth of the Republican party he became one of its strong supporters. His children were: Fairfield, Melissa, Mary, Mary M., and Agnes, deceased; Reuben F., a resident of Fort Fairfield, now carrying on a substantial business as a farmer and a dealer in potatoes; James R., the subject of this brief sketch; Fred A. and John M., also residents of Fort Fairfield and in business together as farmers, potato dealers, and starch manufacturers; Rose, deceased; Nellie, the wife of Charles A. Morse, living at Fort Madison, Ia.; and Charles, deceased.

James R. Thurlough attended the district schools of Monroe in his youth. Afterward he was engaged in farming and lumbering on the paternal homestead until he attained his majority. Coming then to Fort Fairfield, he purchased, in company with his brother Fred, the estate known as the Stevens place, a valuable farm of two hundred and twenty-four acres, which they carried on in partnership a few years. Mr. Thurlough, who is now alone

in business, is the owner of at least one thousand acres of land, much of it woodland. He deals extensively in timber, often selling from the stump, and has furnished sleepers in large quantities to the railway companies of the county. In 1894 he became a stockholder and the president of the Aroostook Valley Starch Company, which through his influence and wise management has largely increased its operations, and is now carrying on business on a substantial basis. Thoroughly versed in the various branches of agriculture, he has made a success of farming, his homestead being known as one of the best in its appointments and improvements of any in this section of the county.

In addition to being an active member of the Republican party, Mr. Thurlough is a strong, though not an aggressive, worker in the temperance cause. He believes in educating the people to treat the liquor question intelligently, and in the necessity of impressing upon the minds of children a thorough sense of the degrading results of the use of liquor in any form. In 1891 he was elected County Commissioner, and in 1893 he was chairman of the County Commissioners. In 1896, notwithstanding the opposition of the machine element, he was re-elected to the same position, truth, integrity, and uprightness of purpose prevailing in the contest. Fraternally, he is a Mason, belonging to the Blue Lodge. On April 11, 1869, he was married to Olive Marshall, one of the nine children of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Marshall. Of his two children, Nellie E. Thurlough is living. Mr. and Mrs.

Thurlough are liberal in their religious opinions, while active members of the Free Baptist church.

JOHN H. WHITTIER, a venerable and highly respected farmer of Cornville township, was born in Brighton, Me., January 29, 1814, son of John Whittier. He is the representative of one of the early families of this section of Maine, his paternal grandfather, Joseph Whittier, having settled in Somerset County in the last century. Joseph bought a tract of land in the town of Brighton, which was then in its primitive wildness, cleared a farm, and resided there for the remainder of his life. He was born and reared in Rockingham County, New Hampshire, and there married Miss Lydia Chandler, a sister of General John Chandler, of Revolutionary fame.

John Whittier, who was born in New Hampshire, spent the greater part of his early life in Brighton, Me., engaged in agricultural pursuits. He subsequently bought a farm in Cornville, and continued in his chosen vocation until his demise, at the age of eighty-two years. His first wife, Abigail Titus Whittier, born in Monmouth, Me., died on the old homestead in Brighton sixty years ago. She had eleven children, namely: Mary, Hiram, and Sarah, deceased; John H., the subject of this sketch; Charles, a farmer, residing in Athens, Me.; Martha, deceased; Hannah, who first married Isaac Fellows, and after his death became the wife of Benjamin Tilton, a

farmer of Athens township; Abbie, Octavia, and Warren, deceased; and Olive, who died at an early age. After the death of his first wife the father married Mrs. Wadleigh, who has long since passed away.

John H. Whittier began the battle of life on his own account as soon as he attained his majority, for several years thereafter working in various saw-mills along the Penobscot River. After his marriage he settled down to domestic life on a farm in Brighton township, where he lived until 1866. In that year he disposed of his interests in the locality, and, coming to Cornville, bought the one hundred and thirty-five acres of land comprising his present homestead. He has since been engaged in the branches of agriculture common to this part of the country, and by close attention to his business has developed one of the best appointed farms of this locality. Another farm, containing thirty-five acres, is also his property. He is a staunch Republican in his political views, but has never been an aspirant to public office. Fraternally, he is a member of the grange at East Madison Mills.

Mr. Whittier was married November 25, 1839, to Miss Mary C. Hall, who was born in Athens township, Me., June 6, 1813. Her father, Andrew Hall, a native of Dover, N.H., removed to Somerset County at an early day, residing first in Athens and then in Brighton, where both he and his wife spent their declining years. Mrs. Hall, whose maiden name was Dolly Collins, was born and bred in Sandwich, Vt. Mr. and Mrs. Whittier are the parents of six children, of whom

the following is the record: George H., born June 15, 1840, assists in the management of the homestead; Albert, a farmer in Cornville, born December 25, 1842, successively married Emma Green and Miss Emma Flanders; Abbie Helen, born December 22, 1844, is the wife of Harlow Russell, a farmer, living in Madison township; Andrew, born October 1, 1847, died at the age of three years; Frederick W., born August 17, 1852, married for his first wife Mary Longley and for his second Rettie Nichols, with whom he is living on a farm in Topeka, Kan.; and May, born February 26, 1854, died February 8, 1857.

CHARLES L. ADAMS, an enterprising farmer and lumberman of Abbot, Piscataquis County, was born in Mayfield, Me., March 16, 1863, son of John Quincy and Betsey H. (Whitting) Adams. The father was born in Freedom, Me., May 2, 1816; and the mother was born in Hartland, Me., April 26, 1817. The immigrant ancestor was John Quincy Adams, who came from England or Wales, and was an early settler in Gorham, Me. Joshua Adams, son of the first John Quincy and the great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, accompanied his parents to Gorham, where he followed farming and shoemaking; and he died in Winthrop, Me., at the advanced age of ninety-eight years. Benjamin Adams, Charles L. Adams's grandfather, was born in Gorham in 1794, and served as a soldier in the War of 1812. He learned the shoemaker's trade, which he fol-

lowed in connection with farming; but he seems to have preferred the life of a pioneer, as he settled upon and improved wild land in the towns of Freedom, Unity, and Pittsfield, Me. His last years were spent in Pittsfield. In politics he was a Democrat. He served as first Selectman in Unity and Pittsfield, besides holding other town offices, was Postmaster for a number of years at West Pittsfield, and he held a Captain's commission in the State militia. Originally a Methodist in belief, he later became a Universalist. He married Margaret Clark, who was born in Freeport, Me., in 1798. She was the mother of eleven children, two of whom are living, namely: John Q., of Abbot; and Benjamin Adams, a resident of Bingham, Me. Benjamin Adams, Sr., died at the age of fifty-six years, and his wife died at fifty-three.

John Quincy Adams, Charles L. Adams's father, attended school in Unity. Since reaching manhood he has followed various lines of business, including shoemaking, farming, mining, and lumbering. In 1852 he went to California, where he worked in the "diggings" and also as lumberman until 1856, when he returned to Maine, and bought land in Mayfield. He was engaged in farming in that town until 1870, when he moved to a farm in Abbot, where he continued to till the soil with energy until he retired in favor of his son, who now carries on the farm. Betsey H. Adams, his wife, whom he married about the year 1839, is a daughter of John and Margaret (Fairweather) Whitting. Her father, who in earlier years resided in

BillERICA, Mass., served as General Washington's body-guard during the Revolutionary War. He was one of the first settlers in Hartland, Me., where he died at ninety-eight. His wife also lived to an advanced age. Betsey H. Adams became the mother of eleven children, of whom four are living: Miriam S., born August 25, 1840; Samuel C., born July 23, 1842, who served in Company A, Sixteenth Regiment, Maine Volunteers, during the Civil War; Jane C., born July 9, 1844; and Charles L., the subject of this sketch. All are residing in Abbot except Jane, who married Asa L. Foss, and lives in Wellington, Me. John Q. Adams is a Republican in politics. In 1870 he was a Representative to the legislature from Somerset County. Since retiring he has passed his time in rest and recreation. He still possesses his accustomed mental and physical activity. His wife died in September, 1895. She was a Universalist in religious belief. Her husband attends the same church.

Charles L. Adams began his education in the common schools, and completed his studies at the Abbot High School. Since reaching his majority he has given his attention to general farming and lumbering operations. Besides the homestead property he owns some valuable timber land. One of the stirring young men of Abbott, he has already become closely identified with political affairs. He was Collector for five years, Town Agent for two years, and for one year he was third Selectman. In 1888 he married Ada H. Farnham, a daughter of William



SAMUEL D. LEAVITT.

Farnham, of Sangerville, Me. Mrs. Adams is the mother of five children; namely, Lewis S., Oscar J., George S., Charles L. Adams, Jr., and Vera J. Adams. The father is connected with Good Cheer Lodge, No. 37, I. O. O. F., of Guilford. He attends the Universalist church.

GENERAL SAMUEL D. LEAVITT, one of the most prominent and substantial citizens of Eastport, Washington County, was born in this city, August 12, 1838, son of Benjamin B. and Harriet (Lamprey) Leavitt. He comes of English stock. Jonathan Leavitt, the General's grandfather, considered as a man of more than ordinary ability, was a native of Hampton, N.H., born in the year 1756. In 1787, when thirty-one years old, he came to Eastport and engaged successfully in trade, being one of the first merchants here as well as one of the earliest settlers. He had also the distinction of being Moderator of the first town meeting. In politics he was an anti-Federalist, and his religious opinions brought him into affiliation with the Congregational church. He fought for American independence in the Revolutionary War, enlisting first as a private in Captain Samuel Gilman's company. He was a member of Colonel Enos Poor's regiment in August, 1775. Subsequently serving in other companies, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and later to that of Captain Lieutenant by the New Hampshire House of Representatives. He married Mary Perkins, who,

like himself, was a native of Hampton, N.H. They had three children, all of whom became octogenarians, namely: Benjamin B., father of the subject of this sketch; Esther T., who married Gilman Lamprey, a pioneer merchant of Eastport; and Abigail P., who became the wife of Newell Brown, of Seabrook, N.H.

Benjamin B. Leavitt, born in Eastport, Me., November 6, 1798, grew to manhood in his native town. After being employed for some time as a clerk, he went into business for himself and conducted a general store until 1845. In 1843 he was elected State Senator from Washington County, and in 1845 he was appointed Surveyor of the Port of Eastport, an office which he held for four years. He then retired and spent the rest of his life in ease and quiet, dying July 28, 1881. His wife, Harriet Lamprey Leavitt, who was born in Kensington, N.H., June 21, 1802, died July 16, 1840. They were the parents of four sons and three daughters, of whom two attained maturity; and the subject of this sketch is the only survivor.

Having attended the town schools of Eastport for the usual period, Samuel D. Leavitt was fitted for college at Dummer and Franklin Academies. In 1858, however, relinquishing his idea of a collegiate course, he applied himself to the study of law in the office of Bion Bradbury, of Eastport, and in 1861 was admitted to the Washington County bar and to practice in the United States courts. Within the same year he enlisted in Company A, Fifteenth Maine Regiment, and afterward served in the Civil War with the rank of First Lieu-

tenant until the latter part of 1862, when he was honorably discharged. Then, returning home, he at once took up the practice of law, and followed it continuously for several years. In 1864 he first became interested in insurance, which he has since made his chief business. To-day he represents fourteen leading insurance companies. His present large clientage is the result of a steady increase, and his agency is the leading one in this locality. For over twenty consecutive years he has been a director of the Frontier National Bank. He is also the president of the Gas and Electric Company of Eastport and of the Eastport Water Company. Taking quite an active part in politics, the General was a Representative in the State legislature of 1872-73, Adjutant-general of the State of Maine in 1879, chairman of the Board of Selectmen in 1883, Custom Collector for the Passamaquoddy District from 1886 to 1890, first Mayor of Eastport in 1893, and again the Mayor of Eastport in 1898, and was elected to the legislature in 1898. Prominent in Masonry, he is a member of Eastern Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M., of Eastport; and of Eastern Royal Arch Chapter, St. Bernard Commandery, and the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to the Maine Society of Sons of the Revolution; to Post Mead, No. 40, G. A. R.; to Maine Commandery of the Loyal Legion; and to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston.

In 1860 General Leavitt was married to Emily C. White, a native of Londonderry, N.H., and a daughter of Reuben and Rachel

(Corning) White, born October 4, 1836. Of the General's four children, the only survivor is Amy W., who, born September 15, 1879, is now a student at Vassar College. The others, snatched away by the hand of death in the bloom of childhood, were: Harriet L., Benjamin B., and Samuel D., aged respectively twelve, eight, and six years. General and Mrs. Leavitt have a beautiful home in Eastport, and are among the most esteemed residents of the town.

EDWARD P. BLANCHARD, a prominent resident of Blanchard, Piscataquis County, son of Jacob and Rachel (Packard) Blanchard, was born in this town, September 8, 1857. He is descended from Thomas Blanchard, who came from England in 1639, landing in this country on June 23 of the same year. He and his second wife, who accompanied him and who was previously the widow Agnes Barnes, of London, settled in Braintree, Mass. Their grandson, John, born March 27, 1660, married Abigail Phillips. John's son, Nathaniel, born May 19, 1701, who died in North Yarmouth, August 15, 1773, married Hannah Shaw, who died in the same place about the year 1770. Nathaniel's son, Ozias, born July 31, 1742, had a son, Jacob, who was the grandfather of the subject of this sketch. Jacob Blanchard, born July 2, 1784, was drowned in Falmouth, July 5, 1815. The maiden name of his wife was Miss Abigail Pratt.

Jacob Blanchard, Jr., father of the subject

of this sketch, was born in Cumberland, Me., January 28, 1812. In March, 1833, he went to Blanchard, where his brother Daniel, who was a farmer, had settled on new land. (The town was not named for this family. The first settler here was a Thomas Chase, who took a claim in 1814.) Jacob Blanchard was a carpenter, and worked at his trade here during his active life. Still living, he is one of the oldest men in the town. In politics he is a stanch Republican, and he has taken an active part in town affairs, and served as School Supervisor. He has been Deacon of the Congregational church since the society was organized. His wife, Rachel, whom he married in 1836, and who was born in Hebron, Me., May 13, 1815, died October 25, 1892. They had a family of seven children, four of whom are living, namely: Abbie, the wife of Lindley H. Folsom, of Greenville; Phoebe M., the wife of Alvin D. Sturtevant, of Blanchard; Ephraim P., who is mining in Boulder, Col.; and Edward P., the subject of this biography.

Edward P. Blanchard was educated in the schools of Blanchard and Foxcroft Academy. In his early manhood he tried various lines of business. Since 1889 he has very successfully carried on a general store in Blanchard village. A Republican in politics, he was appointed Postmaster in 1889, and has now been in office seven years. He has been a Selectman for four years, and was chairman of the board for two years. Almost continuously since he came of age he has been a member of the School Committee, and he is now

Supervisor of Schools. Also for one year he was Town Clerk. An esteemed Mason, he is a member of Doric Lodge of Monson. He was married August 28, 1882, to Viola Hussey, who was born September 7, 1860. They have four children — Edith M., Lizzie A., Stanley H., and Carlisle F.

CAPTAIN GEORGE WESCOTT, a retired ship-master of Castine, Hancock County, was born upon his present farm, August 27, 1830, son of Captain Joseph and Sarah (Dyer) Wescott. This farm was originally cleared from the wilderness by William Wescott, the great-grandfather of Captain Wescott. William, a native of York, Me., came here as a pioneer, and bought a tract of two hundred and fifty acres when settlers were few and game abundant, while the only means of transportation was by water, and a tribe of Indians inhabited the neighborhood. Upon a site about ten rods distant from Bagaduce Point he built a dwelling that was his home for the rest of his life. He married Elizabeth Perkins, a daughter of a neighboring settler.

Joseph Wescott, son of William and a native of Castine, for some years followed the sea in the foreign trade; and he served in the War of 1812 as Captain of a company. Having inherited the homestead, he built the present spacious residence, which is one of the best in town. He died in 1831, and was buried in the old family cemetery upon the farm. His wife was before marriage Lucy

Stover, of Penobscot. Captain Joseph Wescott, the father, was born and reared at the homestead. Like most of the young men of his day, he took naturally to seafaring. In due time he became a master mariner, and was engaged in the foreign trade for some years. After abandoning the sea he settled at the homestead, and built another house on the premises, which he occupied for the rest of his life. He lived to be eighty-three years old. He served as a Selectman for many years, and was one of the first abolitionists in Castine. Sarah, his wife, became the mother of eight children, five of whom are living, namely: George, the subject of this sketch; Mary W., who is now Mrs. Brooks; Clara Emerson; Frances Dyer; and Martha W. Wescott.

George Wescott was educated in the common and high schools of Castine. Having begun to follow the sea at an early age, he worked his way aft to the quarter-deck, and subsequently commanded vessels engaged in the East India trade until his retirement in 1870. He served in the Civil War for one year as First Sergeant of Company I, Twenty-eighth Regiment, Maine Volunteers, with which he participated in the sieges of Port Hudson, Donaldsonville, and other engagements. Since he succeeded to the home farm, which contains one hundred and five acres, he has conducted it energetically. Recently he made some improvements in the old residence built by his grandfather.

By his marriage with Mary Avery, Captain Wescott became the father of four children — George F., Elisha D., Mary J., and Paul W.

George F., who resides in Buffalo, N.Y., married Mary E. Bent, and has three children — Otis B., Mary E., and Marion. Elisha D., now residing in Portland, Me., married Josephine Crawford, and has one daughter, Ruth A. Paul W., also a resident of Portland, married Annie C. Pennell, and has one son, Allen Wescott. Captain Wescott has served acceptably as a Selectman and a member of the School Board. Politically, he is a Republican, and his first Presidential vote was cast for J. C. Fremont in 1856. He is a comrade and Past Commander of Charles L. Stevens Post, No. 76, G. A. R.

ESSE BARBER, of Abbot, Piscataquis County, a prosperous merchant, Trial Justice, and a Civil War veteran, was born in Grafton, Grafton County, N.H., October 14, 1835, son of Robert and Sarah (Ford) Barber. His great-grandfather, Peter Barber (first), served in the French and Indian War. This ancestor while so engaged was taken prisoner by the savages and sold to the French, who conveyed him to France, and held him a prisoner for eight years. After his release he returned to Salisbury, N.H., where he lived until his death. Peter Barber (second), the grandfather, who was a native of Salisbury and served in the Revolutionary War, settled as a pioneer in Grafton, and resided there during the rest of his life.

Robert Barber, who was born in Salisbury, August 18, 1793, resided in New Hampshire for the greater part of his life. In his

younger days he served as Sheriff, and was a Captain in the State militia. He was the pioneer carpenter and wheelwright of Monson, to which he moved in 1844. He also followed farming until he moved to Solon, where he remained for five years. After that he resided in Monson until his death, which occurred when he was seventy years old. He was a member of the Calvinist Baptist church. The first of his two wives was Sarah, a native of Canaan, N.H., who died at the age of fifty-six. Of his nine children, three are living, namely: Lucy C., who is now the Widow Taylor, and resides in Monson; Peter, a resident of that town; and Jesse, the subject of this sketch. The others were: Sarah, Clara, Dorothy, Robert, Arvilla, and Albert.

Jesse Barber resided in Grafton until he was nine years old and afterward in various places before reaching manhood. After acquiring a common-school education he learned the shoemaker's trade, and followed it for some time. He was later employed as clerk at hotels in Greenville and East Corinth, Me., and was otherwise occupied until 1862. Then he enlisted at Abbot as a private in the First Maine Cavalry, Company M. After participating in the battle of Rappahannock Station and several minor engagements in the vicinity of Richmond, he became disabled, and was honorably discharged October 5, 1863. Upon his return to Abbot he resumed shoemaking, at which he continued until 1868, when he established himself in the mercantile business, which he has since carried on successfully. His stock includes gro-

ceries, hardware, and boots and shoes, and is always of a superior quality. In politics he is a Republican. He has served as chairman of the Board of Selectmen for six years in succession; was Constable, Collector, Town Agent, and a member of the School Committee during 1893; was Postmaster for twenty-one years; has been Trial Justice and Justice of the Peace since 1874; and was County Commissioner from 1883 to 1891.

On October 29, 1859, Mr. Barber married Laura W. Davis, who was born in Appleton, Me., May 6, 1841, daughter of James G. and Lucy A. Davis. Mrs. Barber is the mother of one son, Harrison Taylor Barber, born June 23, 1873, who is now a clerk in the office of the assistant superintendent of the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad in Brownville. A Mason in good standing, Mr. Barber is connected with Kinco Lodge of Guilford and the chapter in Dover. He is also a comrade of Leeman Post, No. 82, G. A. R., of Abbot.

ALMERIAN E. BOSWORTH, a well-known farmer and carpenter of Cornville, Somerset County, was born December 16, 1844, in the nearby town of Solon. He is a son of Tilson H. Bosworth, who, born and bred in Solon, in early life removed to Machias, Washington County, where he worked at the carpenter's trade. Tilson H. also followed his trade and carried on farming to some extent in various places in Maine, including the towns of Solon, Madison, Athens, Brighton, and Skowhegan, to

which he went accompanied by his family. His last days were passed in the village of East Madison, where he died in June, 1891, aged seventy-four years. He was the owner of a good estate in Madison at the time of his demise. His wife, born in Bethel, Me., whose maiden name was Esther Burke, died in East Madison in May, 1892. They were the parents of eight children, namely: William, who died at the age of two years; Cullen, also deceased; Almerian E., the subject of this sketch; Alma, now the widow of Harrison Stewart, living in Madison; Mellen, who is a painter and a resident of Madison; Manderville, who owns and occupies the old home farm in Madison; Elden, who is employed in the United States service and lives at Hot Springs, Ark.; and Adolphus, who died at the age of eight years.

Almerian E. Bosworth has been self-supporting since he was a lad of fifteen years. On November 2, 1861, while yet in his seventeenth year, he enlisted for the defence of the Union in Company I, Fourteenth Maine Volunteer Infantry, under Colonel F. S. Nickerson and Captain James B. Hill. With his comrades he was present at the engagement at Baton Rouge, La., fought on August 5, 1862, and at several others of minor importance. An injury received in one skirmish confined him to the Marine Hospital at New Orleans for two months. On April 3, 1863, he was honorably discharged from the service at Bonnet Carré Bend, La., and returned to the home of his parents, who were then living in Athens, Somerset County. In 1866 Mr. Bos-

worth went to the Pacific coast, and spent the following five years on a California ranch, working at the carpenter's trade, in which he was proficient. Again returning to Maine, he worked at his trade in Solon until his marriage, when he settled on his present property in Cornville, known as the north half of the Kincaid farm. Since then he has made improvements on the estate of an excellent character, erecting new buildings and otherwise adding to its value. He has eighty acres of land, and carries on general farming to a considerable extent. He also devotes a large part of his time to his trade, his known skill as a carpenter causing his services to be in constant demand.

Mr. Bosworth was married December 9, 1875, to Miss Lizzie H. Savage, a native of Madison, born December 26, 1858. Her parents, Edward and Sarah (Rowell) Savage, still reside on their farm in that town. Mr. and Mrs. Bosworth have had four children, namely: Bertha May, born in 1876, who died at the age of fifteen months; Leland D., born May 12, 1878; Forest C., born July 16, 1880; and Lula B., born July 27, 1885. Mr. Bosworth has always been deeply interested in advancing the cause of education, and has rendered efficient service to the town of Cornville as a member of the School Committee, the only public office he has ever held. In politics he is a sound Republican. He is a member of St. Andrew's Post, G. A. R., at Harmony, Me.; of West Runsett Lodge, No. 113, I. O. O. F., of Athens, in which he has passed all the chairs, is now serving as Noble

Grand for the second term, and is very prominent in lodge work, having been a member of that order for thirty years; and of the grange at the village of East Madison, of which he was Master for three years, and in which he exercised much influence.

MOSSES PRESCOTT, a retired lumberman of Eastport, Washington County, was born in Pennfield, Charlotte County, N.B., March 19, 1827, son of Jesse and Sarah (Knight) Prescott. The names of several of his ancestors appear upon the roster of the Colonial troops that fought the British at the battle of Bunker Hill. His grandfather, Jonathan Prescott, a native of Maine, spent the active period of his life in Mount Vernon, where he followed the trade of a blacksmith; and he died at a good old age.

Jesse Prescott, who was born in Mount Vernon, settled in 1812 or 1813 in Pennfield, N.B., where he was engaged in agriculture. An industrious and successful farmer, he was esteemed in the community. He married Sarah, daughter of Joshua Knight, a Loyalist, who at the close of the Revolutionary War moved from Philadelphia, Pa., to Pennfield. Sarah Prescott became the mother of eight children, who all attained maturity. Five of them are still living, namely: Catherine, who married Tobias Mealey, of Monticello, Me., and now resides in Minnesota; Joshua, who resides in New Brunswick; Moses, the subject of this sketch; John, a resident of Calais, Me.; and Jesse Prescott, who occupies the

old homestead in New Brunswick. The others were: Gideon, who died in St. John, N.B., at the age of seventy years; George, who died in California; and Isaac, who died at the age of twenty-two. The father reached the age of ninety-four years and six months, and the mother ninety-three. Both parents belonged to the Baptist denomination.

Having previously attended school as the opportunity permitted, Moses Prescott at the age of sixteen began to work in the woods, receiving for his services eight dollars per month and board. He had been so employed for six or seven years when, in company with his brother Gideon, he engaged in lumbering at New River, N.B. About five years later he formed a partnership with his brother John, and for the succeeding fourteen years the Prescott brothers were successful operators in the lumber regions of New Brunswick. In 1876 Mr. Prescott located in Eastport. An interest in a lumbering concern of Nova Scotia, bought by him and his brother in 1883, was disposed of in 1887. Since that time he has lived in retirement at his home in this city. His long and active career in the lumber industry was attended with good financial results. Among his reminiscences of the period he recalls with pride the fact that for thirty-two years he personally assisted in driving the winter's cut of logs from the landings to the booms.

On March 31, 1861, Mr. Prescott married Alice Chaffey, a native of Indian Island, N.B., born April 2, 1832. Her parents, James and Mary (Hurley) Chaffey, are de-

ceased. Mrs. Prescott is the mother of two children, namely: Catherine, born July 15, 1862; and George D., born May 16, 1864. Catherine is now the wife of Frank Wadsworth, of Eastport, and has three sons — Prescott, Edward, and Ronald Wadsworth. George D. Prescott, who is a lumber operator in New Brunswick, married Jessie McLean, and has one daughter, Ethelyn. In politics Mr. Prescott, Sr., is a Republican, and he belongs to Eastern Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M. He worships at the Baptist church, while Mrs. Prescott is a member of the Church of the Disciples.

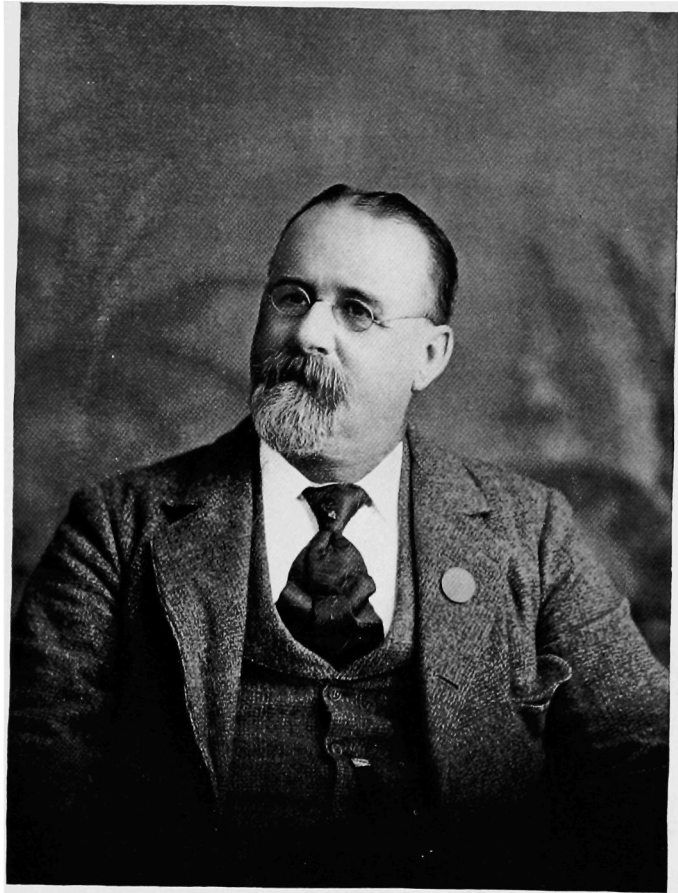
JOHAN T. R. FREEMAN, an enterprising merchant of South-west Harbor, Mount Desert, Hancock County, was born in this town, November 28, 1838, son of James and Margaret (Richardson) Clark Freeman. His grandfather, Reuben Freeman, was an Englishman, who came to the island from Cape Cod.

James Freeman, the father, born in Pretty Marsh, Mount Desert, learned the trade of a blacksmith in Boston, and afterward worked there as a journeyman for some years. Then, returning to the island, he followed his trade here for the rest of his life, and died in his eighty-seventh year. He was the first to perceive and utilize the advantages of Mount Desert as a summer resort; and a party of Bangor people, boarded and entertained for a season by him, were the very first summer visitors to come to the island. He married

Mrs. Margaret Richardson Clark, a widow, whose people were the pioneer ship-builders here. She became the mother of four children; namely, James A., Joseph W., Julia S., and John T. R. James A., who resides in this town, married a Miss Leland, of Bar Harbor, and has three children — Charles, Arthur, and Leta. Joseph W. has always resided here. Julia S. married John Crockett, of Rockland, Me., and has had seven children.

The education of John T. R. Freeman began at home. He also attended the public schools of Jamaica Plain, Mass., for two years. After finishing the high-school course in South-west Harbor, he turned his attention to teaching, and followed it for twenty years on the island with the exception of one season spent in Sedgwick, Me. Then at South-west Harbor he started in the ladies' and gentlemen's furnishing-goods business, which he has since carried on. It is now generally conceded that he conducts one of the best stores of the kind on the island. He also deals in wood and coal, and owns a sardine factory, which he lets for rent.

Mr. Freeman married Ada J. Crockett, of Rockland, a daughter of James and Mary Crockett. He has two daughters — Mary C. and Catherine B. Mary C. married Sylvester Brown, of North-east Harbor, and has three children — Anna, Ada, and Leonise Brown. Catherine B. resides at home. Mr. Freeman was formerly a member of the Board of Selectmen and of the School Board. He was also Collector and the Postmaster for twenty-five years. At present he is efficiently serving in



JOHN T. R. FREEMAN.

the capacity of Town Treasurer. He is well and favorably known throughout the island, and belongs to the Masonic order. In politics he is a Republican, and he cast his first Presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln in 1860.

NOAH H. BURRILL, one of the stirring dairy farmers of Canaan, Somerset County, was born in this town, November 29, 1836, son of Noah and Maria (Hubbard) Burrill. The father came to Canaan from Clinton, his native town, and, settling upon a farm, resided here until his death, which occurred August 13, 1887. By his union with his first wife, who before marriage was a Miss Pratt, of Clinton, there was one son, Hiram P., now deceased. Maria, his second wife, who was born in Concord, Mass., became the mother of seven children, namely: Noah H., the subject of this sketch; Sarah, now the wife of John Drew, a farmer of Canaan; Jane, now the wife of Charles E. Burrill, of this town; Silas P., who is no longer living; Eliza, who resides in Portland, Me., and is the widow of Manley J. Crummett; Ella, the wife of Charles Davis, now of Alpena, Mich.; and Wilson R. Burrill, who is married, and resides in Pasadena, Cal. The mother died June 24, 1892.

Having attended the common schools for the usual period, Noah H. Burrill at the age of eighteen began to serve an apprenticeship at the carpenter's trade. Subsequently he worked as a journeyman and contractor in Canaan for some time. In November, 1863,

he went to San Mateo County, California, where he was engaged in lumbering for two years. He went to Pasadena in 1887, and followed his trade there until his return in April of the following year. Some time ago he abandoned his trade, and is now devoting his entire energy to agriculture. After his marriage he settled upon the Burrill farm, where he has resided for most of the time since, engaged in agriculture, stock-raising, and dairying. He owns two hundred and twenty-five acres of good land, comprising tillage, pasture, and woodland. Besides raising the usual crops, he operates a cream separator, and makes considerable butter of a superior quality, which he markets in the adjoining towns.

On November 2, 1861, Mr. Burrill married Lizzie M. Fitzgerald, who was born in Canaan, March 9, 1842, daughter of Benjamin and Ora (Emery) Fitzgerald. Mr. Fitzgerald, now deceased, was a prosperous farmer of this town. His wife is now residing here with her son. Mrs. Burrill has had two children: Silas Ellsworth, born August 8, 1862, who died February 3, 1886; and Schuyler Colfax Burrill, who married Maud Agnes Allen, and lived in Canaan. Formerly a Democrat in politics, Mr. Burrill has voted with the Republican party for the past twenty-five years, and has served with ability in some of the town offices. An esteemed Mason, he is a member of Carabassett Lodge, No. 161, of Canaan. He attends the Universalist church. A handsome cabinet standing in one of the rooms of his house, one of sundry arti-

cles made by him in his leisure time, is worthy of a skilful mechanic.

SAMUEL R. CAMPBELL, one of the most extensive farmers in Sangerville, Piscataquis County, was born in Buckfield, Oxford County, June 10, 1818, son of William and Martha (Record) Campbell. The grandfather, also named William Campbell, who emigrated with his parents from Scotland when he was thirteen years old, and resided for some time with one Andrew Campbell in New Gloucester, Me., became a sailor aboard a privateer during the Revolutionary War, and was never heard from afterward.

William Campbell, Samuel R. Campbell's father, a native of Salem, Mass., was an early settler in Buckfield, where he followed the trade of a cloth-dresser. In 1825 he came to Sangerville, purchased three farms, containing two hundred and seventy-five acres, most of which was in a wild state. After making suitable improvements on the property and increasing the acreage, he passed the rest of his active years prosperously engaged in general farming; and he died at the age of eighty-six years. In politics he was originally a Whig, but in his later years he acted with the Republican party. In religious belief he was a Universalist. His wife, Martha, who was a native of Eastport, Mass., became the mother of eight children, of whom Samuel R. is the only one now living. The others were: William, who died at the age of

eighty years; Mrs. Romilla Macomber; Rodolphus; Otis; Andrew; and Domenicus. All lived to be over sixty years old. Sally, who was the widow of Sullivan Warren, and spent her last days with her brother Samuel, died in October, 1897, in her ninety-fourth year. Mrs. William Campbell died in her ninety-third year.

Samuel R. Campbell came to Sangerville when he was seven years old, and afterward attended the district school, which was then kept in sundry farmhouses. He made the most of his opportunities for obtaining an education, and assisted in carrying on the homestead farm, which he has practically managed since he was nineteen years old. He cared for his parents during their declining years, succeeding to the ownership of the original tract of two hundred and seventy-five acres after their death, and has carried on general farming successfully up to the present time. He raises excellent crops, devotes some attention to dairying, keeps from twenty to thirty head of cattle, and has raised some fine horses. His residence and out-buildings are substantially constructed and kept in good repair; and his sons, who ably assist him in carrying on the place, share their father's desire to preserve its neat and thrifty appearance.

On June 24, 1860, Mr. Campbell was joined in marriage with Anna Hunter, a daughter of James and Sarah (Cushman) Hunter, who were prominent farming people of Farmington, Me. Mrs. Campbell is the mother of two sons: James William, born

January 8, 1862; and Hannibal Hamlin Campbell, born July 18, 1867. Both are unmarried, reside at home, and assist in the management of the farm. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell are Spiritualists. In politics Mr. Campbell is a Democrat, and his sons are Republicans.

HENRY C. SARGENT, an enterprising iron founder of Machias, Washington County, son of Ignatius and Emeline (Potter) Sargent, was born here, June 6, 1844. He is a great-grandson of Colonel Paul Dudley Sargent, a native of Salem, Mass., who raised two regiments for service in the Revolutionary War, and served as an officer throughout the entire struggle. After the declaration of peace Colonel Sargent moved from Salem to Sullivan, Me., where he was the proprietor of a general store for years and the first commissioned Trial Justice in the District of Maine. An ancient mahogany corner clock, purchased by him from the cargo of a privateer in Boston during the War for Independence, is exhibited with pride by Henry C. Sargent. John Sargent, the grandfather, who built the first bridge over Sullivan Falls, at a later date moved to Calais, where he spent the rest of his life.

Ignatius Sargent was born in Sullivan in 1815. When a young man he came to Machias, where he was employed in the Registry of Deeds for a few years. Subsequently, when the Machias Water Power and Mill Company was organized, he became its book-keeper. In course of time he rose to the

position of manager. While he served the company in that capacity, its business was extensive and profitable. Afterward he bought and conducted the foundry now owned by his son, obtaining the reputation of a progressive and successful business man. In politics he was an active supporter of the Republican party from the time of its formation. It has been asserted that his was the guiding hand that secured the early successes of his party in Washington County. He served as a Selectman for a number of terms, and had been County Treasurer for thirty years when he died. His wife, Emeline, was a daughter of William Eustis and Alice (Bass) Potter. Four of his children lived to maturity, namely: Daniel B., now of Omaha, Neb.; Henry C., the subject of this sketch; Ignatius M., of Machias; and Charles Sargent, of Portland, Me. The mother was a member of the Congregational church.

Having been educated in the common schools and at Washington Academy, Henry C. Sargent entered his father's foundry as an apprentice, and in the course of time became familiar with both the mechanical and business departments. In 1876 he succeeded to the foundry and its business. The only foundry between Ellsworth and Calais, it is at the present time devoted solely to the manufacture of mill supplies, employing steadily a large force of workmen, and doing a profitable business.

Mr. Sargent married Alice B. Hemenway, daughter of William H. Hemenway, of Machias. She died in 1875, leaving one son,

John D. John D. Sargent married Adelaide, daughter of Leander H. Crane, of this town. She died April 11, 1897, leaving five children; namely, Charles Hemenway, Mary H., Martha, Catherine, and Adelaide Sargent.

WILLIAM N. PERKINS, a retired business man of Penobscot, Hancock County, was born in Harrington, Me., December 1, 1818, son of Thomas and Clarissa (Nash) Perkins. The grandfather, Daniel Perkins, a native of York, Me., before there were any roads in the district, settled in the southern part of Penobscot township. There he spent the rest of his life excepting the period of the Revolutionary War, during which he stayed in his native town. The maiden name of his wife was Abigail Penny.

Thomas Perkins, the father, born in York, Me., was educated under the tuition of a minister in Sedgwick, Me. He taught school for a time, during which period he lived in Harrington. Then he engaged in farming and lumbering. After returning to the homestead in 1826, he bought the Winslow place in the village, also purchased a saw and grist mill, which he carried on for many years. He died at the age of eighty. Clarissa, his wife, became the mother of ten children; namely, Daniel M., Eliza Ann, Alexander G., Gilbert, William N., Augustus S., Abbie, Mary, Priscilla, and Edgar S. Of these, Daniel M., Eliza Ann, Alexander G., Gilbert, Priscilla, and Edgar S. are no longer living.

Augustus S. is a retired merchant of Castine; and Abbie and Mary reside in Penobscot.

William N. Perkins has resided in Penobscot since he was eight years old. After completing his studies in the district schools he assisted his father upon the farm until he was twenty-two. Afterward, in company with his brother, he established the first store in the neighborhood, and the partnership existed for twenty-five years. He then opened a store upon his own account, and also engaged in ship-building and lumbering, furnishing the timber for the construction of several vessels, mostly schooners. At a later period he admitted his son into partnership in the business of the store. He has been out of business now for the past ten years.

Mr. Perkins married Phoebe A. Perkins, who is the mother of eight children; namely, Justin, Roscoe, Bertha, Dora, William Rosco, Ernest, Elmer E., and Jay. Justin, Roscoe, and Dora are no longer living. W. R. Perkins married Oressa Van Buskirk, of Cherryfield, Me.; Elmer E. married Marjorie Perkins, of Ellsworth, and has four children; and Jay is a physician in Providence, R.I. The father has served as Road Surveyor for twenty-five years. He cast his first Presidential vote for W. H. Harrison in 1840, has been a Republican since the formation of the party, and is an earnest advocate of the temperance cause.

TIDEON TAYLOR, one of the best known farmers of Pittsfield, Somerset County, son of David and Olive (Stetson)

Taylor, was born in Windsor, Kennebec County, August 16, 1821. The father, who was a native of Cape Cod, Mass., settled in Windsor after his marriage, and was engaged in farming and lumbering until March 3, 1832. Then he located upon a tract of wild land in Pittsfield, and made the first clearing upon the farm his son now occupies. He subsequently followed general farming and lumbering here until his death, which occurred in October, 1854. His wife, who was born in Bristol, Me., died in July, 1883. Of their twelve children, seven are living, namely: Sullivan, who carries on farming in Burnham, Me.; Levi, who married Marilla Williams, and is a retired farmer of Pittsfield; Gideon, the subject of this sketch; David, who is a retired millwright and resides in Lowell, Mass.; Charles, who married Janette Leavitt, and is engaged in farming in Pittsfield; Samuel, who married Abbie Williams, and is also a farmer in this town; and Lucy Ann, the wife of Erastus Jacobs, who is an industrious agriculturist of Pittsfield. The others were: Asa, Betsey, Mary, Albert, and Ambrose.

Gideon Taylor accompanied his parents to Pittsfield when he was eleven years old, and attended the district school until he was old enough to be of use upon the farm. At the age of twenty-one he went to Orono, Me., where he was employed for eight years — in the saw-mills during the summer season and in the lumber camps during the winter. Then he returned to Pittsfield, and resided at home for some years. On April 15, 1855, he went to Southern California, where he was

engaged in mining until August 14, 1858, when he started homeward. Since his return he has resided upon what is known as the Alfred Thomas farm, where he has made various improvements upon the land and buildings. At the present time he owns about one hundred and thirty acres of good tillage and pasture land, and he carries on general farming, assisted by his son. In politics he has supported the Republican party since its formation, and he has served with ability in some of the town offices.

On May 5, 1853, Mr. Taylor married Sarepta Thomas, who was born in Richmond, Me., September 21, 1829, daughter of Alfred and Mary (Jenkins) Thomas, who moved from that town to Pittsfield in 1839. Her father was there engaged in farming and lumbering for the rest of his life. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor have had six children, namely: Olma, who married Mildred Patterson, and is now a gardener in Lewiston; Henry A., who married Ella J. Adams, and is now residing in Bangor, S. Dak., and is serving as County Auditor; Edgar, who married Kate M. Rogers, and resides upon a farm near the homestead; Nellie M., who married Roscoe Ames, of Lowell, Mass., and died June 29, 1889, leaving one son, Barney, now residing with his grandparents; Dellie, an artist, who resides at home, and whose paintings were awarded a prize at the State Fair; and Melvin A. Taylor, who assists his father at the homestead, and owns a good farm near by. Both Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are Free Will Baptists and members of that church.

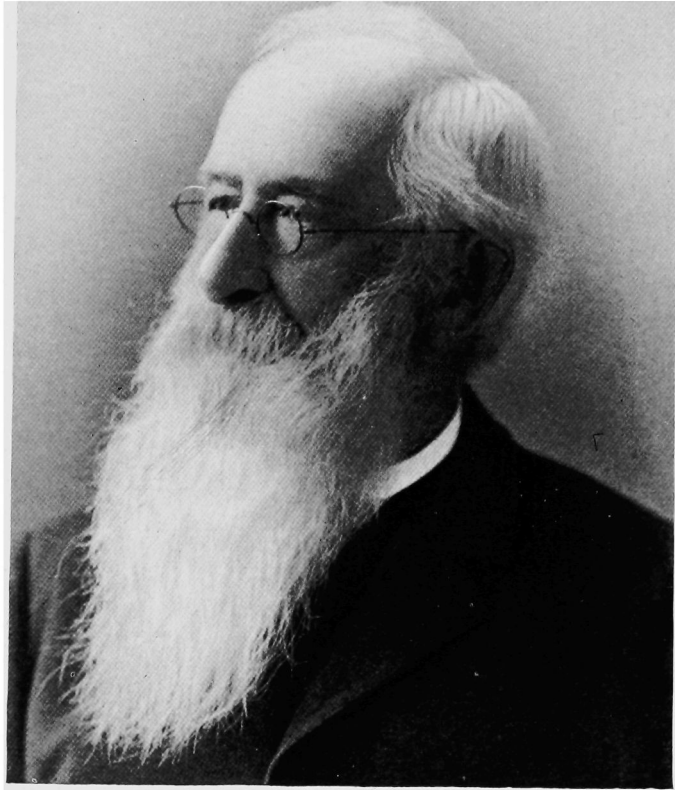
WYER G. SARGENT, a leading man of Sedgwick, Hancock County, residing at Sargentville, was born June 24, 1810, at Gloucester, Mass., his parents being Benjamin and Susan (Cole) Sargent. The Sargent family, which is one of the oldest in the annals of New England, traces back its ancestry to William Sargent, who was a landholder in Gloucester as early as 1649, and who married Abigail, daughter of Edmund Clark. William Sargent had a son, to whom was assigned a tract of land situated in Gloucester, near the Squam River. This son lost his life in the public service, and in recognition thereof a grant of land was made to his descendants.

Dr. Thomas Sargent, the grandfather of Wyer G., born on October 19, 1739, was the eldest son of his parents. During the Revolutionary War he was an officer in Captain Saltonstall's command when the American forces came to this neighborhood to attack the British troops, which were still in possession of parts of the surrounding country. An effort was made in 1779 to effect a landing at Castine and combine with the land troops under command of Captain Lowell. The expedition, which was a very daring one, was only partially successful. After the war Dr. Sargent returned to Gloucester, and in that town spent the last years of his life. He was twice married, successively to Lucy and Jemima Haskell, who respectively bore him nine and eight children.

Benjamin Sargent, a son of Dr. Sargent by the second wife, born in Gloucester, was al-

ways known as Captain Benjamin Sargent. During the War of 1812 he commanded the troops at the fort in the harbor of Gloucester. Subsequently, in 1816, he came to the town of Sedgwick, and settled in the village, bringing his wife and four children with him, her parents having come here some years before. Here, besides carrying on farming, he worked at the shoemaker's trade. Later he sold out his property in Sedgwick village, and settled at Birchland, taking up uncultivated land. He died in the part of Birchland now called North Brooklin at the age of seventy-two, after a useful and active life devoted to his family and friends and to the interests of the community in which he lived. He was chairman of the Board of Selectmen for some years. His wife, Susan, who was a daughter of Thomas and Susan (Cleaves) Cole, originally of Wenham, Mass., bore him eleven children, all of whom grew up. When the first death occurred in this family the youngest child was fifty-three years of age. Those now deceased are: John O., Sarah J., Benjamin C., and Lucius B. The living are: Wyer G., William H., Thomas C., Albion P., Mary M., Jasper N., and George M.

Wyer G. Sargent attended the common schools until about thirteen years of age. Then he began going to sea, and at the age of twenty-one he was mate of a vessel. Now, in order to gratify a desire to visit foreign countries, he left his ship in Boston, and secured a place on a foreign-bound vessel. Before reaching home again, he had made several voyages to distant lands. Early in life, at



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the age of twenty-two years, he became a master. He followed the sea, in all, for about twenty-four years, visiting many of the European ports. After retiring from this occupation he opened a store in the section of Sedgwick known since as Sargentville, so called on account of the large number of Sargents residing there, of whom he was the first to settle. He also became interested in pickling fish, and engaged one Sargent, who was a cooper by trade, to come to his place and make the barrels in which the fish were to be packed. Later he bought a grist mill and also began shipbuilding, this being about the time that through Senator Hamlin's efforts a post-office was located here, and the village became officially known as Sargentville. Mr. Sargent has been in trade here since 1845. His first wife, Martha E. Eaton Sargent, was the mother of seven children — Rodney G., Martha E., Henry W., Susan C., Imogene, Angienett, and Welland F. By the second marriage, which was made with Mrs. Betsy Dodge, a sister of the first wife, and who died in 1867, there were no children. Mr. Sargent's third marriage was contracted with Mrs. Maria D. Gower, widow of Rev. H. B. Gower, of Providence, R.I. She died in 1892, having given birth to one child, Addison G. Martha is the widow of Captain Horatio Spooner, who commanded Company L of the First Maine Heavy Artillery, which has the distinction of having lost a greater proportion of men in killed and wounded than any other company in the Civil War. Captain Spooner himself was fatally injured at

the battle of Petersburg. He left one daughter, Angie E. Henry Sargent married Dora Philbrook, a daughter of Luther G. and a sister of Judge Philbrook, of Waterville, Me., and has three children — Arthur H., Mattie L., and Percy G. Imogene died in 1850. Welland Sargent, who resides in Springfield, Mass., married Fanny Baker, who has borne him one daughter, Marjory. Addison Sargent, who resides at Newton, Mass., is unmarried.

Mr. Sargent has been the chairman of the Board of Selectmen in this town for some years. He has also been the Town Clerk. In 1857 he was a member of the legislature and in the following year of the Senate, being elected by the Republican party. He is a member of the Masonic order, and also of the Sons of Temperance. In religious belief he is a Baptist and a leading member of the Baptist society in this place.

MOSES CARR, president of the Carlton Woollen Mills, Sangerville, Piscataquis County, Me., and one of the most prominent residents of this town, was born in Vienna, Kennebec County, Me., April 22, 1810, son of James and Rebecca (Staine) Carr. His paternal grandfather, John Carr, who was a native of New Hampshire, was an early settler at Vienna, and as an industrious pioneer did much toward developing the agricultural resources of that locality. He lived to be nearly one hundred years old, and died in Mount Vernon, near Vienna.

James Carr, Moses Carr's father, accompanied his parents from New Hampshire to Maine; and his active years were spent on a farm in Vienna. He died at the age of eighty-nine. His wife, Rebecca Staine Carr, who was a native of Mount Vernon, lived to be about eighty years old. She was the mother of five sons and one daughter, of whom two sons are living, namely: David, a resident of Dover, Me.; and Moses Carr, the subject of this sketch.

Moses Carr was reared in Vienna, and educated in the district schools. At an early age he started in life as a farm assistant, receiving at first but five dollars per month. But, as his ability increased, he was enabled to command higher wages; and when twenty years old he had managed to save a considerable amount of his earnings. Deciding to follow the example of his predecessors and seek a home in a new district, he came to Piscataquis County, arriving at Sangerville on February 16, 1832, and invested in wild land. As a pioneer he displayed a spirit of energy and perseverance which could not do otherwise than produce the most favorable results; and his practical knowledge of general farming, together with the exercise of sound judgment in handling his products, was the means of his accumulating considerable wealth. The capital thus acquired he wisely invested in manufacturing enterprises, thus aiding in the development of home industries, which have proved exceedingly beneficial to the town. He is president of the Carlton Woollen Mills, an enterprise that has yielded excellent returns

to its stockholders; and he is a large shareholder in the Sangerville Woollen Company. He still occupies the farm which he cleared from the wilderness, and his activity as an agriculturist continues unabated.

In 1832 Mr. Carr was united in marriage with Sally Ladd, who was born at Vienna in 1811. Six children were the fruit of this union, namely: Hiram and Helen L., who are no longer living; Albion Carr, who resides in Abbot, this county; Frank S., of Sangerville; Mrs. Sarah J. Smith, of this town; and Calvin Carr, of Bangor.

In politics Mr. Carr is a Democrat. He is one of the principal supporters of the Universalist church, and has contributed liberally toward the erection of the new edifice. His wife, Mrs. Sally L. Carr, died in February, 1888.

FRANK S. CARR, one of Sangerville's most active business men and public-spirited citizens, son of Moses and Sally (Ladd) Carr, was born in this town, July 26, 1834. He obtained his education in the Sangerville schools, and from his early manhood years has been identified with the business interests of this locality, especially the lumbering industry. He operates chiefly upon the Kennebec River, cutting and hauling logs, which he manufactures in all shapes for building purposes. He employs from seventy-five to one hundred men and from forty to fifty horses. He is a director of the Carlton and the Sangerville Woollen Companies' Mills, and takes a lively interest in all measures cal-

culated to increase the business prosperity of the town. He formerly owned a great deal of land now included within the limits of the village, and is the proprietor of a valuable farm. He has resided in the village since 1856, and is regarded as one of the most able and influential business men in the place. Politically, he is a Republican.

On June 12, 1856, Mr. Frank S. Carr was joined in marriage with Miss Sarah Mudgett, born in Parsonsfield, York County, Me., January 28, 1836, daughter of David and Salome (Merrill) Mudgett. Mrs. Carr is the mother of three children, namely: Frederick H., born March 22, 1857; Nellie S., born January 4, 1860; and Alton L. Carr, born September 8, 1865. Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Carr attend the Universalist church.

FREDERICK H. CARR, treasurer of the Sangerville Woollen Company, was born in Abbot, this county, March 22, 1857, son of Frank S. and Sarah (Mudgett) Carr. He was educated in the public schools of Sangerville; and when his studies were completed he engaged in general mercantile business, also acting as station agent for what was then the Bangor & Piscataquis Railroad and agent for the American Express Company. He continued to carry on a general store for ten years, or until 1887, when he became treasurer of the Carlton Woollen Mills. In 1889 he resigned that position, in order to accept his present one with the Sangerville Woollen Company.

Mr. Frederick H. Carr and Susan M. Oakes were married in 1879. They have three children—Harold M., Ethel M., and Omar F. Carr. In politics Mr. F. H. Carr is a Republican, and is a member of the Town Committee. He is connected with Kineo Lodge, F. & A. M., of Guilford; Sangerville Lodge, No. 12, Ancient Order of United Workmen; and Kineo Lodge, I. O. O. F. In his religious opinions he is a Universalist.

The Sangerville Woollen Company, consisting of Moses, Frank S., and Frederick H. Carr, and James L. Gordon, completed their plant in 1891 at a cost of about sixty thousand dollars. It has both steam and water power. The mill was started up with eighteen looms and a force of forty hands; but in order to meet the increasing demands its capacity has been enlarged, and at the present time it contains thirty-two looms, which require a force of sixty operatives. They manufacture men's suitings and ladies' dress goods of a superior quality, making a specialty of goods for gentlemen's wear; and their products are handled extensively by the trade.

James Gordon, the general superintendent, is a native of Readfield, Me., and was born July 2, 1854. At the age of sixteen he began to learn the woollen manufacturing business in Dexter, Me., remaining there until 1875, when he went to Pittsfield, Me., and was employed there for two years. In 1879 he came to Sangerville to work in the Carlton Mills, but a short time later took charge of the weaving department of the Piscataquis Woollen Mills, Guilford, a position he occu-

pied for ten years. In 1889 he became associated with the Sangerville Woollen Company, and has been general superintendent of the plant since it was opened. Mr. Gordon married Mary F. Gilman, in April, 1877, and has two children—Leon F. and Helen H. In politics Mr. Gordon acts with the Republican party. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity.

CHRISTOPHER C. HOYT, of New Portland, Somerset County, a dealer in plain and fancy dry goods, millinery, groceries, hardware, tobacco, and confectionery, was born here, August 22, 1848, son of Moses and Hannah (Ricker) Hoyt, both natives of this town. Moses Hoyt, who was a farmer and lumberman, lived in Industry, Me., for some time; but most of his life was passed in New Portland. He died in 1881, and his wife in 1889. They had a family of eight children, namely: Charles, who died in California, where he was engaged in mining; John, now a farmer in Aroostook County, this State; Augusta, now the wife of Charles Carsley, a farmer of New Portland; Alexander, who is a railroad conductor and resides in South Framingham; Hiram, deceased; Christopher C., the subject of this sketch; Joseph W., deceased; and Mary E., a dressmaker in Lowell, Mass. John married Miss Julia Weymouth, of Aroostook County, and has three children—Merle, Frank, and Ira. Alexander married Miss Angie Porter, of Readfield, Me.

Christopher C. Hoyt was educated in the

common schools of his native town. Having remained with his parents until of age, he then found work in Boston, manufacturing carpenters' tools. After spending three years in that city, he returned to New Portland, and has since followed farming on the homestead, where he has a valuable farm of over three hundred acres. In 1896 he opened a general store, which now has a very successful business. Mr. Hoyt is an enterprising and energetic man, and has prospered in all his undertakings. He was married May 13, 1877, to Louise Williams, of Embden, Somerset County, a daughter of H. T. and Caroline (Peabody) Williams. Mr. Williams, born in Embden, taught school and also managed a farm. At present he is living in New Vineyard, Franklin County. His wife, a native of New Vineyard, died in 1885. Mrs. Hoyt oversees the millinery department of her husband's store. She is the mother of two children: Charles E., born June 26, 1878; and Hastings H., born January 7, 1884. Mr. Hoyt has made many friends. In politics he is a Democrat, but he takes no active part in political affairs. His connection with secret societies is limited to fellowship in Lemon Stream Lodge, No. 55, I. O. O. F., of New Portland, and the Order of the Golden Cross. He is a member of the Universalist church.

ALFRED L. SKINNER was the Postmaster of Bucksport, Hancock County, for twenty-six years. A son of Loring and Hannah Gale (Darling) Skinner,

he was born in this town, November 22, 1824. His first ancestor in this country, Thomas Skinner, is supposed to have emigrated from Colchester, England, and settled at Malden, Mass., in 1653. From Thomas the line of descent is traced through Abraham and Thomas (second) to Thomas (third), who married Hannah Carpenter, and settled in Norton, Mass. Solomon Skinner, the great-grandfather of Alfred L., resided in Norton, and married Mary Grover. Jacob Skinner, the grandfather, born in Norton, settled upon a farm in Mansfield, Mass., and resided there until his death, which occurred January 3, 1837. He married Elona Hodges. One of his sons, Alfred, served as a Captain in the War of 1812.

Loring Skinner, the father, was a native of Mansfield. In 1815 he came to Bucksport, where he was engaged in a mercantile business for the rest of his life, and died here in 1847. He was a man of much industry and enterprise. Absorbed in his business, he did not aspire to public office. Hannah Gale Darling Skinner, his wife, was a daughter of Eliakim Darling, a great-grand-daughter, on the maternal side, of Jonathan Buck, for whom the town of Bucksport was named, and a descendant in the eighth generation of William Buck, who arrived from England in 1635 and settled in Cambridge, Mass. From William the line of descent comes through Roger Buck; Ephraim, who married Sarah Brooks; Ebenezer Buck, who married Lydia Eames, of Haverhill, Mass., and was the father of Jonathan Buck (first), the founder of Bucksport.

Jonathan Buck (first) served as a Lieutenant in the British army and later as a Colonel in the Continental army during the Revolutionary War. Soon after the close of hostilities he came to the Penobscot Valley; and, selecting the locality that bears his name as a favorable spot to open trade with the Indians, he established a post for that purpose. Later he acquired large business interests, both here and in Massachusetts. He married Lydia Morse. Jonathan Buck (second) married Hannah Gale. His daughter, Ruth, married Eliakim Darling, the maternal grandfather of Alfred L. Skinner. Loring and Hannah Gale Skinner were the parents of four children, namely: Alfred L., the subject of this sketch; Charlotte E., who died at the age of thirty-seven years; Hannah J.; and Ann Maria Skinner.

Alfred L. Skinner began his education in the private and district schools of Bucksport. Then, after a three months' course of preparatory instruction at Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., he entered Yale College, from which he was graduated with the class of 1849. Subsequently he pursued a three years' course at the Bangor Theological Seminary, and attended the Andover (Mass.) Seminary for a year. When ready to begin his pastoral labors he was prevented by ill health from accepting a permanent call. For short intervals he supplied pulpits in various parts of the State until 1859, when he decided to permanently retire from the ministry. After this he was for some time in the government's employ as clerk at Fort Knox and in the

engineer's office in Portland. In 1861 he received the appointment of Postmaster at Bucksport, a position that he ably filled for the succeeding twenty-six years. Then for three years he was superintendent of the Bucksport Library, and he is still a trustee of that institution. For several years past he has been engaged in settling estates.

Mr. Skinner married Ruth Avery Chick, a lineal descendant of Richard Warren, the "Mayflower" Pilgrim. She is the mother of two children — Charles L. and Frances C. Skinner. Charles L., who is a Congregationalist minister residing in New Hampshire, married Alice Maude Russell, whose father was killed in the Civil War. They have three children — Russell E., Ruth Angela, and Alfred Loring. Frances C. married Charles S. Homer. In politics Mr. Skinner is a Republican. He was formerly superintendent of schools. A member of the Congregational church, he takes an earnest interest in religious work.

GEORGE W. MORGAN, a prominent farmer and live stock dealer of Guilford, Piscataquis County, was born in this town, August 28, 1847, son of John and Eliza (Herring) Morgan. The grandfather, Samuel Morgan, who was in early life a seafaring man, settled upon new land in Guilford in 1814, and resided here for the rest of his life. Both he and his wife, whose maiden name was Minna Moorehead, lived to an advanced age.

John Morgan, born in North Yarmouth,

Me., in 1803, manufactured lumber and erected the first saw-mill at North Guilford. He was also an extensive speculator in real estate. In his time he was regarded as the wealthiest man in Guilford. He purchased the farm now occupied by his son in 1854, and resided there until his death, which occurred in 1881. In early life a Whig, he later became a Republican, and at one time held the office of Town Treasurer. He attended the Universalist church. Eliza, his wife, became the mother of nine children, three of whom are living, namely: George W., the subject of this sketch; Manley R., of this town; and Emma A., the wife of Albion W. Ellis, of Guilford. The others were: Ann, John, Amanda S., Averill C., Amanda (second), and Mary. The mother died in 1862.

George W. Morgan was educated in the town schools. Since completing his studies he has given his attention to agriculture. Besides his farm of one hundred and sixty-five acres, located near the Piscataquis River, in close proximity to the villages of Guilford and Sangerville, he owns some outlying land. He makes a specialty of buying and selling live stock, generally in large quantities. In April, 1875, he was first united in marriage with Flora D. Moore, a native of Dexter, Me., who died in 1880, leaving two children — Annie L. and John. The latter is now deceased. By his second marriage, which was contracted in 1883 with Mary A. Hazeltine, of Foxcroft, he has three sons — Harry H., Eddie R., and Donald W.

Mr. Morgan is one of the most able and enterprising agriculturists in this locality. His farm buildings are among the best. Representing one of the first settled families in Guilford, he takes much interest in the welfare of the town. He is a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen of Sangerville.

WILLIAM H. MCKENNEY, Town Treasurer of Embden, was born here, September 17, 1845, son of David G. and Sarah (Knowlton) McKenney. The father was born in Woolwich, Sagadahoc County, Me., October 25, 1818. In 1824 he moved from his native town to Embden, and settled on a farm near the present residence of his son. He afterward moved to William H. McKenney's farm, and resided there until 1867. Then his son bought him out, and he found a home in North Anson village. He was a carpenter and stone worker, and was employed in both those trades up to the time of his death, which occurred April 14, 1873. His wife, who was born in Freeman, Franklin County, Me., July 24, 1814, is residing with her son, William H. Six children were born to them, namely: Joseph K., December 17, 1843, who is a carriage maker and repairer, residing in Madison, Me.; William H., the subject of this sketch; Winfield Scott, November 8, 1847, now a travelling salesman, residing at Cherry Valley, Ill.; James, February 19, 1850, who died on April 7 of the same year; Hannah K., April 26, 1851, now the wife of Owen Hooper, a laundryman of

Madison, Me.; and Elizabeth, August 2, 1854, who died January 29, 1882. Joseph K. married Miss Alvina Withee; Winfield Scott married Miss Myra Washburn; and Elizabeth was the wife of Sylvester Jackson, a farmer of Embden.

William H. McKenney acquired a good education at the town school. He remained on the home farm until 1862. On September 10 of that year he enlisted in Company A, Twenty-eighth Maine Regiment, under command of Colonel E. D. Woodman and Captain Seth T. Hutchins, and was subsequently in active service at Fort Donelson and the siege of Port Hudson. His company was also engaged in a number of skirmishes, mostly in Florida and Louisiana. Mr. McKenney received no wound, but, when discharged at Augusta, Me., on August 31, 1863, he was suffering from a severe attack of chills and fever. While at Donelson he was sick of typhoid fever, from which he had not fully recovered. Returning to Embden, he worked for his father and other farmers of the locality until the summer of 1867. He then bought of his father the farm of one hundred and fifty acres which he now manages, and where he has made his home for over thirty years. Besides this he owns the Burns homestead of one hundred and thirty-five acres, another farm of one hundred and twenty acres, and fifty acres of unimproved land. He and his father made all the improvements on the home farm, which is one of the most valuable estates in this locality. While general farming and stock-raising are his chief occupa-

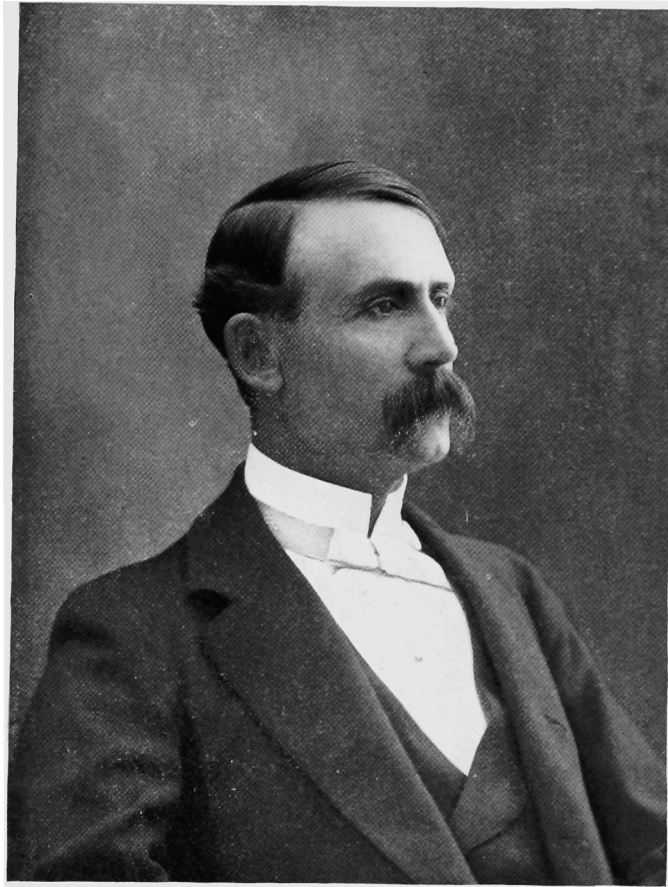
tions, he has a large dairy business, making a specialty of butter.

On June 23, 1867, he was married to Carrie P. Howes, of Strong, Me., a daughter of George and Martha (Knowlton) Howes. She was born August 12, 1844. Mr. Howes, a farmer and carpenter, spent some years in New Vineyard, and passed the latter part of his life in Strong. He died on January 18, 1885, and his wife on October 15, 1889. Mr. and Mrs. McKenney have one child, Walter C., who, born June 11, 1869, is a farmer residing in Anson. He graduated from the Anson Academy in 1892, followed teaching for a time, and married Miss Emma Mayo, of Salem, Me. Mr. McKenney, Sr., voted the Democratic ticket when Horace Greeley was a candidate for the Presidency. With that exception he has been affiliated with the Republican party since he became eligible to vote. He has served as Town Treasurer for five years, and has creditably filled other offices. An esteemed Grand Army man, he belongs to E. O. C. Ard Post of North Anson. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church in North Anson, which he has served as steward, director, and in other capacities. Walter C. McKenney and wife are also members of the same church.

COLONEL CHARLES P. ALLEN, a well-known and popular lawyer of Presque Isle, Aroostook County, was born here, October 21, 1852. A son of

J. Augustus and Lovina (Pratt) Allen, he is a descendant of a family that emigrated from England in Colonial days, and settled in Massachusetts. John Allen, Sr., his paternal great-grandfather, coming from Massachusetts, was a pioneer of Franklin County, Maine.

John Allen, Jr., came to Aroostook County from Franklin in 1839. Here he purchased a large tract of wild land, and subsequently, by farming on it, accumulated quite a sum of money. A man of ability, enterprising, and far-seeing, he was for many years the leading spirit in the settlement of Maysville, and was largely instrumental in bringing the place to its present prosperous condition. In 1861 he bought the land on which the business part of the town now stands, an investment that proved very profitable to him at a later period. He afterward went to California, where he became the owner of extensive vineyards and fruit lands that yielded him a good yearly income. From that time until his death, in 1886, at Presque Isle, he traversed the country between the Atlantic and Pacific many times. To him and his wife four children were born — J. Augustus, John, Frank, and the present Mrs. Warren Pratt. John and Frank are engaged in the fruit business in California. Mrs. Pratt resides in Presque Isle. J. Augustus inherited in a marked degree the business ability that distinguished his father, and was known as one of the most successful farmers of the community in which he lived. He died at his homestead while yet in the prime of life, on February 1, 1862. His wife, Lovina, a daughter of Beniah Pratt, became the mother



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of four children, namely: Charles Plummer, the subject of this brief sketch; Eldora L., who married Charles H. Church; Clinton Augustus, now deceased; and Lizzie E., who is the wife of Fred L. Oak.

After completing his studies at the Presque Isle Academy, Charles P. Allen entered the State University in Orono, Me., from which in 1876, after a four years' course, he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. During the college vacations and the winter following his graduation he was engaged in teaching for six terms. He subsequently studied law with Colonel Jasper Hutchins, of Bangor, and H. R. Downs, of Presque Isle, and in 1877 was admitted to the bar. Since then he has followed his profession here, acquiring the reputation of one of the most skilful attorneys in the State. He organized the National Bank of Presque Isle, of which he was the president for three years; and the Merchants' Trust and Banking Company, of which he was the president for several years. For four years he was County Attorney of Aroostook County. While serving in that capacity, he tried a murder case, obtaining a verdict of manslaughter, for which he received special mention in the report of the acting attorney-general, ex-Governor Cleaves. From 1888 until 1894 he was Judge Advocate, with the title of Colonel, on the staff of Governor Burleigh. Fraternally, he is a Knight Templar and a Knight of Pythias.

In politics he is an uncompromising Republican, and was a member of the State Republican Committee for four years. He repre-

sented the district in the legislature of 1891 and 1892. For nine years he served as Town Treasurer; and, in addition to aiding the cause of education as a member of the local School Board, he is one of the trustees of the Maine State University.

Dealing extensively in realty, he is the owner of many valuable building lots in the village. He likewise owns a farm of three hundred acres; and, notwithstanding that all the labor of conducting it is paid for, he considers it very remunerative property, and every year is more and more convinced that farming in Aroostook County is profitable. On October 3, 1881, he was married to Annie, daughter of Major J. Fenno, of Bangor. They have one child, Edward A.

GEORGE GRIFFIN BROWN, of Brownville, Piscataquis County, a kinsman of Moses Brown, whose memory is perpetuated in the name of the town, was born here on the farm which is still his home, August 21, 1840, son of Francis W. and Mary J. (Griffin) Brown. The paternal grandfather, Francis Brown, was a native of West Newbury, Mass., born February 9, 1780. In 1812 he came to Brownville and settled, being the first to make a permanent home here. His object was to look after the property of his uncle, Moses Brown, who owned the township. He made the journey over a road indicated only by spotted trees. Upon his arrival he built a log house for his dwelling, and then began to clear the land and bring a

portion of it under cultivation. As agent for his uncle he sold a large part of the township, in this way gathering about him other settlers, and finally establishing the town of Brownville. He further contributed to its advancement by building the first saw and grist mills. In 1819, seven years from the time he came here, he helped to organize the Congregational church, of which he afterward became a Deacon, and whose first minister was ordained in his barn, where meetings were held. This barn is still in a good state of preservation. Grandfather Brown was also very active in the administration of town affairs, serving as First Selectman and Town Treasurer. He was a Whig in politics. Although he had but six weeks' schooling, by availing himself of every opportunity he became well informed on topics of general interest. Like other self-educated persons, he was strong-minded and a man of excellent business capacity. When he died he owned a fine farm of three hundred and seventy-five acres. The house in which his grandson lives was built by him, under his personal supervision, he being a master carpenter and builder, having served an apprenticeship of seven years. None but the best materials were used in the construction of the house, which is still substantial and well preserved. On September 28, 1804, he married Hannah Dustin, who was born in West Newbury, Mass., November 23, 1781. Eight children were born to them, as follows: Mary J., June 28, 1805; William, December 9, 1806; Eleanore, December 1, 1808; Eliza G., No-

vember 12, 1810; Francis W., October 15, 1813; Moses W., June 15, 1818; Hannah, June 20, 1822; and Luther, October 15, 1824. Of these the eldest son, William, is living. The father died here, June 19, 1854, and the mother on May 6, 1861.

Francis W. Brown, the father of George G., inherited the home farm, on which he erected the smaller buildings, and made many improvements. That he also succeeded his father in the esteem and confidence of his townsmen is shown by the fact that for many years he held the office of first Selectman, was Town Treasurer for over a score of years, and a member of the Maine legislature for one term. In politics he was a Republican. Although he never subscribed to any religious creed, he was a regular attendant upon the services of the Congregational church, and was a chorister there for over thirty years. He died here, November 17, 1895. His first wife, Mary J. Griffin Brown, died in December, 1840, leaving one child, George Griffin Brown. His second marriage was contracted with Abbie S. Ryder, who died childless, July 26, 1891.

George Griffin Brown grew to manhood here on the old Brown homestead, and was educated in the schools of Brownville. He has followed the inherited vocation of general farmer, and is now owner of the homestead, which has never passed out of the hands of the family since it was taken up. When but fourteen years old he helped in the work of clearing the land. He has always taken pride in keeping everything about the premises in

good shape. The location of his home, on a hill overlooking Brownville, is a very desirable one. Before he sold it for village lots, he owned all the land between his farm and Pleasant River. He is very popular, and now holds the office of Town Treasurer. He has served one term as Selectman. In 1863 he was united in marriage with Miss Eliza A. Ryder, a daughter of Jotham and Lydia Ryder. She was born in Brownville, August 15, 1838. They have no children. Both are members of the Congregational church, in which he is a Deacon. In politics he is a Republican. He is a member of the order of Pilgrim Fathers at Brownville.

EDWIN A. PORTER, M.D., a popular physician residing at Pittsfield village, was born February 1, 1856, in Dixmont, Me., son of Albert O. and Susan (Farnham) Porter. The father, who was also a native of Dixmont, resided in that town up to 1884, and then removed to Montville, where he has since been engaged in farming. His wife, Susan, born in Jefferson, Me., has had four children, namely: Edwin A., the subject of this sketch; F. Addison Porter, who is now a professor of music in the New England Conservatory; Evie, who died at the age of sixteen; and Clarenteen F., who resides with his parents on the farm in Montville.

Dr. Porter attended the graded schools and high school. Subsequently in Pittsfield he was a student of the institute for a year and a half. He then secured a place as clerk in

the employment of Wood, Bishop & Co., stove dealers in Bangor, and remained with them a year. After this, having decided to become a physician, he read medicine with Dr. Weed, of Dixmont, for a while, studied at the University of Vermont in Burlington and the medical college in New York City, and in 1881 received his degree of Doctor of Medicine from the University of New York. Shortly after he settled for the practice of his profession in Liberty, Me. He had spent fourteen and one-half years in Liberty when, in February, 1896, he came to Pittsfield. Although he has been here but a short time, the Doctor has become very popular, and has secured a goodly amount of patronage. His skill as a physician is unquestioned, and his services are sought, not only by the people of this town, but by those of adjoining towns. His office hours are from 1.30 to 2.30 in the afternoon and from seven to eight o'clock in the evening.

On June 30, 1881, the Doctor was united in marriage with Amorette L. Emery, of Monroe, Me., who is a daughter of Naham and Maria Frances (Dodge) Emery, both now deceased. Mr. Emery was a farmer. Dr. and Mrs. Porter have two children, namely: Minnie, born in 1882; and Amorette, born in 1887. The Doctor takes a warm interest in all affairs of public importance. While in Liberty he was a member of the School Board. In politics he always votes the Republican ticket. A Mason of long standing, he was Master of the Masonic lodge in Liberty for three years, the Deputy of the Seventh Ma-

sonic District for two years, and at present he is a member of the chapter of Pittsfield. He is also a member of Phleutonia Lodge, No. 151, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Pittsfield; and of Enterprise Lodge, American Order of United Workmen, of Belfast, of which he has been District Deputy. Professionally, he is affiliated with the Maine Medical Association, the Waterville Clinical Society, and Academy of Medicine of Portland, Me., and the Sebasticook Clinical Society of Pittsfield, Me. Both he and Mrs. Porter are members of the Baptist Church of Pittsfield, which the Doctor serves in the capacity of assistant superintendent of the Sunday-school.

BENJAMIN HILTON, who was for many years an esteemed resident of Anson and the proprietor of the Somerset House, was born in the village of Anson on November 2, 1835. A son of Edgar and Adeline (Moore) Hilton, he was descended from one of the oldest and most honored families in the county. Both parents, natives of the town of Anson, spent nearly all their lives there. The father, a farmer, died on August 26, 1886. The mother died on July 26, 1868. They had a family of seven children, whose names may be found in the biography of Benjamin's brother, John Hilton.

The boyhood of Benjamin Hilton was passed on a farm. In 1855 he went to Boston, and was there employed in a store for some time. In August of the following year he returned

home. He and his brother John in the fall of 1857 purchased a large farm, on which they were engaged in farming until December, 1859. Then Benjamin went to California, and spent there three years at the head of the extensive sheep-breeding establishment of Messrs. Flint, Bixby & Co. For several years after his return to the East he continued in the sheep business, devoting much time to the study of the best flocks and the best breeding animals. From 1876 to 1881 he made annual trips to Vermont for the purpose of purchasing high-grade, fine-wool sheep, and brought to his farm in Anson about three hundred sheep for breeding purposes. He became an expert judge of fine-wool sheep, and was said to be without question the most judicious breeder of the same in New England. Mr. Hilton was the first to conceive the idea of introducing Shropshire sheep and Welsh ponies into the State of Maine. In 1886 he visited Scotland and England, and purchased and subsequently brought to America eleven of these ponies and forty-nine sheep. Shortly afterward twenty more ponies were added to the number, making thirty-one in all. He began his connection with hotel-keeping shortly after his return from California. In 1863 he and the late William Brown became joint proprietors of the Somerset Hotel, which they conducted under the name of Brown & Hilton. He added lumbering to his list of enterprises in 1894.

On February 26, 1867, Mr. Hilton was united in marriage with Miss Helen A. Fletcher, a native of Portland, this county,

born April 17, 1847. She is a daughter of George A. and Susan S. (Mantor) Fletcher, both natives of Anson. The father, now deceased, who resided there during the most of his life, was a merchant of North Anson village, the treasurer of both the savings-bank and the Somerset Railroad, and the Register of Deeds for many years. The mother, who survives, resides with Mrs. Hilton. Mr. and Mrs. Hilton had one child, Harry B., born September 14, 1876, now residing with his mother. Mrs. Brown also makes her home with Mrs. Hilton, whose residence is a beautiful cottage in Main Street, on North Anson Hill. Mr. Hilton was a trustee and superintendent of the horse department of the Maine State Fair from 1885 to 1888, and was a life member of the organization. He had tact, judgment, and ability, such as few men possess; and his career is a striking illustration of what may be accomplished in life by the man who bends all his energies upon his work. In 1895 he was stricken with paralysis, but partially recovered. His death occurred on May 8, 1896.

HORATIO NELSON PAGE, a retired farmer of Norridgewock, occupying the old Page homestead, and a son of the late Simon Page, was born February 18, 1809, in Winthrop, Kennebec County. Simon Page, born in 1773, who settled on the present homestead about sixty years ago, spent the first nine years of his life in Kensington, N.H. Thereafter until 1815 he resided in

the town of Winthrop, Me., where he married Miss Susan Smith, who was born in Middleboro, Mass. Then he came with his family to Norridgewock, settling on a farm near the village, where he was engaged in agricultural pursuits for a score or more years. In 1836 he purchased the farm now occupied by his son Horatio, and here he and his wife spent their remaining days, his death occurring September 9, 1853, at the age of eighty years. She died April 16, 1856, aged eighty-six years. They became the parents of three children, namely: John Calvin, now deceased, who married Fanny Gould, also deceased; Horatio N., the subject of this sketch; and Henry Lewis, who died at the age of five years and seven months.

Horatio N. Page acquired a good education in the common schools of Norridgewock and at the academy in Farmington. For some time after leaving the academy he was engaged in teaching in Somerset County, having charge of schools in Madison, Mercer, and Norridgewock. Selecting farming, however, as his life occupation, he remained with his parents; and, as the burdens of age grew heavy upon them, relieved them of all care, and made easy and pleasant the closing years of their earthly pilgrimage. In time he succeeded to the home farm, which contains one hundred and twenty acres of good land. His practical sense and natural ability have since enabled him to conduct it successfully. While he carries on general farming and dairying, he makes a specialty of sheep-raising, breeding high grades only.

On October 10, 1837, he married Miss Hannah Page, who was born November 20, 1818, in Winthrop, Me., daughter of Sewell and Mary (White) Page. Her father, a life-long farmer, who was born in Winthrop, lived and died in that town. Her mother was born and reared in New Market, N.H. Mr. and Mrs. Page have had four children — George Nelson, Mary Elizabeth, Edward Payson, and Henry Lewis. George N., born October 17, 1838, now a prominent resident of Skowhegan and the cashier of the First National Bank of that place, married Mary E. Salvage, of Augusta, Me. Mary E., born December 18, 1842, resides on the homestead with her parents. Edward P., born December 26, 1846, married Mary Lizzie Randall, of Vassalboro, and now lives in Skowhegan, where he is the secretary and treasurer of the Skowhegan Savings Bank. Henry L., born October 4, 1858, died March 12, 1883. He married on November 2, 1881, Miss Lilla M. McIntire, who is now living in Boston.

In his younger days Mr. Page was an adherent of the Whig party, and cast his first Presidential vote for William Henry Harrison, but since the formation of the Republican party he has been one of its staunchest supporters. Besides serving in many other public offices, he was for thirteen consecutive years Township Clerk and the chairman of the Board of Selectmen, having been first chosen in 1857. For many years he was a member of the local lodge of the Sons of Temperance, and throughout his entire life he has practised the principles of that organization, having never

tasted intoxicating liquors. Both Mr. and Mrs. Page are members of the Norridgewock Congregational Church, of which he has been clerk for forty years and Deacon for twenty years. Time has dealt gently with this venerable couple, who for half a century have trod life's pathway hand in hand. With comparatively undiminished mental and physical vigor, they are still enjoying the blessings of life, happy alike in their past experience and present environment.

CAPTAIN JOHN COLLINS, a retired ship-master of Castine, Hancock County, and formerly of the United States navy, was born on Deer Isle, Me., April 29, 1832, son of John and Rosanna (Coombs) Collins. The great-grandfather was James Collins, who settled upon land about one mile from the village of Castine, and built a frame house. He was a Loyalist during the Revolutionary War. When the town was evacuated by the British, he accepted an offer made by the Crown of land in St. Andrews, N.B., to all who desired to remove to British territory; and he never returned to Castine. The maiden name of his first wife was Hannah Abbott, and of his second, Miss Pratt. The grandfather, John Collins (first), who was born in Mount Desert, Province of Maine, July 29, 1770, remained in Castine, where he followed the tailor's trade, kept a public house, and was assistant jailer when this town was the county seat. Subsequently



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he moved to Frankfort and later to the Isle au Haut, where he died at about the age of sixty years. He married Polly Lamphier, and reared a family of nine children, of whom John Collins (second), Captain Collins's father, was the fifth-born and the fourth son.

John Collins (second), a native of Castine, born August 1, 1803, followed the sea as a fisherman and coaster, becoming a master mariner. He resided on Deer Isle some twelve years, at the end of which time he removed to Castine, and died here at the age of ninety years. His wife, Rosanna, who belonged to a highly reputable family, became the mother of thirteen children, five of whom are living; namely, John, George N., Charles A., Joseph H., and Rosanna M. Of these, Captain George N. resides in this locality. The deceased were: Dr. Willard C., Ellen R., Hannah, Edward F. M., Frances A., Mary E., and two infants.

John Collins was educated in the schools of Deer Isle and Castine. His sea life began when he was a youth; and he continued in the merchant service until December 21, 1861, when he entered the United States navy as acting master, commanding during the Civil War the United States schooner "George Mangham" and the steamer "Nerius." At the capture of New Orleans he suffered a severe attack of concussion of the brain, from the effects of which he has never fully recovered. In May, 1865, he was placed on waiting orders in New York, and, after receiving an honorable discharge at the United States navy-yard in Kittery, he continued to follow

the sea in the foreign trade until his retirement in 1872.

Captain Collins married Mary A. Carter, a daughter of Vespasian and Abigail (Hamilton) Carter, of Blue Hill. His only child, Warren E., died in infancy. Politically, Captain Collins is a Republican. He is a member of the Masonic order, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of the Grand Army of the Republic.

MR. JOHN KELLER AMES, a well-known lumber manufacturer of Machias, Washington County, and Collector of Customs for the Machias District, was born in East Machias, November 7, 1831, son of Alfred and Mary G. (Keller) Ames. His grandfather Ames was for some time in the United States revenue service. Alfred Ames, who was born in Machias, received his education in the district schools. When a young man he engaged in seafaring, soon became the master of a vessel, and subsequently sailed on many foreign voyages. Ill of a fever, he came home from Cuba, and died when his son John was nine years old. His wife, Mary, was a daughter of John Keller, of Thomaston, Me. Of her children four grew to maturity: John Keller, the subject of this biography; Benjamin F., who resides in San Francisco; Martin Van B., of Machias; and Maria Louisa, who is the wife of George E. Furber, of Boston. The mother was a Baptist. After the death of her first husband she married Dr. William H. Tobey,

and by him had three children, of whom the only survivor is Susan K., now residing in Boston.

Having received his elementary education in the town schools, John Keller Ames attended Washington Academy for three and one-half years. Then, on July 17, 1849, he entered the employ of S. W. Pope & Co. as a clerk. In 1861 he practically took charge of the business, and thereafter carried it on until the proprietors died in 1880. In this year he succeeded to the management of the store, and has since carried it on. The establishment is now one of the largest in the town, and does a large business. Starting in 1855, Mr. Ames now carries on one of the largest lumber factories in this section of the State. At present he has one and a half million feet of lumber in process of seasoning. On the average he cuts about five million feet annually, and employs about seventy-five men, usually adding twenty-five extra workmen for the winter's work. Previous to the Civil War he shipped large quantities of lumber to the West Indies. In 1881 the firm of Holloway, Sullivan & Co., of which Mr. Ames is a member, was organized. This is a lumber manufacturing concern, with a capacity of six million feet annually.

By his marriage with Sarah, daughter of Cyrus Sanborn, of East Machias, Mr. Ames has six children, namely: Edward Gardner, of Port Gamble, Wash., who is assistant manager of one of the largest lumber concerns in that State; Anna, who is the wife of Frederick H. Peavey, of Sioux City, Ia.; Julia Pope, who

is the wife of Rufus C. Fuller, of Providence, R.I.; Frank Sanborn, a resident of Machias; Alfred Keller, Lieutenant of Company M, Second Regiment, National Guards, of Machias; and Lucy Talbot. The mother died in 1891. Mr. Ames has been a trustee of the Machias Savings Bank. At present he is a trustee of the Porter Memorial Library Association, of the Central Washington Agricultural Society, and of the Machias Park Association. In politics he is a Republican. He has been a Selectman almost continuously for thirty years. His appointment as Collector of Customs for the District of Machias dates from July 26, 1897. In 1893 he was elected to the Maine Senate, and while there was a member of the Committee on Agriculture, the Interior Water Commission, and the Committee on Engrossed Bills, and the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Bridges. During his second year he was the chairman of the Committee on Interior Waters, and served in the Committees on Inland Fisheries and Game, and Engrossed Bills. Mr. Ames attends and supports the Universalist church.

WILSON W. SAWTELLE, a prosperous farmer of Shirley, where he has been for more than a decade of years one of the leading town officers, and is now serving as chairman of the Board of Selectmen and as Town Treasurer, was born in Corinna, Penobscot County, Me., February 1, 1837. He is a son of Salmon G. and Joanna (Glid-

den) Sawtelle. His great-grandfather, Jonas Sawtelle, born in Groton, Mass., in 1758, married Eunice Kemp, and in 1792 removed to Norridgewock, Me., a part of which is now Sidney. Later in life Jonas Sawtelle was an early settler in Corinna, arriving there in 1815. On January 1, 1817, his son Samuel and his grandson Salmon G. also came to Corinna. All three were farmers, and each in turn owned the home farm in Corinna.

Samuel Sawtelle, Wilson W. Sawtelle's grandfather, was born in Groton, Mass., and was an early settler in Sidney, Me. He married a Miss Hannah Grover, a native of Groton. Salmon G. Sawtelle was born at Sidney, Me. He is still living on the old Corinna farm. The Sawtelles have all been hard-working, enterprising men.

Salmon G. Sawtelle's first wife, Joanna, was born in Jackson, Me. She died in 1846, when Wilson W. was nine years old. His second wife was her sister, Sarah E. Glidden. He has had a family of twelve children, six of whom are living—namely, Wilson W., Avery, George, Hannah, Frank, and Fred; and six have died—Charles, an infant, Sylvester, Emma, Eva, and Abbie.

Wilson W. Sawtelle remained on the home farm assisting his father until of age. He was then for three years engaged in different kinds of business. In May, 1861, he joined a military company, which was shortly disbanded; and on January 14, 1862, he again volunteered for the defence of the Union, enlisting in the Sixth Maine Battery of Light Artillery. He was in the Army of the Poto-

mac about three years and a half, and saw much hard service. He was with General Banks's division at the battle of Cedar Mountain, August 9, 1862; also at Gettysburg, July 2 and 3, where he helped repel Pickett's celebrated charge. He was with the Army of the Potomac under General Grant, and participated in the following battles: Wilderness, Spottsylvania, North Anna River, Cold Harbor, and in the siege of Petersburg. On June 18, 1864, during the siege of Petersburg, he was wounded in the left hand. For this injury, with other disabilities, he receives a United States pension. In the early part of his service he was in the hospital three months. He received his first discharge February 7, 1864, and, re-enlisting again in the same company, received his final discharge June 17, 1865.

On his return he bought land in Dexter, Me., where he lived thirteen years. In 1878 he purchased a farm in Shirley, and since that time he has made his home in this town. He has a good, productive farm of one hundred and fifty acres, which he redeemed from the wilderness, and good buildings, which were erected under his supervision. In April, 1898, Mr. Sawtelle purchased the farm formerly owned by Joseph Dennen, and he moved into his present residence the same month.

Mr. Sawtelle was married October 9, 1865, to Clara M. Hardison, of Dexter, Me. She died April 4, 1882, leaving seven children; namely, Myrtie E., Elledge W., Costello A., Millie J., Annie C., Ada M., and Harry I., all of whom are now living. Mr. Sawtelle

married for his second wife Miss Sarah E. Cargill, of Augusta, Me., October 10, 1889.

Mr. Sawtelle, who is a Democrat in political affiliation, has served for thirteen years on the Board of Selectmen, has been chairman of the board for the past four years, and is now Town Treasurer. He is very active and influential in town affairs. He was nominated by the Democrats for the office of County Commissioner in 1896 and as Representative to the legislature in 1898. He was appointed by Governor Powers Justice of the Peace, April 28, 1898. He is a member of Gerry Post, No. 5, G. A. R., at Monson.

GEORGE GILBERT LONG, Postmaster at East Blue Hill, Hancock County, Me., where he was born on February 21, 1835, is a son of the late Joel and Abigail (Friend) Long and grandson of Joel Long of the preceding generation, who was the first settler at East Blue Hill, locating himself in the wilderness and clearing a farm.

Grandfather Long, the pioneer, was born at Castine, Me., in July, 1782. When a young man he learned the trade of a comb-maker in Boston. After coming to this place, about the year 1810, he operated a saw-mill for some time, later purchasing the property. He acquired prosperity as a farmer, millman, and ship-builder. He died in November, 1871. His wife was Eliza Rogers, of Boston, Mass.

Joel Long, second, father of George G. Long, was born in Sedgwick, Me., in October, 1808. In connection with farming he

followed the trade of brickmaker. At his death he owned a greater portion of the land now occupied by the village of East Blue Hill. He also engaged in ship-building to some extent, and owned in several vessels. He died in July, 1875. His wife, whose maiden name was Abigail Friend, was a native of Sedgwick, born in October, 1807. She died in March, 1884, having been the mother of seven children, namely: George G., the subject of this sketch; Moses F.; Aurilla A.; Abby A., who died in infancy; Rowland H.; Clara A.; and Francis D. Moses F. Long enlisted in Company H, Fourth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, and was Orderly Sergeant. He was killed in the battle of Fredericksburg, leaving a widow (who was before marriage Margaret Towns) and two children — Alice and Moses A. Aurilla A. Long married Francis Ingalls. She died in May, 1861, leaving one son, Hartland. Francis Ingalls was killed at the battle of Gettysburg. Rowland H. Long, who was captain of a lake steamship, married Fanny Parker, of Blue Hill. He died in Chicago in 1896, and left a widow and one daughter, Lottie. Clara A. married John A. Miller, and died leaving two children — Frank A. and Nellie I. Miller. Francis D. Long married Henrietta Cousins, and had three children — Carrie B., Harvey P., and Ward S. He has for several years been one of the Selectmen of Blue Hill.

George G. Long in his youth attended the Blue Hill Academy. In March, 1857, he went to California, where he worked in the

mines and upon a ranch for two years. Going thence to Oregon, in May, 1859, he was for a time engaged in teaching school. He then pursued a course of study at the Pacific University, Forest Grove, Ore.; and after its completion he resumed teaching, and was county superintendent of schools. Returning home in December, 1870, he was engaged in teaching, and also worked at stone-cutting until 1890. Since that time he has filled the office of Postmaster and Justice of the Peace.

On May 1, 1864, at West Chehalem, Ore., Mr. Long was united in marriage with Nancy Jane Rogers. She was born on October 19, 1841, in Lee County, Iowa, and in 1846 she made the journey from Iowa to Oregon with her parents in a wagon train. Mr. and Mrs. Long have had seven children born to them, namely: Aurilla M.; Clara L.; Lizzie P.; Georgia I.; Susie E.; Mary A.; and Eugene H., who died aged thirteen months. Aurilla M. married Wilber M. Wardwell, of East Blue Hill, and has three children—Mabel A., Lena M., and Margaret. Clara L. is the wife of Ellis Stansfield, of East Blue Hill, and has two children—Gilbert Wayne and Ernest Eugene. Lizzie P. married Charles H. Wardwell, of East Blue Hill; and Georgia I. married Edwin W. Barton, of Springfield, Mass. Mr. Long is a member of the Masonic order, being at the present time (1898) Master of the lodge at Blue Hill. In his religious belief he is a Baptist; and in politics he acts with the Republican party, having cast his first Presidential vote for John C. Fremont in 1856.

HON. LLEWELLYN POWERS, a representative citizen, not only of Aroostook County, but of the State of Maine, of which he is the present Governor, was born at Pittsfield, Me., in 1838, son of Arba and Naomi (Mathews) Powers. His father was one of the pioneer settlers of Pittsfield, where he was engaged in farming and lumbering. Industrious and enterprising, the elder Powers was fairly successful in worldly affairs, though hampered to some extent by the burden of a large family, eight boys and two girls. Their mother was a school teacher before marriage. Six of the sons engaged in the practice of law.

Llewellyn Powers was born in the log house that constituted at one time his parents' primitive dwelling. He acquired the rudiments of knowledge in the common schools of his native town, fitted for college at St. Albans and Waterville Academies (the latter now known as Coburn Classical Institute), and entered Colby University in the class of 1861. Leaving college in his Sophomore year to enter the Albany University Law School at Albany, N.Y., he was there graduated in December, 1860, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Shortly after his graduation he was admitted to the New York bar, and in the following December to the bar of Somerset County, Maine, at Norridgewock. In January, 1861, he began practice in Houlton, where he had an extensive practice for twenty-five years. He was then admitted to the bar of Suffolk County, Massachusetts, and practised his profession for some four years in that

county, making his home in Brookline, an attractive suburb of Boston. He was also admitted to the United States District and Circuit Courts.

Elected County Attorney for Aroostook County in 1864, he held that office for six years, performing its duties with pre-eminent ability. He was the first Collector of Customs for the Aroostook District, being appointed by President Grant in 1868, serving four years, and declining a reappointment tendered him in 1873. He represented his district in the legislature in 1873-74, 1874-75, 1875-76, and 1883, much of the time serving on the Judiciary Committee, of which in 1875-76 he was chairman. It was while on this committee that he gave evidence of a capacity for public affairs that attracted the attention of his fellow-citizens throughout the State, and resulted in his elevation to his present high position as the Chief Magistrate of the State. He introduced and carried through, in spite of strong opposition, the bill for abolishing capital punishment, which has since been in operation, notwithstanding efforts made to revoke it. In 1876 he was elected to the national House of Representatives from the Fourth Maine District. In 1878 he was renominated by acclamation, but was defeated with many other Republican candidates, owing to the "Greenback" delusion that swept the State that year.

Retiring for a time from active politics, except as his services were demanded on the stump, he gave his chief attention to the practice of his profession and to his vari-

ous private interests, which included the ownership and management of large tracts of timber land, some two hundred thousand acres in all. Of this realty he began the purchase in 1872. He was one of the original twenty persons interested in the "Burleigh Scheme," which culminated in the building of the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad, Mr. Powers liberally subscribing to the stock, besides conceding the right of way through his property.

In 1892, being persuaded by his friends to re-enter public life, he was again elected to the legislature, and his thorough knowledge of public affairs and brilliant qualities of leadership soon made him one of the most talked of men in the House. Re-elected in 1895, he was chosen Speaker, receiving the votes of all the Republican members; and in this capacity also he fulfilled the most sanguine expectations of his friends, displaying rare judgment, tact, and executive ability. His nomination to the gubernatorial chair followed almost as a logical conclusion; and he was elected in September, 1896, by the largest majority ever given a candidate for that office in the State of Maine. Of his record as Governor up to the present time (April, 1898) no more need now be said than that it has been worthy of himself, of his party, and of the old Pine Tree State, whose public men have proved themselves the equal in statesmanship of those of any other section of the Union.

Governor Powers is an able and interesting public speaker, and his services in this capacity have been of great value to his party in

many political campaigns. His speech to the members of the House of Representatives on assuming the office of Speaker was a model of its kind, being brief, yet comprehensive, and to the point. His great personal popularity is another element of his strength that should be taken into account by all those who would review his past career or attempt to forecast his political future. Besides the private interests already mentioned, Governor Powers holds stock in several banks in Aroostook County and elsewhere. A member of the Masonic order, he is Past Master in the Blue Lodge, and belongs also to the chapter.

He married December 25, 1886, Martha A. Averill, of Lincoln, Me. He has five children — Walter A., Martha P., Doris V., Ralph A., and Margaret L.

KENDALL K. THOMPSON, a lifelong resident of Thompson's Island, Hancock County, was born on the homestead where he now resides, June 15, 1828. A son of William Thompson, he comes of Revolutionary stock, his grandfather, Cornelius Thompson, having served in the Revolution as captain of a privateer when but twenty-one years old. Cornelius subsequently removed from Beverly Farms, Mass., to Hull's Cove, Mount Desert Island. Here he took up a tract of unbroken land, erected a log cabin, which was the first house erected on the island, cleared a comfortable farm, and thereafter was engaged in farming and fishing until he died, at the age of fifty-seven years.

William Thompson, born in Eden, near Hull's Cove, while yet a boy became as familiar with the sea as with the land. While serving on board of a privateer in the War of 1812, he was captured at an early stage of the struggle, and taken first to Halifax, N. S., thence to a prison ship in one of the English ports, from which he was transferred to Dartmoor Prison, and confined until the close of the war. Resuming his former occupation as soon as he was released, he sailed to various foreign ports within the next four years. After this he established himself as a ship-builder on the island on which he was reared, continuing thereafter in that business until his demise, in the seventy-sixth year of his age. Through his petition Thompson's Island has been set off from Eden, and is now a part of the town of Trenton, with which it is connected by a toll bridge built by him. He was much interested in everything relating to the welfare of his native town, and served for one term as Selectman. His wife, in maidenhood Almena Kittredge, who was a resident of Mount Desert, bore him nine children, namely: Daniel S., deceased, who married Julia Somes, and had an only child, Frederick S., now a resident of Chicago; Kendall K., the subject of this biography; Henrietta K., who is the widow of Captain J. C. Nichols, and resides in Searsport, Me.; Sarah F., who is unmarried, and lives in Trenton; Annie, residing in Richmond, Va., who is the widow of the late Robert G. Scott, and has two children — Madison and Kitty; George W., who enlisted in the Thirty-first Maine Volunteer

Infantry, and was killed at the battle of Petersburg, while acting as Captain of his company; John L., a resident of Bar Harbor, who married Mrs. Hattie Small, of Millbridge, Me.; Virginia C., unmarried, who lives in Trenton; and Grace, the wife of Benjamin Plummer, of Philadelphia, who has four children — William S., George C., Grace, and Henrietta.

After completing his education at the Brownville Academy, Kendall K. Thompson taught school for one year. Prior to that time, however, having begun when he was twelve years old, he had made several voyages. He subsequently worked on the farm some, and for about one year was captain of one of his father's vessels. In his early life he operated a large saw-mill in Georgia for a time. Since his return to the scenes of his childhood he served as Postmaster for thirty-eight years, having begun under the Buchanan administration; and since the death of his father he has been toll collector at the bridge, which he has entirely rebuilt.

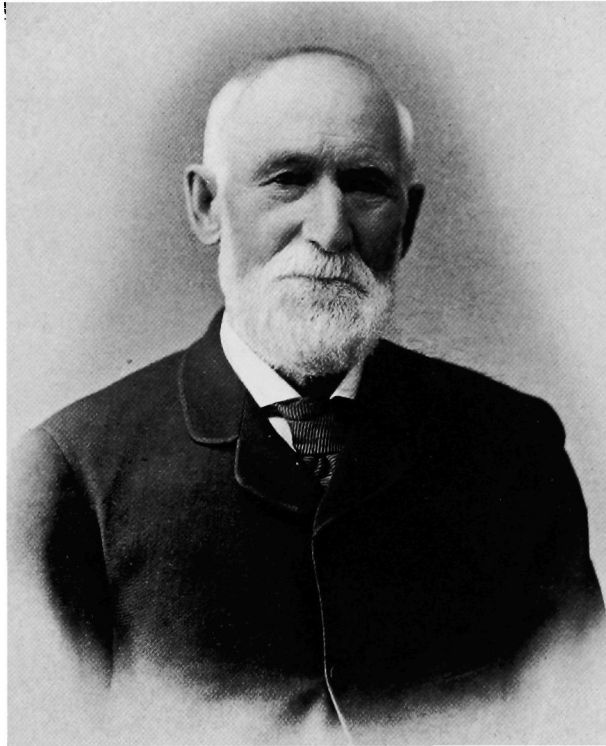
Mr. Thompson is an uncompromising Republican in politics. In 1871 he represented his district in the State legislature, and for ten years he was Town Treasurer. Prior to the division of the town he was Selectman, and served as Collector for ten years. Now he is second Selectman. He is a member of the local lodge of Free Masons. On February 15, 1854, he married Amanda C. Clark, of St. Mary's, Ga. Their union has been blessed by the birth of three children — William T., Almema, and Clifford N. William

T., now engaged in seafaring, married Miss Bertha Joy, of Ellsworth, Me.; and Clifford N., a resident of Cambridge, Mass., married Miss Annie Alexander, a native of England.

ISAAC MORSE, a well-known farmer of Norridgewock, Somerset County, Me., was born in Lincolnville, Waldo County, this State, April 10, 1820, son of Simeon and Mary (Pendleton) Morse. His paternal grandfather, Charles Morse, who was born March 20, 1754, was a privateersman during the Revolutionary War. Charles Morse came to Maine from Marblehead, Mass., and was one of the first settlers at Camden Harbor. He married Sarah Gay, who was born December 23, 1753. They reared four children.

Simeon Morse, son of Charles and father of Isaac, was born July 9, 1785. He was a farmer during his active years, and was a Deacon of the Baptist church. He died April 14, 1860. His wife, Mary Pendleton, daughter of Jonathan Pendleton, of Long Island, Me., was the mother of twelve children, of whom two sons and two daughters still survive.

Isaac Morse removed with his parents from Lincolnville to Skowhegan when he was four years old. Upon the completion of his education at the Bloomfield Academy he worked as a farm assistant for eight months, and for the next four years he was engaged in cutting and driving logs. He then went to Woburn, Mass., where he was employed as a section hand on the branch railroad until succeeding to the ownership of a farm of two hundred



ISAAC MORSE.

acres in Norridgewock. He has since been engaged in the management and cultivation of his property, with good results. He has also acted as agent for various lumbering companies. He was formerly a Democrat in politics, but joined the Republican party at its formation. His first Presidential vote was cast for James K. Polk in 1844.

On July 10, 1851, Mr. Morse was joined in marriage with Sarah A. Hathorne, daughter of Zenas Hathorn, of Solon, Me. He has six children living, namely: Edwin, treasurer of a mining company in Colorado; Angie L., who married Horace Williamson, and resides in Madison, S. Dak.; Albion H., who lives at the parental home; Frank S., a travelling agent for a firm in Chicago, where he resides; Carrie C., who lives in Lynn, Mass.; and Lelia B. Morse, who is agent for the Maine Bible Society.

FRANK J. ROBINSON, M.D., an able and successful physician of Fairfield, Me., was born in St. Albans, Me., in the same county, Somerset, January 23, 1850. He is a son of John and Mary (Nutter) Robinson. His father was born in Lisbon, Me., June 30, 1810; and his mother is a native of Dixmont, Me., and was born July 5, 1812.

John Robinson has resided in St. Albans since 1834. In his youth and early manhood he was a shoemaker. The greater part of his life, however, has been devoted to general farming. Although now eighty-eight years old, he is still in full control of his faculties and exceedingly active for one of his age.

His wife is also a remarkably well-preserved woman. John and Mary Robinson have had six children, namely: Orlando M., of Dexter, Me., who is proprietor of a patent medicine; Lorinda S., who is residing in Dover, Me., and is the widow of Daniel E. Genthner, a minister and a farmer; Rebecca, who died at the age of forty-two years; William, who is no longer living; Frank J., the subject of this sketch; and Charles M. Robinson, formerly a teacher in a business college and now manufacturer of the celebrated Robinson Thermal Bath Cabinet, in Toledo, Ohio.

Frank J. Robinson in his youth attended the St. Albans High School and the Corinna Union Academy. His medical studies were inaugurated at the Maine Medical School, Brunswick. They were continued in New York City and at the Long Island College Hospital, from which he was graduated with the class of 1875. Since August 2, 1876, he has been located in Fairfield, where his ability has become recognized and appreciated by a large number of his fellow-townsmen, who have been benefited by his skill; and his practice is both extensive and lucrative. Mindful of the constant progress of medical science, Dr. Robinson pursued a post-graduate course in the winter of 1890 and another in the spring of 1897.

He contracted his first marriage on November 21, 1878, with Louisa J. Hall, of Fairfield, daughter of Randall R. and Mary A. (Sawtelle) Hall. Her father, who was a lumberman, died in 1888; and her mother died in 1889. Dr. Robinson's first wife died May 7,

1892; and on June 4, 1896, he married for his second wife Mrs. Elizabeth Bartlett, born Cayford, widow of Otis Bartlett, late of North Attleboro, Mass. Mrs. Robinson is a daughter of Napoleon Cayford, formerly of this town and now of Oakland, Me. Her mother, who was before marriage a Miss Hunnewell, of Solon, Me., is no longer living.

Dr. Robinson is a Republican in politics. From 1888 to 1896 he served upon the local Board of Health. He is a member of several medical bodies, including the Maine Medical Association; the Academy of Medical Science, Portland; the Waterville Chemical Society; and the American Medical Society. He contributes to various medical journals. He has been a member of Fairfield Lodge, No. 68, I. O. O. F., since 1876. Dr. and Mrs. Robinson attend the Universalist church.

CHARLES S. HASSELL, second Selectman of Sebec, Me., was born in this town, October 28, 1869, a son of Jason and Martha E. (McClure) Hassell. His paternal grandparents were Jason, Sr., and Mary (Boynton) Hassell, natives of New Hampshire.

Jason Hassell, Sr., who was born in the town of Merrimac, N.H., settled on new land in Sebec about 1811 or 1812, building a log cabin for a home. Here he spent the rest of his life, keeping pace with the progress of the growing town. An active and influential citizen, he served on the Board of Selectmen, and filled other offices; and much of the town

business was intrusted to him. He was popularly known as Squire Hassell. In politics he was a Whig, in religious belief a Congregationalist. He died in 1841, and his wife died in 1867. Five of their children attained maturity; namely, Eliza, Francis B., Jason, Mary, and Almira A.

Jason Hassell, the younger, father of Charles S. Hassell, was born in Sebec, August 13, 1823, and was educated in the district school. He lived on his father's farm, and managed it until 1858. He then removed to the Captain Joseph Chace farm, on which his son, the subject of this sketch, now resides. He erected the present farm buildings, and made many improvements on the estate. He engaged in general farming and stock trading, managing a large business. To his original farm he added considerably, till it covered over two hundred acres. In politics a Republican, he held all the offices within the gift of the town; and he was in the State legislature in 1861-62 and in the Senate in 1878. He was a Mason, belonging to Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44, of Milo, and was a member of Piscataquis Grange, No. 123, Patrons of Husbandry, of Sebec. He was married January 1, 1847, to Elizabeth Towne, who was born in Sebec, January 26, 1827. She died on January 18, 1857, leaving three children — Francis B., Anna C., and Mary L. Francis B., born December 24, 1847, is now residing in Sebec. He married Miss Emma F. Elliott, and has two children — Jason E. and Carrie B. Anna C., born June 16, 1851, married David P. Hager, of Sebec. She died

July 7, 1896, leaving two children — Helen E. and Grace L. Mary L. also lives in this town. She is the wife of Frank C. Chase, and has five children — Wilbur H., Martha L., Ina May, Owen A., and Stanley J. Martha E. McClure, the Hon. Jason Hassell's second wife, whom he married on November 2, 1862, was born in this town, February 2, 1826, being a daughter of James N. and Susan (Kenney) McClure. James McClure, who was born in Acworth, N.H., settled on new land in Sebec in 1817. A carpenter by trade, he was also a good farmer. He died on the homestead in 1855, aged seventy-four years. Mr. McClure was a Democrat. His wife, a native of Hollis, N.H., died in 1857, aged seventy-four. Both were connected with the Christian church. They had a family of nine children, namely: James, George, Susan, Charles, and Elias — all deceased; Philena, Mary E., Nancy, and Martha E. (mother of the subject of this sketch). Mrs. Martha E. Hassell has been a member of the Christian church since 1850. She has one child living, Charles S. Her husband, the Hon. Jason Hassell, died November 9, 1895.

Charles S. Hassell has succeeded his father as manager of the farm, and is prosperously engaged in general farming, stock dealing, and butchering. Energetic and capable, one of the brightest young men of the town, he has shown himself amply qualified to fill the position of second Selectman. He is a prominent Republican, and has recently (in the fall of 1898) been elected Representative to the State legislature. He is a Mason, be-

longing to Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44, of Milo. On religious subjects he holds liberal views.

He married Miss Allie M. Ireland, daughter of Edwin S. and Christina (Glidden) Ireland, of this town. Mr. and Mrs. Hassell have two children — Pauline C. and an infant daughter. Mr. Hassell's mother makes her home with him.

FRANKLIN W. MORGAN, Postmaster of Surry, Hancock County, was born in this town, April 18, 1841. A son of William Morgan, he is a grandson of Benjamin Morgan, from whom Morgan Bay derived its name. The grandfather came here on a sloop from Manchester, Mass., when white men were scarce. With him came his family, and they ate their first dinner after landing on an old rock, which still lies on the beach. Benjamin also brought his cattle, which he made swim ashore. Having taken up a tract of wild land, he converted it into a good farm by persistent labor. There being no roads in the district, he was forced to travel on horseback along trails marked by blazed trees. Yet he saw the town of Surry develop and on a fair way to prosperity before his death, which occurred at the age of eighty-four years. His first dwelling, a log house, was destroyed by fire, and he replaced it by another log structure. He served in the Revolution, as did his father, and he was at one time taken prisoner by the British.

William Morgan, son of Benjamin, born in

Manchester, Mass., was but a boy when he came with his parents to Surry. In his younger days, while assisting in clearing the land, he managed to acquire a fair education, and was subsequently engaged as a minister of the gospel. For many years he preached in various parts of Hancock County, supplying the pulpits of the Methodist churches, a Christian labor in which he was engaged until his death, at the age of forty-four years. He married Mary Staten, of Virginia, whose children by him were: Mary E., now living in Surry; Charles and William E., deceased; Algernon S., who served in the Civil War with the Eighteenth Maine Volunteer Infantry, and was killed in battle; Nathan E., now a resident of Surry; Franklin W., the subject of this sketch; Augusta V., who is now the wife of S. N. Lord, of Surry; Eunice A., who is the wife of E. M. Rich, of Framingham, Mass.; and Caroline W., who married L. B. Gregson, of Framingham, Mass., and has two children — Grace E. and William M.

Leaving school at the age of fifteen, Franklin W. Morgan became a sailor, and afterward for a number of years followed the sea. On the breaking out of the Civil War he enlisted in Company G, Eighteenth Maine Volunteer Infantry, and at Bangor was assigned to the Bucksport company. Having served for twenty-one months with his regiment, he was then transferred to the navy, in which he remained until June 17, 1864. On that day during the engagement at Fort Clifton on the Appomattox River he lost a leg and was conveyed to the hospital at Portsmouth, Va.

Here he spent four months before he was able to come home. For the past fifteen years he has been Postmaster of Surry, having been recently reappointed by President McKinley. A staunch Republican in politics, he cast his first Presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln in 1864. Fraternally, he is an Odd Fellow and a comrade of W. H. H. Rice Post, No. 55, G. A. R., of Ellsworth. Never swerving from the religious faith in which he was reared, he is a faithful member of the Methodist Church of Surry.

CAPTAIN JOSEPH W. SAWYER, late a retired ship-master of Millbridge, Washington County, Me., was born in this town, November 26, 1818, and died January 11, 1898. He was a son of George B. and Mary (Roberts) Sawyer. His paternal grandfather, Josiah Sawyer, came to Millbridge from Portland previous to the Revolutionary War, in which he served, being second in command of a fort at Machiasport. He cleared new land, and followed general farming until his death, which occurred when he was seventy-eight years old. His wife, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Brown, died at the age of about seventy-five years. They had a family of eight children — Josiah, William, George B., John D., Lydia, Sally, James, and Hannah. The parents were Universalists in religion.

George B. Sawyer, father of the subject of this sketch, was a lifelong resident of Millbridge, where he followed the trade of ship-

carpenter besides farming. In politics, originally a Democrat, he became a convert to abolitionism, and joined the Republican party on its formation. In religious belief he was a Universalist. His wife, Mary, who was a native of Cape Elizabeth, became the mother of twelve children; namely, Catharine, Joseph W., William R., Stillman, Emery D., George, Mary A., Josiah, Frank, David, Mary Ann, and Phœbe. Of these children, Catharine, Mary Ann, and Phœbe are now the only survivors. The father died at the age of sixty-four years. The mother lived to the venerable age of ninety-one years. She was a Methodist in religion.

Joseph W. Sawyer acquired his elementary education in the common schools. At the age of fourteen he went to sea as cook of a coasting-vessel. Ambitious and quick to learn, he rose gradually to the position of master mariner, at the age of twenty years taking command of the schooner "Liberty." After following the sea as a ship captain for seventeen years, during which time he commanded some of the best barks afloat, he decided to engage in business ashore, and in 1861 became associated with his brother in ship-building at Millbridge. Together they constructed sixty-five vessels of various kinds, having an aggregate of more tonnage than that floated by any other ship-building firm in this town; and they gave employment to a large number of men. Subsequently retiring, Captain Sawyer was succeeded in business by his sons. His death occurred, as above mentioned, January 11, 1898. Politically, he

was a Democrat of the Jeffersonian type. He served the town of Millbridge as Selectman, Assessor, and Treasurer; and in 1861 he ably represented his district in the State legislature. As a business man he achieved success by close application to the work in hand, personally supervising every detail. His religious opinions led him to attend the Universalist church.

Captain Sawyer was married October 6, 1844, to Mary Jane Wallace, who was born in Millbridge, November 26, 1822. Of this union were born nine children, namely: Matilda J.; Warren; Janette; Augustus, who died in 1856; Emma G., who died in 1882; Martina N., who died in 1877; Arthur; Elmer E.; and Alonzo. Mrs. Sawyer died January 7, 1883.

HENRY J. MILLIKEN, a prominent and prosperous farmer and lumber dealer of Surry, Hancock County, son of James Milliken, was born here, November 17, 1830. His paternal grandfather, Joseph Milliken, born and bred in England, was a loyalist. After Joseph emigrated to New England, he settled in Surry, where he lived to a good old age.

James Milliken was born in that portion of Ellsworth, Me., that is now included within the limits of Surry. When a young man he bought wild land two miles north of the village, at the little hamlet called North Bend. This he converted into an excellent farm, which has since passed out of the family.

His death occurred when he was fifty-seven years old. He married Nancy Jarvis, a descendant of a pioneer family. They became the parents of ten children, of whom Philip J., Horatio, Sarah, and Jane H. are deceased. The others are: James A., a resident of Surry; Ann; Elizabeth; Emeline P.; Henry J.; and Martin V. B.

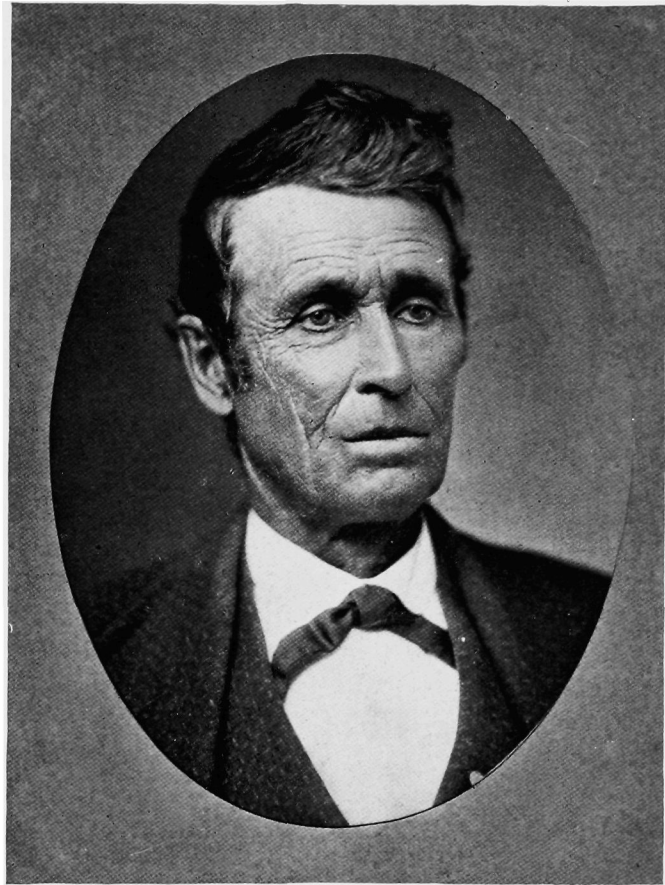
Henry J. Milliken received a practical education in the common schools of Surry. In 1849, at the age of nineteen, he went with the gold-seekers to California on the bark "Glencoe," of Ellsworth, by the way of Cape Horn. He remained five years in that State, meeting with a fair success in mining for gold. In 1854 he returned to Surry, where he opened a store, and for five years was engaged in the sale of general merchandise. During the ensuing ten years he carried on a substantial trade along the coast of Maine, Massachusetts, and New York as captain of his own vessels. He gave up his commercial pursuits some time ago, and has since devoted his time to farming and lumbering on the old Jarvis homestead in Surry, which he now owns. Since his first journey to California he has made two overland trips to that State, without making an extended stay there either time. A man of intelligence and good judgment, he has often been called upon to serve his fellow-townsmen in offices of trust and responsibility, and has always performed the duties devolving upon him to the satisfaction of his constituents. He has been Selectman and a Superintending School Committee; Town Clerk for thirteen successive years; and he is

now a member of the Board of Health. He has also been a Representative to the State legislature and for twenty-five years a Justice of the Peace. In 1852 he cast his first Presidential vote for General Winfield Scott, and is now a loyal Republican. He is a generous contributor toward the support of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is an active member.

Mr. Milliken first married Miss Estella Holt, who died in 1882, leaving two children — Lizzie E. and Willie. The latter died in infancy. Lizzie E. married Edward Gallison, of New York, and has one child, James W. A second marriage united Mr. Milliken with Mrs. Almira A. Allen Eldredge, a daughter of the late Captain Daniel Allen and the widow of the late Edgar E. Eldredge.

FIRAM M. WAUGH, a practical and progressive farmer of the town of Starks, Me., was born October 19, 1839, at the Waugh homestead, where he has since resided. He is a son of the late Judge James G. Waugh and a great-grandson of James Waugh, Sr., who was a pioneer on the banks of Sandy River. Colonel James Waugh, Jr., father of James G. Waugh, is said to have been the first male child born of English parents in this vicinity. He took up land in Starks, and, partly clearing the farm, resided here until his death.

James G. Waugh was reared and educated in his native town, but went to Waterville when a young man to learn the blacksmith's



JAMES G. WAUGH.

trade, which he subsequently followed in connection with tilling the soil on the home farm. He was very prominent in town and county matters, serving in all local offices, also as County Commissioner and Judge of Probate, and from April, 1871, till July 30, 1879, as Collector of Customs. He was a strong Republican from the time of the organization of the party, and was one of the most active and earnest members of the Methodist Episcopal church, his hospitable home being the Mecca for all ministers of that denomination. He was an invalid for some years prior to his death, April 16, 1889, but bore his sufferings with cheerful patience and Christian fortitude. He married Miss Olive Waugh, and they reared five children; namely, Mary, Hiram M., Annie, James H., and Bertha. Mary, the widow of James Snell, resides in Starks; Annie is the wife of George Greenleaf, a mail carrier in Portland, Me.; James H., a merchant in Portland, was formerly engaged in mercantile pursuits in Farmington, this State; and Bertha lives with her mother in Starks. Mrs. Waugh united with the Methodist Episcopal church many years ago, and in common with her husband worked faithfully for the advancement of that denomination. From the time of her birth, now eighty years since, she has made her home in Starks.

Hiram M. Waugh was the eldest son of the parental household, and always remained at home, assisting in the farm labors. As his father's health became impaired, much of the responsibility fell upon his shoulders; and he at length assumed the entire management of

the homestead property, which has since become his own. He has one hundred and sixty-five acres in this estate, and he also possesses another farm of equal size in Starks. In the prosecution of his chosen calling he has been uniformly successful, prosperity smiling upon him from the outset, as it usually does upon the industrious, capable, and energetic. He carries on general farming and stock-raising, and has a small dairy.

In politics he affiliates with the Republican party, having never swerved from the principles to which he was reared, but has never held any public office excepting that of Deputy Sheriff, which he is now filling. He is a member of Euclid Lodge, F. & A. M., No. 194, of Madison; and also of the local grange at Starks village.

Mr. Waugh was first married October 20, 1863, to Miss Deborah E., a daughter of the late Levi and Deborah (Felker) Sawyer. Her father was a skilled carpenter and a prosperous farmer of Starks for many years. Mrs. Deborah E. Waugh died May 7, 1880, having borne her husband two children, namely: Minnie F., who formerly taught school in Somerset County, and is now a teacher in Brockton, Mass.; and Clifford M., who died in childhood. On March 6, 1886, Mr. Waugh was united in marriage with Miss Jennie E. Greenleaf, who was born at Starks, June 21, 1853. She is a daughter of the late Stephen D. Greenleaf. Her mother still occupies the old Greenleaf homestead.

The following notice of Mrs. Waugh's father is taken from the *Lewiston Journal*:

"The Hon. Stephen D. Greenleaf, one of Starks's oldest citizens, died at his home on the 22d of January, 1895, after a long and severe illness. He was seventy-seven years of age, and leaves a widow and a large family of grown-up sons and daughters. He was the eldest son of Anthony Greenleaf and grandson of John Greenleaf, a Revolutionary soldier, who, with three brothers and four sisters, came here from Wiscasset in 1783, and settled on the Sandy River. He was married on the twenty-second day of December, 1842, to Miss Amy G. Collins, daughter of John and Dorcas Collins, of this town.

"In addition to his original large and productive farm he purchased several adjoining ones, and made vast improvements upon them, so that at one time he refused an offer of fifteen thousand dollars for his real estate in this town. Before the war he was extensively engaged in the sale and construction of lightning rods, and he had erected rods upon thousands of buildings. During the war of the Rebellion he was influential in raising recruits in Somerset and Franklin Counties. In 1877 and 1878, when the Greenback party began to show some signs of shaping itself in this State, Mr. Greenleaf at once championed its cause. He was elected County Commissioner of Somerset County on the Greenback ticket in 1878, and later was placed in nomination by that same party for Governor, but declined to run. His home was one of plenty and hospitality, and no one was allowed to depart from his domain hungry. He will be greatly missed, but his many kind

and generous deeds will live and be ever remembered."

The Farmington *Chronicle* spoke of Mr. Greenleaf as a "highly respected citizen, one that the town could ill afford to lose. The funeral took place Thursday at his home, and was conducted by the Rev. R. S. Leard, of New Sharon. Franklin Lodge, No. 123, F. & A. M., of which Mr. Greenleaf was a worthy member, was present, and performed the impressive burial service of the order."

PHINEAS H. LONGFELLOW, of Machias, Washington County, Clerk of all the Judicial Courts of the county, son of Cephas and Mary (Noyes) Longfellow, was born here on February 24, 1841. His first ancestor in this country was William Longfellow, of Newbury, Mass., who came from England. William had a son, Nathan, who moved to New Hampshire. Nathan's son, Jonathan, removed from Nottingham, N.H., to Nova Scotia, from which place he came to Machias in 1765. Jonathan's son, Nathan, married Margaret Bigelow. Their daughter, Margaret Longfellow, was the paternal grandmother of Phineas H. Longfellow. William Longfellow had also a son Stephen, whose son, William, was the father of Nathan, who came to Machias from Newbury, Mass., in 1767. Nathan's son, Jonathan Longfellow, married the Margaret Longfellow above referred to, and thereby became the grandfather of Phineas H. Longfellow.

Cephas Longfellow, son of Jonathan and

Margaret Longfellow, born in Machias, July 17, 1801, died in 1895. He was educated in the town schools, and during his early life was interested in the manufacture of lumber. About the year 1856 he retired from active business. Although much interested in public affairs and a man to whom the public welfare was sacred, he never cared to hold office, and was never a candidate for political preferment. His wife, Mary, a member of the Congregational church, was a daughter of William Noyes, who, born in Newburyport, Mass., came to Machias when a young man, and lived here during the rest of his life. Cephas and Mary Longfellow were the parents of four children, namely: Clark, who resides in New York City; Margaret B.; Mary H.; and Phineas H.

Phineas H. Longfellow attended the district schools and subsequently Washington Academy at East Machias. From the time he was twelve years old until he was twenty-two he was employed in the drug store of his brother Clark. On November 1, 1864, he was appointed Clerk of Washington County Court. This office he has since held by election down to the present time, a longer period of service than can be claimed by any other court clerk in the State.

Mr. Longfellow is one of the trustees of the Machias Savings Bank and the president of the Machias Bank, the proprietors of which are a private corporation. He also represents six fire insurance companies. By his marriage with Ella J., daughter of Joseph Wheeler, of Belfast, Me., he has three chil-

dren — Austin H., Ella J., and Bertha. Austin H. is a practising physician in Providence, R.I.

JOHN PRESCOTT, a prosperous lumber manufacturer, senior member of the firm of Prescott & Gillespie, of Calais, Me., was born on February 23, 1831, in Pennfield, Charlotte County, N.B. His parents were Jesse and Sarah (Knight) Prescott. His father was born in Mount Vernon, Kennebec County, Me., and, judging from his name, belonged to an old New England family.

Settling in Pennfield, N.B., early in life, Jesse Prescott was there engaged in farming for many years. He lived to be over ninety-five years old, and retained much of his strength and activity until the last. His wife was a daughter of Joshua Knight, of Philadelphia, a loyalist, we are told, who removed to Pennfield, N.B., after the close of the Revolutionary War. Jesse Prescott was the father of eight children; namely, Gideon, Catherine, Joshua, Moses, George, John, Isaac, and Jesse. Three of these — Gideon, George, and Isaac, twin brother of Jesse — are no longer living. Catherine is the wife of Tobias Mealey, of Monticello, Minn. Moses Prescott is a resident of Eastport, Me., and Joshua of Sussex, N.B. Gideon was a member of the lumber firm of Prescott & Lawrence, of New River, N.B., a firm which during the time he was connected with it turned out about eight million feet per annum. Joshua is interested in an extensive lumber business at Goose Creek, St. John County, N.B. George died

in California, where at the time he was engaged in mining. Jesse is a farmer in Pennfield, Charlotte County, N.B.

John Prescott in his boyhood attended school in Pennfield, and engaged when a young man in the lumber manufacturing business with his brother Moses. They first bought a saw-mill, which they carried on for a time, later transferring their interests to Goose Creek, N.B., where they conducted business for twelve years. They then purchased mills in Nova Scotia, and continued in partnership until the retirement of Moses Prescott in 1892, since which time the firm has been known as Prescott & Gillespie. This concern, which is still operating in Nova Scotia, manufactures about five million feet annually, its principal market being England. It owns several vessels, and employs from sixty to seventy men.

Mr. Prescott married in 1861 Sarah G. Dinsmore. She died in 1888; and in 1891 Mr. Prescott married Emma Kelley, daughter of Deacon Samuel Kelley, of Calais. Mr. and Mrs. Prescott attend the Baptist church.

JOSEPH W. WOOD, a prominent and respected citizen of Eden, Mount Desert, Hancock County, was born in Ellsworth, Me., October 11, 1825. A son of Thomas J. and Eliza J. (Dutton) Whiting, he belongs to the well-known Whiting family of Ellsworth. His name was legally changed to that of Wood in honor of his uncle, Joseph A. Wood, a prominent lawyer. Thomas J. Whit-

ing was the captain of the first United States revenue cutter in these waters, and the Sheriff of Hancock County, and keeper of the jail when it was located at Castine. He died in the last-named town, aged thirty-seven years. Eliza J. Whiting, his wife, was a daughter of Jesse Dutton. A further account of the Whiting family will be found in the biography of Samuel K. Whiting.

After his father's death Joseph W. Wood, being then eight years of age, accompanied his mother to Ellsworth, where he resided for the next six years and attended school. Then he went to Boston, and there served an apprenticeship of seven years at the printer's trade. A year after his time had expired he returned to Castine to enter the employ of William and J. H. Jarvis, with whom he remained one year. For the succeeding three years he was with his brothers, the Whitings, in Ellsworth. After that he formed a partnership with Nathan A. Joy, under the firm name of Wood & Co., for the purpose of carrying on a general mercantile business. The association existed for six years, at the expiration of which time his partner withdrew, leaving the concern about thirteen thousand dollars in debt. Having assumed this liability, he cleared away every obligation within the short period of three months. After the Civil War he moved from Ellsworth to Salisbury Cove. Here he had carried on business for thirty years, when he retired two years ago. In 1896 he entered a partnership with his son-in-law, H. S. McFarland, forming the firm H. S. McFarland & Co., which now has a

thriving business at Hall's Cove. Generally successful throughout his life, he owns valuable real estate in different parts of the island.

Mr. Wood married Lorinda H. Harden, a daughter of Captain Eben Harden, of Trenton, Me. He has four children; namely, Francis A., Andrew J., Rebecca H., and Eliza W. Francis A. married Melissa J. Rich, a daughter of Captain John Rich, of Mount Desert, and has one son, Joseph W. Wood. Andrew J., who married Emma Collins, and resides at Salisbury Cove, has four children — Olin D., Mary F., Helen W., and Lora. Rebecca H. is the wife of Robert D. Edmunds, a native of Georgia, resides at Bangor, Me., and has one son, Dean W. Edmunds. Eliza W. married Harry S. McFarland. While residing in Ellsworth, Mr. Wood served as a member of the Board of Selectmen for three years, and was also Town Treasurer. He is a member of the Masonic order, and belongs to the Blue Lodge in Somerville. In politics he is a Republican, and his first Presidential vote was cast for General Fremont.

CHARLES HARRISON NEWTON was for many years one of the foremost business men of Calais, Washington County. Born in Templeton, Mass., August 5, 1830, he was a son of Horace and Abigail (Burrage) Newton. The father, a native of Hubbardston, Mass., spent the greater part of his life in Fitchburg, where he carried on a hardware business for many years, and was also interested in an iron foundry. He

was prominently identified with the town government, serving as Selectman, Deputy Sheriff, Justice of the Peace, and Trial Justice, the duties of which last-named office he performed until his death. In politics he was a Whig. His wife, Abigail, who was a native of Templeton, became the mother of several children, three of whom lived to maturity, namely: Frederick, who is no longer living; Abby, now a resident of Worcester, Mass., the widow of Aaron K. Litch, late of Fitchburg; and Charles H., the subject of this sketch. The father was a Unitarian and the mother a Congregationalist in religion.

Charles Harrison Newton acquired a public-school education. After clerking in Fitchburg in a store for a year, he went to Boston, where he obtained employment in the same capacity. Some time later he took a position as clerk and book-keeper in Portland, Me., but soon after returned to his former employers in Boston. The firm for which he worked being obliged to take a plaster mine in Calais as payment for a debt, Mr. Newton, in company with Henry A. Willis, George R. Tarbox (now deceased), and a member of the firm, made a survey of the property at Red Beach. They were so favorably impressed with what they saw then, that they purchased the estate, and started in business under the firm name of George R. Tarbox & Co. At that time prices were high with a strong demand, a fact that warranted the starting up of business upon an extensive scale. A misrepresentation in regard to the water-power, however, proved a serious detriment to their

plans. In 1858 the Red Beach Plaster Company was organized, with Mr. Newton as manager. He was later appointed the treasurer, and made the president of the company in 1878, which position he held until his death. His executive ability and sound judgment were instrumental in building up the business to its present magnitude. The firm turns out one hundred thousand barrels of plaster annually, requiring a force of seventy-five men to handle. The discovery of red granite upon the property at a time when that kind of stone was becoming popular caused them to develop the quarry, and in 1875 the Maine Red Granite Company was organized, with Mr. Newton the treasurer. This concern is producing stone of a superior quality, which is extensively used for columns, wainscoting, etc. They have the best equipped polishing plant in New England. Recently they filled a contract for the new wing of the Metropolitan Museum in New York City. Mr. Newton was also a director of the Calais National Bank for eighteen years, and he was elected the president of that institution about two years ago.

For about ten years in all Mr. Newton served in both branches of the city government of that institution. In 1888 he was elected to the State legislature. During the two years he spent there he was the chairman of the House Committee on Finances. His death, which occurred December 2, 1897, was deeply regretted by the entire community as the loss of an honorable, enterprising, and public-spirited citizen. By his marriage with

Miss Elizabeth S. Lee, daughter of Joseph A. Lee, of this city, he had three children—Mary L., Helen L., and George E. Newton—all of whom survive him. George E. is a graduate of Amherst College, class of 1897. Mr. Newton was a member of the St. Croix Club. He attended and helped to support the Congregational church. Mrs. Newton and her family also attend the same church.

GEORGE A. HALL, one of the most successful business men of Houlton, Aroostook County, is an extensive dealer in horses, harnesses, vehicles of all kinds, agricultural implements, and real estate. He was born February 7, 1856, in Winterport, Waldo County, of which place his grandfather Hall was a pioneer farmer. His father, Eben E. Hall, born and reared in Winterport, removed in 1864 to Chester, Me., where he continued his farming operations. To Eben and his wife, whose maiden name was Emily H. Weed, a large family of children were born.

George A. Hall attended the public schools of Chester for a few terms only, and had but little opportunity afterward to improve his education. Until he was twenty-six years old he worked on the home farm, receiving but little recompense for his services beyond his board and clothes. Then, boldly starting out for himself, he opened a wholesale and retail meat market in Lincoln, Me., which at the end of six months he sold out at a profit. Going thence to Littleton, Aroostook County, he established a retail meat and grocery busi-



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ness, which he conducted for nine years. Afterward he was in the wholesale trade for two years. His persistent energy and good judgment were rewarded with unusual success, and he acquired a large property. After disposing of his interests in Littleton for forty-five hundred dollars, he came to Houlton and invested a portion of the money in horses and vehicles. Since then he has built up a profitable trade at his repository on North Street, where he has plenty of storage room. Among the agricultural implements that he handles are some of the best in use, including the original Buckeye Mower, manufactured by Aultman, Miller & Co., of Akron, Ohio, the Little Giant Threshing Machine, and the New York Champion Horse Rake. He handles the threshing machines in partnership with a Mr. Ingraham, having a large trade. Since coming to Houlton he has bought real estate freely, improved and built upon some of it, and made large profits. In 1892 he built his present residence, one of the seven dwellings erected by him at "The Highlands." This beautiful addition to the city, formerly a farm, was purchased by a syndicate comprising Mr. Hall and three other men, divided into lots, and put on sale. Roads were cut through; and the principal thoroughfare, at his suggestion, was called Highland Avenue. This venture, like all in which he has been interested, proved successful beyond expectation, and has greatly added to his bank account.

Mr. Hall uses his own methods in book-keeping, keeping a most accurate account of

all money that passes through his hands, be it used in business or for personal or household expenses, and so that he can tell almost exactly his expenses, profits, and losses, at a minute's notice. While living in Littleton he served as Selectman for two years, although he never sought office. Fraternally, he is a member of Monument Lodge, No. 78, F. & A. M., and has taken the York Rites and Lodge of Perfection of the Scottish Rites of Masonry. He is also a member of the Eastern Star, a social branch of the Masonic fraternity; and of the A. O. U. W. On January 1, 1883, he was united in marriage with Miss Isa M., daughter of Charles Luce, formerly of Monticello. Mr. and Mrs. Hall have two children — Tessa E. Hall and George A. Hall, Jr.

ELMER E. BROWN, one of the most thrifty and progressive young farmers of Orneville, Piscataquis County, was born in Cambridge, Somerset County, Me., February 28, 1861, son of John and Huldah (Hurd) Brown. His parents were both natives of Maine, the father born in Parkman in 1821, and the mother in Harmony in 1824. Benjamin Brown, the paternal grandfather of Elmer E., was an early settler in Cambridge, where he tilled the soil prosperously for many years. He died in Veazie, Penobscot County, at a good old age. His wife, Jane, died in middle life. Jeremiah Hurd, the maternal grandfather of the subject of this sketch, resided for the greater part of

his life upon a farm in Harmony, in which town he died when about seventy years old. He reared a large family.

John Brown, father of Elmer E., was reared to farm life in Cambridge. In 1864 he removed to Orneville, and six years later purchased the farm upon which his son now resides. Besides general farming, which he carried on energetically, he dealt largely in firewood. In politics a Republican, he served as Tax Collector during the latter years of his life, which closed October 8, 1892. In his religious opinions he was a Free Will Baptist. His wife, Huldah, who died November 20, 1888, was the mother of seven children, of whom Elmer E. is the only survivor.

Elmer E. Brown received his education in the common schools of Orneville. Since his youth he has been engaged in general farming at the homestead. His property, which is well located, contains about three hundred acres of land, devoted principally to hay and grain, of which commodities he is one of the largest producers in town. Studying agriculture as a science, and availing himself of the most improved machinery, he has met with a large measure of success, and is far advanced on the road to prosperity. Politically, he is a Republican, and has served the town with ability as Collector. He is a member of Mutual Lodge, No. 11, Ancient Order of United Workmen; and of the American Benefit Association.

On May 20, 1882, Mr. Brown married Edith I. Packard, of Medford, Me., a daughter of Lyman and Charlotte (Heath) Packard.

He has three children — Royal W., Bertha D., and Elizabeth M. Mr. and Mrs. Brown and the two eldest children, Royal and Bertha, are members of the Free Will Baptist church.

GENERAL ISAAC DYER, a retired druggist of Skowhegan, Somerset County, an ex-State Senator and a Civil War veteran, was born in Canaan, Me., November 1, 1820. His father owned and cultivated a farm situated in that part of Canaan now included within the limits of Skowhegan, and young Dyer passed his youth in the performance of such minor duties as are generally expected of a farmer's son. After receiving his education in the district schools and at the Bloomfield Academy, he remained at home until the death of his brother William in 1847, when he succeeded to the ownership of the latter's drug store in Skowhegan. This he conducted alone until 1861, when a desire to render his share of service to his country in crushing the Rebellion caused him to admit to partnership George Cushing, with whom he could safely trust his business while absent at the front. He had declined the Lieutenant Colonelcy of the Fourteenth Regiment; but in December, 1861, he accepted an appointment of the same rank in the Fifteenth tendered him by Governor Israel Washburn. The Fifteenth, with several other Maine regiments, accompanied General B. F. Butler's command to the Lower Mississippi. Colonel Dyer assisted in the important military operations of the Gulf Department, including the Red

River expedition under General Banks, and in July, 1864, was ordered to Fortress Monroe. Afterward he served under Sheridan in the Shenandoah Valley, witnessing the exciting scenes that preceded the end of the war, and participating in several memorable engagements. He was promoted to the rank of Colonel in August, 1862, was brevetted Brigadier-general in March, 1865, and was mustered out on September 6 of that year. Upon his return to Skowhegan he resumed his relations with the drug business as a member of the firm Dyer & Cushing. In December, 1880, he sold his interest in the business, and retired to the homestead farm, where he has since resided.

Originally a Whig, General Dyer cast his first vote for Governor Edward Robinson in 1842. He joined the Republican party at its formation. For six years he served as a Selectman, was a member of the School Board for two or three years, and Town Treasurer for one year. He represented the district in the State Senate for two terms, during which he was a member of the Committee on Interior Waters and the chairman of that on Military Affairs. In 1873 he was appointed Inspector-general on Governor Nelson Dingley's staff, and served in that capacity for two years. A Mason of high standing, he belongs to Somerset Lodge, F. & A. M.; Somerset Chapter of Royal Arch Masons; De Molay Commandery, Knights Templar, in which he has held some of the important chairs. He has been Commander of Russell Post, No. 96, G. A. R., and was Department Commander of Maine in

1892. He is a trustee of Bloomfield Academy, and has acted in the same capacity for the Coburn Free Library Fund since its establishment. In June, 1851, he was joined in marriage with Lydia Emery, a daughter of Levi Emery, of Skowhegan. His only son, Albert Forrest Dyer, is a well-known dry-goods merchant in this town. The family attend the Methodist Episcopal church, of which General Dyer is a member, serving it in the capacity of chairman of its Board of Trustees.

CHARLES A. HUNTER, one of the leading residents of Vanceboro, Washington County, and the general superintendent of the International Leather Company's tanneries in this section, was born in Ireland, September 20, 1852, son of James and Nancy (Carnwath) Hunter. His ancestors on each side were Scotch. Both parents, who were natives of Ireland and industrious farming people, died in the old country at the age of sixty years. They reared a family of eight children; namely, Nancy, Robert, James, Martha, Charles A., Margaret, John, and William. William was drowned at the age of thirty.

Charles A. Hunter emigrated to the Province of New Brunswick when eight years old, arriving at St. John in 1860, with only his courage and perseverance to depend upon for support. He found employment in the lumber-mills of St. John, where he resided some eight years, at the same time making good use of his meagre opportunities for obtaining an

education. In 1870 he came to Vanceboro, where he entered the employ of the Shaw Brothers as a laborer in their tannery. Here he gradually worked his way forward through the different departments, becoming familiar with the entire process of leather making. He is now the general superintendent of the various plants operated by the International Leather Company of Boston, the successors of Shaw Brothers, having charge of the tanneries at Vanceboro, Forest City, Brockton, Grand Lake Stream, and Princeton, each of which employs a force of sixty-five men when running to its full capacity. Though the duties of his responsible position are necessarily exacting, he has nevertheless found time to render his share of service in public affairs, having been a member of the Board of Selectmen for two terms, and ably filled the office of Town Treasurer for some years past.

In 1878 Mr. Hunter was united in marriage with Elizabeth K. Kelley, who was born in Scotland in 1854, daughter of William and Jane (McKelvey) Kelley. The former in early life was a seafaring man. William and Jane Kelley, natives of Scotland, arrived in America in 1856, and were the first family to settle permanently in Vanceboro, where they still reside. Their children are: William J., Elizabeth K., Robert J., Samuel D., Edward M., and Laura E. Kelley. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley are members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter have five children, namely: William B., born January 3, 1879; Charles R., born August 19, 1880; Elvie J., born March 22, 1883; James B.,

born March 22, 1887; and Margaret E., born April 21, 1892. Mr. Hunter is connected with the Masonic order, being a member of the Blue Lodge at Danforth and of the chapter and commandery at Calais. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Bangor and of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, of Vanceboro; and he is a charter member of the Knights of Pythias of this town.

CHARLES ALBERT HOLDEN, a well-known travelling salesman residing in Sedgwick, Hancock County, was born in Portland, Me., February 1, 1857, son of George H. and Harriet M. (Currier) Holden. His paternal great-grandparents were William and Jane (Crosby) Holden, the former of whom was a native of Dorchester, Mass., and an early settler in Portland. The grandfather, the Hon. Charles Holden, a native of the Forest City, Me., for a number of years was prominently identified with the press of this State as the editor and proprietor of the *Eastern Argus*. He was a member of the legislature during the Civil War, was also in the State Senate, served in the Executive Council for several terms, and at one time was Acting Governor. A lifelong resident of Portland, he gained the sincere respect of his fellow-citizens by his public spirit and active interest in the city's institutions; and his death was the cause of general regret. He married Elizabeth G. Sampson, of Boston.

George H. Holden, the father, was born in

Portland. In his earlier years he was a printer in the *Argus* office. Later he retired from active work, but engaged in occasional financial transactions. His last days were spent in Sedgwick, and he died here at the age of fifty-eight years. Harriet M. Currier Holden, his wife, was a daughter of Thomas and Maria B. (Jordan) Currier, of Sedgwick. Her grandfather was Richard Currier, a native of Newburyport, Mass., who came to Sedgwick in the early days of its settlement, bought a tract of improved land there, and cultivated it throughout the rest of his life. He married Abigail Eaton, a daughter of the Rev. Ebenezer Eaton, who was a native of Maine, one of the first Congregational ministers in this section and an extensive landowner in this part of the county. Eben E. Currier, Harriet M. Holden's uncle, succeeded to the Richard Currier farm, which was later purchased by George H. Holden. She became the mother of six children, of whom the only survivor is Charles A., the subject of this sketch. The others were: Henry Sampson, Elizabeth Godfrey, Jane Crosby, Richard Currier, and William Holden.

Charles Albert Holden was educated in the public schools of Portland. After completing his studies he acted as his father's clerk for a time. For the past nineteen years he has been a travelling salesman for a Portland mercantile house, being favorably known among merchants throughout the State. He resides with his mother at Reach View, a portion of the old Currier property, which he has improved into a handsome country estate. He

married Harriet Libby Towle, a daughter of David Towle, of Portland. She died in 1887, leaving three children — Elizabeth S., Charles, and Alice C. Holden. Charles died at the age of six years. Mr. Holden is a member of Unity Lodge, No. 3; and of Portland Encampment, No. 19, I. O. O. F.; and a charter member of Portland Lodge, No. 188, Benevolent Order of Elks.

LORENZO G. DOW, who owns and cultivates one of the best farms in East Dover, Piscataquis County, Me., was born where he now resides, August 15, 1828, son of Benjamin and Sybil (Towne) Dow. His paternal grandparents were Lyford and Eunice Dow, who came from New Hampshire as early as 1804, and were among the first settlers of East Dover. Lyford Dow was an industrious farmer, and improved from the wilderness a good farm, which he carried on energetically for the rest of his life. He died in 1840, and his wife lived to an advanced age.

Benjamin Dow, father of Lorenzo G., was born in Sanbornton, N.H., in 1796. He grew to manhood in East Dover, and became a prosperous farmer and an able business man. He served as Tax Collector in the days when the State tax was payable in money, while the town and school tax was paid in grain. He was a Captain in the State militia. He died March 6, 1873, leaving a good estate. In politics he was a Democrat. Sybil Towne, his wife, is said to have been the first white child

born in East Dover, where her birth took place in 1805. She became the mother of eight children, namely: Lorenzo G., the subject of this sketch; Mrs. Lucretia Gould, of Dover; Benjamin, who died at the age of sixty-one years; Zebulon Dow, of Sebec, Me.; Maria Mayhew, who resides in East Dover; Increase K. Dow, of this town; Charlotte and Gilman, who died in infancy. Mrs. Sybil T. Dow died March 25, 1896, aged ninety one years and seven days.

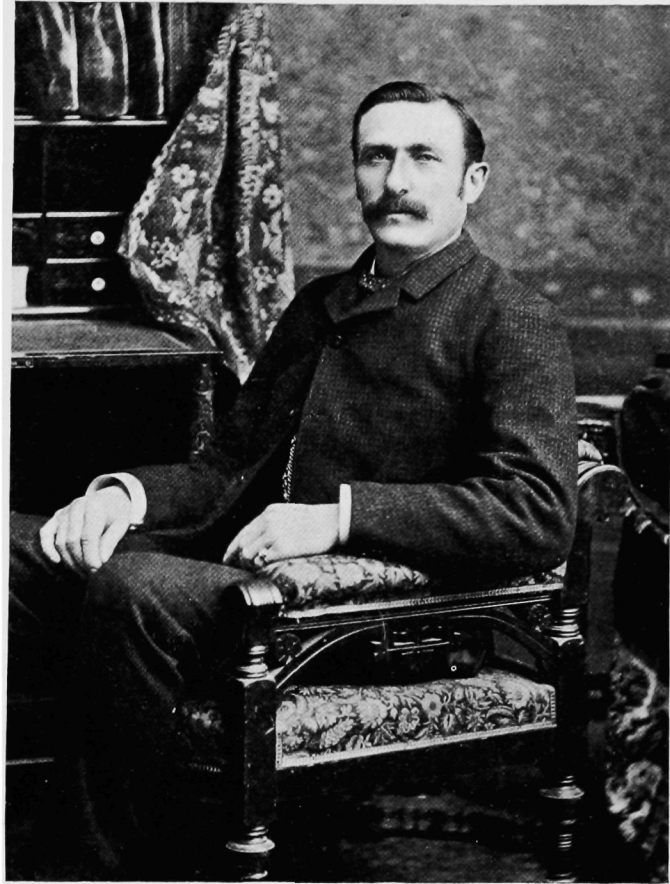
Lorenzo G. Dow was reared upon the farm he now occupies, and since leaving school has been engaged in its cultivation. He owns two hundred and seven acres of land, which is desirably located; and, as he believes in raising every useful product that can be grown successfully in this climate, he harvests annually excellent crops. He has made various improvements in the property since taking charge of it, and the fine set of substantial buildings give evidence of the industry and thrift which is characteristic of their owner. Politically, he supports the Democratic party.

In 1856 Mr. Dow was united in marriage with Maria Haskell, daughter of Eliphalet and Janet (True) Haskell. She was born in Guilford, Me., January 4, 1830. Her father was a native of New Gloucester, Me.; and her mother was born in North Yarmouth. Mr. and Mrs. Dow are the parents of five children, namely: Frank L., a prosperous farmer of Sebec; Nellie A., who married Lewis J. Blood, and lives in Avon, Mont.; John P., who married Hattie M. Hall and carries on a farm in Atkinson, Me.; George B., who is

unmarried and lives at the parental home; and Lewis H. Dow, a resident of Montana. Mr. and Mrs. Blood have had three children: Ira Lewis; Edward L.; and Lewella C., who is no longer living. Mrs. Lorenzo G. Dow attends the Baptist church.

CAPTAIN JUDSON TORREY, a retired ship-master of Deer Isle, Hancock County, son of Daniel S. and Abigail (Eaton) Torrey, was born here, December 25, 1842. Daniel Torrey, the grandfather, who was also a native of the island and a sailor, owned a farm located on the eastern shore, which property is still owned by the family. In 1803 he was married to Lydia Haskell, a sister of David Haskell, by Joseph Tyler, Justice of the Peace.

Daniel S. Torrey, likewise a native of Deer Isle, who became a master mariner, spent the greater part of his active period in commanding his own vessels in the coastwise trade. He died at the age of sixty-seven years. Abigail, his wife, born in Deer Isle, was a daughter of William Eaton and a descendant of the first settler on the island. She became the mother of seven children; namely, Fred A., Judson, Adelia, Medora, Mary E., Lunette, and D. Wellington Torrey. Fred A. Torrey, who was a sea captain, died on shipboard while making the voyage from Mobile to New York in 1866. Adelia is no longer living. Medora married Samuel Pickering, and has one son, Emery Pickering. Lunette, who is the wife of John Bor-



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den and resides in California, has one son, Fred A. Borden. Mary E. married Benjamin C. Smith, of Deer Isle, and has two children — Clyde and Allen Smith. D. Wellington married Lizzie Barbour, who has two children — Anita and Helen. Mrs. Abigail Torrey died July 12, 1898, aged eighty-one years.

Judson Torrey attended the district school, and studied navigation in Boston. At the age of ten years he began to follow the sea, and was afterward engaged in seafaring, excepting the time devoted to study in Boston, for thirty-seven years. He received the command of his first vessel at the age of twenty. As a ship-master he was engaged mostly in the foreign trade, making six trips across the Atlantic and two up the Mediterranean. His voyages were profitable, both to himself and his owners. A memorable incident of his career was his rescue of the crew of the bark "Hazard," eleven in number, who had been shipwrecked in a gale on the Atlantic. For this deed he received in February, 1870, through King Carl XV., representing the governments of Sweden and Norway, a gold medal valued at five hundred dollars. Retiring from the sea in 1889, he settled at Northwest Harbor, where he had erected a fine residence in 1877.

Captain Torrey married Sarah E. Pickering, a daughter of Timothy Pickering and a descendant of one of Deer Isle's pioneer settlers. Mrs. Torrey is the mother of three sons — Fred A., Elvin J., and Guy E. Torrey. Fred A., who married Lillian Staples, and resides in Stonington, has one son, Norman.

Elvin J. Torrey is the president of a trust and safe deposit company in Fitchburg, Mass. The Captain is a Democrat in politics, and has ably fulfilled the duties of Town Treasurer for five years. He is favorably known in shipping circles, and belongs to the Masonic order.

MON. CHARLES AUGUSTUS McCULLOUGH, United States Consul at St. Stephens, N.B., and a member of the firm McCullough & Tait, iron and brass founders of Calais, Washington County, was born in Calais, March 22, 1849, son of William and Eliza (White) McCullough. The paternal grandfather, who was probably a native of County Down, Ireland, emigrated to the Province of New Brunswick, and engaged in farming.

William McCullough, who was born in St. Stephens in 1827, came to Calais when quite young. After learning the shoemaker's trade, he followed it as a journeyman until he became the foreman of Sawyer & Robbins's factory. Later he purchased the business of that firm, and carried it on successfully for the rest of his life. Though he served for one or two terms in the City Council, he had no political aspirations, preferring to devote what leisure time he could spare from his business to other interests, particularly to those of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which he was a member and which he served as a teacher in its Sunday-school. A Master Mason, he belonged to St. Croix Lodge. Eliza, his wife,

who was a native of St. John, N.B., became the mother of eight children, namely: Charles A., the subject of this sketch; Thomas, now Tax Collector of Calais; Helen E., the wife of Thomas R. Mitchell, of St. Stephens; Lemuel, who resides in Somerville, Mass.; William F., a resident of Calais; Annie, the wife of Ernest G. Young, of this city; Frederick, who is no longer living; and Mary, who is also married.

Having obtained his education in the common schools and at the Calais Academy, Charles Augustus McCullough was employed as a store clerk for two years. He then served an apprenticeship at the iron and brass founder's trade, and afterward followed it for several years, for some of the time in the capacity of foreman. After the burning of the foundry in which he was employed, he formed a partnership with Moses Tait, under the firm name of McCullough & Tait, which has since carried on an extensive iron and brass business, now constituting one of the important industries of the city. Mr. McCullough was an incorporator of and is interested in the Calais Savings Bank, and is also interested in other local institutions. As a Republican he served for five years in the Board of Aldermen. He was Mayor during the years 1889, 1890, and 1891, at the end of which period he declined a fourth nomination. Under his administration many public improvements were conceived and commenced, including the construction of macadamized roads, concrete sidewalks, and an entirely new sewer system. In 1892 he represented the Fourth District at the

National Republican Convention held in Minneapolis, Minn. As Representative to the legislature during the sessions of 1893 and 1895 he served in the Committees on Railroads, Telegraph and Express, and Highways and Bridges, being the chairman of the last named during his second term; and in the last session of the Senate he served in the first-named committee and in that on Claims. He was recently appointed United States Consul at St. Stephens.

Mr. McCullough married Emma E. Leighton, daughter of Almon Leighton, of this city. They have three children living, namely: Mary Helen, the wife of Scott P. Bradish, of Eastport, Me.; Emma; and Sadie McCullough. Mr. McCullough is a Past Master of St. Croix Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he is now Treasurer; and he is serving in the same capacity St. Croix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and Hugh de Payens Commandery, Knights Templar. He is also connected with Delta Lodge of Perfection, at Machias, and with Fellowship Lodge, I. O. O. F., of this city.

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AUGUSTUS N. OSGOOD, a highly esteemed resident of Blue Hill, Hancock County, son of Isaac S. and Lois (Stover) Osgood, was born in this town, December 7, 1826. The grandfather, Phineas Osgood, who, it is thought, was born in Andover, Mass., came from that town to Blue Hill, where he settled on a tract of uncultivated land some one hundred acres in extent, cleared a large part of it, and built a frame

house. He died at the age of eighty years. His wife, Mary Smith Osgood, was a native of Sedgwick, Me.

Isaac S. Osgood, born in Blue Hill, was by occupation a farmer. Public-spirited and a man of ability and character, he was chosen to fill many positions of responsibility. During twenty-five years, as Selectman of the town and the chairman of the board, he exercised a controlling hand in town affairs. He also served as County Commissioner and Deputy Collector of Customs at Castine. In early life he taught school for some time. Constantly residing at Blue Hill, he took much interest in his farm, which he enlarged and improved in many ways. At his death in 1877 he was eighty-three years of age. His wife, Lois, who was the daughter of Jeremiah Stover, reared eight children — Mary, Mehitable, Augustus N., Abbie, Luther and Ellen (twins), Rufus, and Fanny. Mary, who resides at Blue Hill, is the widow of the late Herbert Smith. Her first husband was George Allen. She has no family. Mehitable, now deceased, was successively married to Amos Varnum and Inglison MacIntire, and had three children: Clara by the first husband; and Edward and Harvey by the second. Abbie, who resides in Iowa, is the wife of David B. Lufkin and the mother of Charles, Mabel, Edwin, Earnest, and Cora Lufkin. Luther, who married Sarah Hinckley, of Blue Hill, lives in California, and has a daughter, Blanche. Ellen, who is deceased, married William Atherton, a resident of California, and bore him four children — George, Hattie, Clarence,

and Carrie. Rufus, deceased, who resided in California, married Carrie Jarvis, of Surry, who has four sons by him — Fred, Edward, Howard, and Willie. Fanny, whose home is also in California, married Joseph Angelotti, and has two children — Frank and Emma.

Augustus N. Osgood was still very young when he was obliged to leave the district school and become self-supporting. Afterward he assisted his father on the farm, and worked in the woods until he reached his majority. Then for the next fifteen years he worked at ship-carpentering, at the same time making Blue Hill his home. At the end of that period he settled permanently on the farm to take care of his aged parents, and subsequently succeeded to the property. By his marriage with Augusta L., daughter of Joseph and Phœbe (Hinckley) Osgood, he has become the father of five children — George, Florence, Newton, Eugene, and Ernest. George married Emily (Eaton) Dority, of Sedgwick. Florence married George Morse, resides in Blue Hill, and is the mother of Isabelle, Nora, Harold W., Rufus O., and Ida Morse. Newton, who married Myra Keene and resides at Haverhill, Mass., has one child, Beatrice. Eugene, also a resident of Blue Hill, married Blanche Wardwell, who has borne him four sons — Kenneth, Cecil, Howard, and Malcolm. Ernest married Nora Bowden, of Surry, and resides with his parents.

Mr. Osgood has worthily upheld the traditions of his family by faithfully serving his townspeople in various official positions. For

about five years he has been both a member of the Board of Selectmen and Deputy Sheriff. Also for many years he has been School Agent for Blue Hill, and he was one of the trustees of the fund for the building of the Stevens Academy. At one time he was Town Surveyor. His religious belief accords with the creed of the Baptist church, of which he is a member, and which he has served in the capacity of treasurer and that of the chairman of the Church Committee for many years. A staunch upholder of good government, he has never missed an election of any sort since 1848, when he cast his first Presidential vote for Zachary Taylor.

HON. ELISHA T. HOLBROOK, of Vanceboro, Washington County, was born in Farley, Vt., May 11, 1833, son of Henry E. and Clarissa (Lamb) Holbrook. The grandfather, Parker M. Holbrook, a native of Connecticut, was an early settler in Farley, where he tilled the soil for many years. His last days were spent in St. Lawrence County, New York, where he died at the age of seventy-nine years. He had five children, none of whom are living. Henry E. Holbrook, son of Parker M., born in Bradford, Vt., grew to manhood as a farmer. He followed that occupation in Vermont during the active period of his life; and he died in St. Lawrence County, New York, at the age of seventy-two. In his later years he was a Republican. His religious belief was the Congregationalist. Clarissa, his wife, who was

a native of Hyde Park, Vt., became the mother of eleven children. Of these, four are living — Elisha T., Calvin M., Mrs. Clara Austin, and Mrs. Almeda Bean — all of whom, except Elisha T., reside in Boulder City, Col. The others were: Sophia, Mary E., Mary A., Joseph, Edward, Harriet Austin, and another child that died in infancy. The mother lived to be eighty-five years old.

Elisha T. Holbrook resided at home until he was nineteen years old. Then he travelled through the Western States for two years in the interest of several leading insurance companies. After this he returned home, and completed his education at the Normal School. He was next engaged in teaching for about seven years. At the end of that time he went to Canada, where he acted as general agent for the sale of Miller's Extract of Hemlock Bark for over two years, and was also engaged in trade for some time. Later he came to Maine as book-keeper for the Shaw Brothers at Jackson Brook, where he remained about two and a half years. He came to Vanceboro in 1873, to act in the same capacity in the new department store. On severing his connection with that concern nine years later, he established himself in a general mercantile business in this town. Starting with a large and varied stock, which afforded the people of the neighborhood sufficient opportunity to select just what they wanted, he continued that policy, with the result that he won a large and profitable patronage. Some time since he withdrew from the active management of the store in favor of his son, and is now person-

ally engaged in general farming. He owns and cultivates about five hundred acres of land, and is a registered cattle breeder, making a specialty of raising Holstein stock. Public affairs have absorbed considerable of his time. He has served with ability as a Selectman and in other town offices, was a Representative to the legislature in 1883, a State Senator in 1889 and 1890, Trial Justice for twenty one years, and he is now acting as a Notary Public. He is a member of St. Croix Lodge, No. 73, F. & A. M.; and of Lodge No. 78, Knights of Pythias, of Vanceboro.

On February 8, 1861, Mr. Holbrook married Mary A. Whitney, who was born in Abbotsford, Canada, in 1838. They have two sons: Edward A., born in Abbotsford, June 6, 1863; and Harry S., born in St. Lawrence County, New York, May 5, 1865. Edward A. Holbrook, who succeeded his father in the management of the store, is one of the most enterprising young men in the town. He has been Postmaster for four years, and is now first Selectman. On September 9, 1886, he married Louisa T. Sprague, of Princeton, Me., and now has three daughters — Mary L., Margaret A., and Ruth C. Holbrook. He is an advanced Mason, being a member of the Blue Lodge in Danforth, of St. Croix Chapter, and of the commandery in Calais. He is also connected with Friendship Lodge, No. 97, I. O. O. F., of that town; and with the Knights of Pythias and the Ancient Order of United Workmen in Vanceboro. Harry S. Holbrook, who is connected with his brother's

store, married Georgia Peava, of Week's Mills, Me., and has one son, George Thayer Holbrook. He has served as Town Clerk, and is connected with the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Ancient Order of United Workmen. He is also a member of the Congregational church. Mr. Holbrook, Sr., is one of the best known residents in this section of the county, and his ability both as a business man and public official is highly appreciated. He and his sons are active supporters of the Republican party. Mrs. Holbrook died March 26, 1888.

DANIEL HARRIS, who is engaged in general farming and stock-raising in Canaan, Somerset County, born June 18, 1858, is a native of Moose River Plantation, this county. His father and mother, who were born in England and Ireland, respectively, came to the United States when quite young. Richard Harris, the father, settled in Moose River Plantation, where he was engaged in farming for many years, and is now living in retirement in Skowhegan. His wife died June 23, 1891. She was the mother of nine children, namely: Robert and Olive, who are no longer living; Lizzie, now the widow of Albert Douglas; Susie and Henrietta, both of whom are now residing in Skowhegan; Waymouth, who resides in California; Albert, who lives in Alpena, Mich.; Daniel, the subject of this sketch; and Maria, the wife of Frank B. Nelson, of Canaan.

Daniel Harris acquired a common-school education. At an early age he began to assist his father in carrying on the home farm. He resided there until 1891, when he moved to the Robinson farm of one hundred acres in Canaan. Besides this property he owns the Harris homestead of seventy-five acres. He makes the most of his opportunities for carrying on general farming and cattle raising, and conducts quite an extensive dairying business.

On September 23, 1886, Mr. Harris married Carrie E. Robinson, who was born in Waterville, March 18, 1857, daughter of George W. and Hannah (Springer) Robinson. Mrs. Harris's father was at one time a boot and shoe dealer in Waterville and Skowhegan and later a cigar manufacturer in Lewiston. Afterward he devoted his time exclusively to agriculture in Canaan, where he died in June, 1886. Mrs. Robinson is now living with her son in Auburn, Me. She and her husband reared four children, namely: Carrie E., who is now Mrs. Harris; Mary S., the wife of Willis H. Bursiel, a street car conductor in Boston; Charles E., who married Carrie Butts, and is in the fruit business in Charleston, S.C.; and Leon P. Robinson, an operative in a shoe factory in Auburn. Mr. and Mrs. Harris have had two children, one of whom died in infancy. Their only daughter, Hester, was born January 29, 1897. Politically, Mr. Harris is a Republican, and is now serving his second term as a Selectman, having previously been a member of that body in 1890. He is a Master Mason and a member of Carabasset Lodge, Canaan.

JUDAH D. TEAGUE was an able business man and a public-spirited citizen of Caribou, Aroostook County. Born in Turner, Me., July 18, 1821, he was a son of Richard and Lydia (Lombard) Teague. The father was an industrious farmer of Turner, where he died, after spending in it the greater part of his life. Lydia, his first wife, died in 1842. His second marriage was contracted with Betsey Briggs, of Turner, who is also deceased. The children of his first union were: Judah D., Daniel, Louisa, Rufus, and Naomi, none of whom are now living. Born of his second wife were: Herbert, who carries on a general mercantile business and operates a mill in Jay, Me.; and Edward, who resides in Montana, and is a carpenter by trade.

At the age of twenty years, having acquired a district-school education, Judah D. Teague began the laborious task of clearing and cultivating an unimproved tract of land. In 1855 he opened a general store in Turner, where he was in business for about five years. Then he came to Caribou, and kept a store here for the succeeding six years. After this he was prosperously engaged in general farming for the rest of his life, also dealing quite extensively in real estate. He sold to the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad Company the land near the river now occupied by the station engine-house and turn-table; and he subdivided a tract of land east of North Main Street into large building lots, reserving nearly six acres for a public park. His public services were rendered in the principal town offices, includ-

ing those of Selectman and Treasurer. He was also the Postmaster for six years, the Representative of the district in the legislature during the years 1867, 1868, and 1869, and a Trial Justice for over thirty years. In politics he was originally a Whig. Later he became a Republican. He died October 15, 1896, aged seventy-five years. His loss was keenly felt by the entire community, in which he was so deeply and unselfishly interested.

Previous to his majority Mr. Teague contracted the first of his three marriages with Eliza A. Ricker, a schoolmate, who lived but a year after the ceremony. His second marriage was made with Evelyn M. Morse, of Livermore Falls, Me. To that union were born seven children, namely: Milton, who died in California in 1893; Eliza, now the wife of Arthur V. Gould, a farmer of Caribou; Mary A., the wife of Joseph Smith, of Bridgewater, Me.; Alletta E., who is residing in Los Angeles, Cal.; Clara L., who married R. A. Burch, and lives in Salina, Kan.; Kate F., now the wife of J. F. Bradstreet, of Bridgewater; and Richard H., who is a fruit-grower in Santa Paula, Cal. The mother died about the year 1868. The third marriage, on May 30, 1869, united Mr. Teague with Miss Ann E. Small, who was born in Wales, Androscoggin County, Me., July 30, 1842, daughter of William and Melinda (Randall) Small. In early life Mr. Small followed farming in Wales, his native town, and later kept a general store. From Wales he went to Leeds Junction as railroad station agent, and

was subsequently appointed the superintendent and treasurer of the Farmington Branch Railroad. He finally moved to Fort Fairfield, this county, and engaged in trade. His wife, who was a native of Lewiston, Me., died in January, 1897. Mrs. Ann E. Teague has had seven children, namely: William S., who died at the age of ten years; Electra R., now the wife of George Briggs, a farmer of Caribou; Dana L. Teague, a prominent young business man, who is carrying on the homestead farm; Calvert Vernon, Norman D., and Harold W., who are no longer living; and Donald Spencer Teague, who resides at home. Mrs. Teague attends the Universalist church, to which her husband formerly accompanied her.

CHARLES H. HASKELL, a well-to-do resident of Steuben, Washington County, son of Charles H. and Margaret (Leighton) Haskell, was born here, July 23, 1856. The grandfather, Zebulon Haskell, a native of Massachusetts and for some years a resident of Rochester, in that State, was a Sergeant in the Continental army during the Revolutionary War. In 1809 he settled in Steuben, locating about three miles from the Centre. A few years later he moved to the village, where he operated a carding-mill. He was one of the most active business men among the early settlers, and his energy materially assisted the community in its early struggle for existence. He died at the age of seventy-two years. His widow, whose maiden name was Susannah Sherman, lived

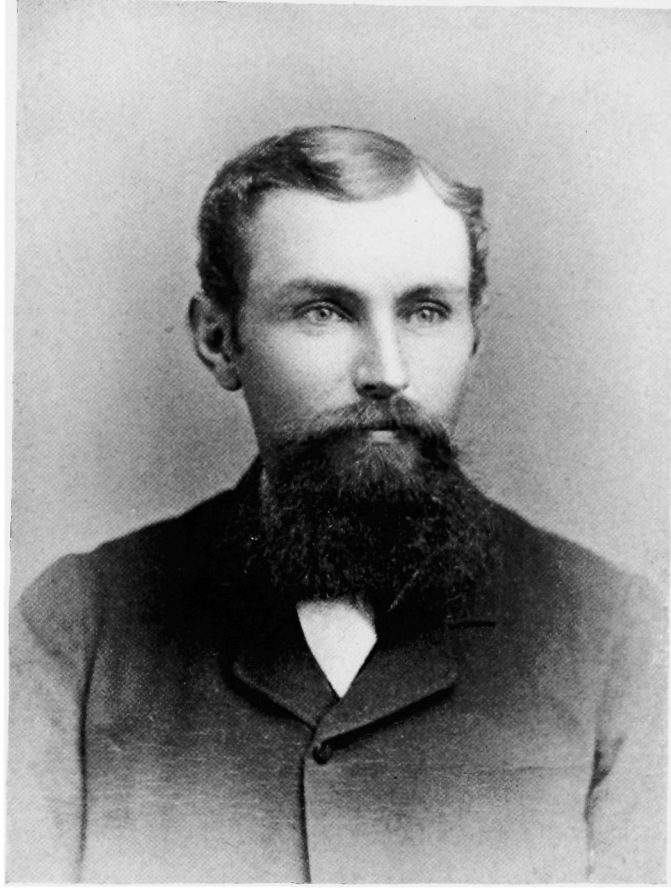
to the advanced age of ninety-two, receiving from the United States government the annual pension of thirty-five dollars and thirty-eight cents in recognition of her husband's services in the War for Independence. They reared five children — Joanna, Susannah, Leonard L., William, and Charles H.

Charles H. Haskell, Sr., who was born in Rochester, Mass, in 1803, acquired his education in Steuben. After following the sea for fifteen years, he carried on a general mercantile business for twenty-five years. Dealing also in real estate, he was at one time one of the largest land-owners in Steuben. He served in various town offices, including that of Selectman, was the Postmaster for eight years, and he represented the district with much ability in the legislature of 1872. At his death, on December 25, 1890, his age was eighty-seven years and nine months. Margaret Leighton Haskell, his wife, who was a native of Steuben, became the mother of several children, of whom five reached maturity, and two are living. The latter are: Charles H., the subject of this sketch; and George W., who was born September 10, 1857. The rest of the five were: Rebecca, who died at the age of thirty-nine; Hattie, who died at fifteen; and Lucy, who died at thirty-two. Rebecca was the wife of Captain Eugene Handy, of Steuben. Lucy married Captain George C. Newell. George W. Haskell, still a bachelor, who followed the sea for about five years, is now working at the carpenter's trade, and caring for his real estate interests.

After completing his education Charles H.

Haskell, the subject of this biography, engaged in farming and lumbering, in which he has since been constantly interested. He is now also the proprietor of a thriving fancy-goods store. Conjointly with his brother, he likewise owns two hundred acres of land in Steuben and sixteen hundred acres in Township No. 7. By his marriage with Nellie Cummings, of Portland, Me., a daughter of Horace B. and Louisa D. Cummings, he is the father of five children — Lucy, Clara, Marion, Olive, and Delmer. In politics he is a Republican, and he has served as second Selectman for one term. Both he and Mrs. Haskell are Methodists, while his brother, George W., is a Universalist.

MELVIN W. MORGAN, the Postmaster of Summit in the town of Orneville, Piscataquis County, and an energetic farmer and a general merchant, was born in Charlotte, Washington County, Me., May 4, 1852, son of John S. and Mary (Smith) Morgan. Theophilus B. Morgan, the grandfather, a native of Massachusetts and a tanner and shoemaker by trade, who was also a hunter, went from Hallowell to Dexter on horseback, making his way through the woods by the aid of spotted trees, and there followed his trade in connection with farming for some years. His last days were spent in Charlotte, and he lived to be about seventy-five years old. He was the father of eighteen children. His



MELVIN W. MORGAN.

first wife was drowned in Passamaquoddy Bay.

John S. Morgan, who was born in Dexter, July 31, 1813, was employed at shoemaking and farming in Charlotte until 1857. Then he moved to Orneville, and there was occupied in improving the farm his son now occupies. He was an able and industrious farmer. Also a man of considerable intelligence, he rendered valuable service to the town as a Selectman. He joined the Republican party at its formation. Later he supported the Greenback movement, and finally became a Prohibitionist. In religious belief he was an Adventist. He died of paralysis, June 26, 1896. His wife, Mary, born in Charlotte in 1817, who still survives and resides with her son, Melvin W., has had thirteen children. Of these, nine are living, namely: Howard C., James H., and Melvin W., who reside in Orneville; Bowman S., a resident of Spencer, Mass.; John S., of Atkinson, Me.; Mrs. Mary A. Smith, of Dover; Mrs. Lydia L. Small, of Island Falls, Aroostook County; Mrs. L. A. Pierce, of Cornish, Me.; and Mrs. Albertine E. Silver, of Dover. The others were: Sidney and Webster Morgan, Mrs. Augusta E. Damon, and Mrs. Sarah E. Sawyer, of whom the first two died young.

Melvin W. Morgan has resided in Orneville since he was five years old. After attending the public schools for a time, he completed his studies at the Greeley Institute in Cumberland, Me. Then he taught school for eight or ten years. In 1881 he returned to the homestead for the purpose of taking

charge of the farm and caring for his parents in their declining years. Besides some woodland he has a good farm of one hundred and fifty acres, on which he raises hay, grain, potatoes, cattle, sheep, and horses. For some years past he has also kept a general country store, which is well stocked and largely patronized; and he makes a specialty of handling pumps of all kinds. His public services have been of a character to gain the confidence of his fellow-townsmen. He was Town Clerk and Treasurer for six years, Supervisor and superintendent of schools for ten years, chairman of the Board of Selectmen for the past five terms, and the Postmaster and Justice of the Peace for some time.

On December 22, 1877, Mr. Morgan was united in marriage with Ida A. McCorrison, of Atkinson. Mrs. Morgan has been the mother of four children, namely: Edith M., who died at the age of five years; Eva M., born August 14, 1884; Mervin W., born August 16, 1888; and Ola O., born July 20, 1891. In politics Mr. Morgan is a Republican. He is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Milo and the Patrons of Husbandry of North Bradford. Also a member of the Free Will Baptist church, he is the superintendent of the society's Sunday-school.

BENJAMIN F MILLIKEN, of Eastport, Washington County, the founder of the firm B. F. Milliken & Son, merchants, outfitters, and steamship owners and agents, born on March 11, 1824,

is a son of Benjamin and Catherine (White) Milliken and a native of St. George, N.B. His grandfather, Dominicus Milliken, who was born at Scarboro, Me., went to St. George early in life, and was there engaged in ship-building, selling many vessels and retaining and fitting out others for trading voyages. His extensive business was carried on in company with his sons, in the firm D. Milliken & Sons. Besides their ship-building they did a large business in manufacturing lumber. Dominicus Milliken was drowned in St. Andrew's Bay at a very advanced age.

Benjamin Milliken, born at St. George, died there at the age of fifty-one. He was a member of the firm founded by his father, and was a very energetic and progressive business man. His religious belief was that of the Baptist church, while his wife was a member of the Church of England. A native of Eastport, though her parents resided in Portsmouth, N.H., she lived to be nearly seventy years old, and was the mother of twelve children, all of whom but two were present at her funeral. Of their number, Joseph and George are deceased. Those living are: Benjamin F., who is the eldest; Dominicus; Izette; Annie; Edward; Sarah; Charles; Jesse; Gleason; and Nellie.

Benjamin F. Milliken resided in St. George until his seventeenth year, receiving his education mainly in private schools. Coming then to Eastport, he entered the employ of George Hobbs, who conducted a general merchandise store, and was also the agent for a Boston line of steamers. For five or six years

young Mr. Milliken worked here as head clerk and confidential man. In 1844 or 1845 he started in business for himself, buying what was then known as the Wheeler property, which included his present wharf. Although from 1864 to 1874 his interests required his constant presence in either New York or New Orleans, he has always held real estate property here. In recent years, besides carrying on a wholesale flour and corn trade, he fits out fishing-vessels, and conducts a large general merchandise store, a commission business, and a freight transportation business between this port and New York on steamboat. He was formerly the president of a company conducting a line of freight steamers, and he and his son are now agents for the Manhattan Steamship Company of New York. The firm B. F. Milliken & Son is now said to do the largest shipping business in Eastport.

On September 18, 1848, Mr. Milliken was married to Mary E. Aymar, a native of St. Andrews, N.B., and a daughter of John Aymar. Of this union five children have been born — Charles D., Agnes A., Frank S., Isabelle, and Louisa. Charles D. resides in New York City. The daughters reside in Eastport. Frank S. Milliken, the junior partner of B. F. Milliken & Son and one of the leading young men of this city, was for four years Special Deputy Collector of Eastport, under President Cleveland's first administration. He married Mabel Gilson, of Portland, and has four children. Mr. and Mrs. Milliken are Unitarians. Politically, Mr. Milliken is a Democrat. He has taken an ac-

tive part in local affairs, but has never been an office-seeker. He was a member of the first Board of Aldermen after Eastport was incorporated as a city. At the present time he is the president of the City Council. Mr. Milliken's success in life has been merited by the perseverance and activity he has displayed in all his business relations. The handsome residence of the family was built by him in 1856.

HON. STEPHEN A. NYE, one of the most prominent business men of Fairfield, was born in this town, January 31, 1835, son of Stephen and Eleanor (McKecknie) Nye. Both parents were also natives of Fairfield. Stephen Nye, who succeeded to the family homestead in Fairfield, was for many years extensively engaged in farming and lumbering. He hauled logs by the thousand for Abner Coburn in the palmy days of the lumbering industry on the Kennebec, and in that way cleared a great deal of the land that is now used for agricultural purposes. Although constantly successful in his undertakings, his industry continued unabated to the last. It was his custom to make his own and his children's footwear. Originally a Whig in politics, he later became a Republican. He served as Deputy Sheriff from 1840 to 1842, and was a Representative in the legislature for one term. He was one of the most active members and liberal supporters of the first Methodist church in Fairfield, the church building of which he assisted in erecting; and he was respected and beloved for his

kind-hearted generosity in relieving the poor and needy. In 1865 he sold the old homestead, moved to the village, and there afterward resided until his death, which occurred in April, 1876. His wife died in March, 1877. She was the mother of eight children; namely, John Henry, William Russell, Hannah C., Lorenzo D., Stephen A., Greenleaf G., Francis Asbury, and Llewellyn Nye. Of these the only survivor is Stephen A., the subject of this sketch. John Henry, who was at one time a member of the State legislature and a merchant in California and spent the last fifteen years of his life in retirement, married Ellen M. Cleveland, of Fairfield, and died in November, 1876; William Russell Nye, who was a farmer, married Hattie Weymouth; Hannah C., who died in 1854, was the wife of Franklin Lawrence, who is now a retired business man, living in the West; Lorenzo D. died at the age of nineteen; Llewellyn died in California at the same age; and Greenleaf G. and Francis A. died young.

Leaving school when he was sixteen years old, Stephen A. Nye accompanied a party of Fairfield gold-seekers to California. There he was employed first as a cook and later as a miner. Still later he kept a boarding-house. Each of these occupations proved fairly remunerative. In the course of his stay he acquired possession of some good claims, which he sold after remaining on the Pacific coast five years. After his return to Fairfield he was associated for the next three years with his brother in the flour and feed business.

Later, in company with F. W. Fogg, they bought a large tract of land known as Bow township, and under the firm name of Nye, Fogg & Co. carried on lumbering and manufacturing for some time. Then the firm sold the mills to H. & J. M. Fogg, and the township was bought by Skowhegan parties. Some time later Mr. Nye purchased a half-interest in the mills formerly owned by Nye, Fogg & Co., and three years after he bought another mill, which was subsequently burned. Between the years 1875 and 1894 he was quite extensively engaged in the lumber manufacturing business in Fairfield, besides conducting logging operations. Now he is gradually winding up his affairs, with a view to permanently retiring from active business. He owns Township No. 3, together with other valuable timber and farming lands; is the president of the company that carries on the upholstery factory in Fairfield, of the Fairfield Building Company, and the Fairfield Boom Company; and he is a director of the Fairfield Cotton Mills. He is also interested in the Fairfield & Waterville Street Railway Company; a stockholder and director of the Waterville Trust Company; a large owner and a director of the Portsmouth, Kittery & York Electric Street Railroad; and a member of a syndicate engaged in reconstructing the Brunswick, Lewiston, Auburn & Bath Electric Railroad.

In politics Mr. Nye is a Republican. While not an active politician, he has rendered valuable services to his party, as well as the general community, in the capacity of a

member of the Maine House of Representatives during the years 1882 and 1883, and of the State Senate in 1884 and 1885. He married Hannah Cleveland, of Fairfield, a daughter of Luther and Eliza (Wheeler) Cleveland. Mr. Cleveland was a millman in this town. Mrs. Nye is the mother of one daughter, Eliza Wheeler Nye. Mr. Nye was made a Mason in Siloam Lodge, No. 92, of Fairfield, in 1859, and is now a member of St. Albans Commandery, Knights Templar, of Gardiner, Me.

HON. JOSEPH OTIS SMITH, editor and publisher, Skowhegan, Me., one of the best known citizens of Somerset County, a former Secretary of State, was born in Weston, Aroostook County, Me., April 24, 1839, son of Barnabas C. and Maria L. (Small) Smith. His ancestry on the paternal side is traced directly back to the Rev. John Smith, born in England about 1614, who came to America and settled at Barnstable, Cape Cod, Mass., in 1630.

The Rev. John Smith married Susanna Hinckley, daughter of Samuel Hinckley, of Scituate, Mass., and sister of Governor Thomas Hinckley, of the Plymouth Colony. Thirteen children were the fruit of this union, the eighth a son Thomas, born in 1664, who was the second in the line of descendants traced, which includes Mr. Joseph O. Smith, of Skowhegan, his son, George O. Smith, and grandson, Charles C. Smith, representatives of nine generations in all, each designated by a figure placed at the right above the name.

After Thomas Smith² come in lineal succession: Samuel,³ eldest son, born in 1689; Stephen,⁴ fifth son, born in 1739; Joseph O.,⁵ fourth son, born January 31, 1772; Barnabas C.,⁶ second son, born in 1809; Joseph Otis,⁷ second son, born in 1839; George Otis,⁸ first son, born in 1871; Charles Coburn,⁹ first son, born 1897.

In the war of the Revolution, Stephen Smith, great-grandfather of Editor Smith, served as Captain of a company of infantry stationed at Machias, Me. His son, Joseph O. Smith (first), grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was a native of Sandwich, Mass. He was a physician in general practice, and lived at different periods in Machias, Me., Addison, Me., St. Stephen, N.B., and Hodgdon, Me. He died in July, 1853, aged eighty-one years and six months. He married in 1814 Mrs. Elizabeth Strout Coffin, widow of Barnabas Coffin. She was born at Harrington, Me., in 1770, and died in May, 1851, aged eighty-one years.

Barnabas C. Smith, son of Dr. Joseph O., was born at Addison, Washington County, Me., and lived in that town until about twenty-five years of age. Removing to Aroostook County, he was a resident of Weston about fifteen years, and afterward made his home in the town of Hodgdon and still later in Linneus, where he died January 3, 1881. During the greater part of his life he was diligently employed in farming and lumbering. In politics he was a Republican, in religion a Baptist. He held no public offices. His wife, whose maiden name was Maria

Louisa Small, was born in Addison, Me., in 1818, the daughter of Samuel and Betsy (Coffin) Small. She died in March, 1864, having been the mother of seven children, of whom six reached maturity.

Joseph Otis, the second son, was educated in the common schools and at Houlton Academy, and in early manhood divided his time between farm work and teaching. Enlisting in the Union army in 1863, he was commissioned a Lieutenant in the Eleventh Maine Regiment in April, 1865, and continued to serve his country in that capacity till he was mustered out in February, 1866. For a period of five years, ending in 1872, he was engaged in trade. He has been interested in the printing and publishing business since 1878, a period of twenty years, and is now editor of the *Somerset Reporter*, published by J. O. Smith & Co., the principal newspaper in Somerset County and the only Republican paper in the county.

Mr. Smith was clerk of the Republican State Committee five years, when James G. Blaine was chairman; and he has served twelve years continuously on the Republican State Committee for Somerset County. He was a member of the House of Representatives in the State legislature in 1869 and 1870; Assistant Clerk of the House, 1872 and 1873; Deputy Secretary of State four years, ending in 1880; Secretary of State, 1881 to 1884, inclusive; and Insurance Commissioner of Maine, 1885 to January, 1894. In Hodgdon prior to 1872 he served as Town Clerk, Superintending School Committee, Town



CHARLES A. MARSTON.

ner. He has visited nearly all the great ports of the world, and many and varied have been his adventures. On October 5, 1873, while sailing the brig "Fanny Keating," he was wrecked in the Gulf of Mexico. Though no lives were lost, the sailors were not rescued until after spending five days lashed to the wreck. Again, on December 5, 1891, Captain Kane was wrecked in the brig "I. W. Parker," which, however, was run ashore, and all on board saved. On February 5, 1895, he sighted a steamer in distress, which proved to be the English steamer "Elmet." He lay by her for several days; and when she finally sunk he had the good fortune to save the entire crew of twenty-two men, whom he landed at Barbadoes, five thousand miles from the scene of the wreck. In recognition of this deed Queen Victoria presented him with a silver loving-cup, which is one of his most valued possessions. On May 30, 1895, the bark "Monrovia," commanded by Captain Kane, struck a reef off Santa Cruz, and became a total loss; but no lives were lost. Of the two last-named vessels he was the sole owner, and in the first he had an eighth interest. After the wreck of the "Monrovia" he decided to settle on land; and in the following September he bought out the Morrison Medical Company of Bar Harbor, which was formed for the purpose of manufacturing tonics, cough cures, and pills. The company owns a large delivery wagon, by means of which its medicines are distributed throughout the county.

On December 2, 1868, Captain Kane first

married Clara A., daughter of Captain Amos and Mehitable (Osgood) Varnum. She became the mother of Lillian May Kane, who graduated from the Emerson School of Oratory in the class of 1896, and is now teaching as assistant principal of the Blue Hill Academy. Captain Kane's second wife before her marriage was Edith Dailey, of New York. She is the mother of one son, John W., Jr. The Captain is a Mason, an Odd Fellow, and a member of the American Order of United Workmen. In politics he is a Republican.

HON. CHARLES A. MARSTON, a prominent business man of Skowhegan and an ex-member of the Maine Senate, was born in Waterville, Kennebec County, Me., May 26, 1851, son of Isaiah and Eliza (Coburn) Marston. He comes of long lines of English and American ancestry, belonging to a family whose history in England, according to the author of the Marston Genealogy, dates back to the time of William the Conqueror. The earliest of the name mentioned in that work, however, are Edward and John de Marston, who were living in the thirteenth century. It is said that the family yet own estates in the neighborhood of Marston Moor, near York, the scene of Cromwell's victory over the Royalists, July 2, 1644.

John Marston, the founder of the American branch, was born at Yarmouth, England, in 1615. He came over on the ship "Rose," arriving at Salem, Mass., April 11, 1637.

He was a carpenter by trade and at one time a Quaker in religion. On August 4, 1640, he married Alice Eden, also a native of Yarmouth, by whom he had ten children. John Marston died December 19, 1681.

John Marston, Jr., who was born in Salem in 1641, followed his father's trade. He united with the First Church, and became a Deacon. On September 5, 1664, he married for his first wife Mary, daughter of James and Mary Chichester. She died May 25, 1686, aged forty-three years; and for his second wife he married Mrs. Mary Turner, daughter of Thomas and Mary Gardiner and widow of Habakkuk Turner. He was the father of eight children, six by his first union and two by his second. John Marston, third, son of Deacon John, was born in Salem, September 2, 1667. His death occurred prior to 1716. He also was a carpenter by trade. About the year 1690 he married Susanna, daughter of Thomas and Susannah W. Stacy.

His only son, Benjamin, the second of five children, was born in 1693 or 1694, and died in April, 1769. Benjamin Marston settled in Barnstable, Mass., and erected and operated a grist and woollen mill in a locality that still bears the name of Marston's Mills. On April 26, 1716, he married Lydia, daughter of Ebenezer and Lydia (Crowell) Goodspeed, of Barnstable. Seven children were the fruit of this union.

Prince Marston, the sixth of these and the next in this line, was born in Barnstable, March 24, 1735. He succeeded his father in carrying on the mills, and lived to an ad-

vanced age. His wife, whom he married July 21, 1757, was Sarah, daughter of Kenelm Winslow, of Brewster, Mass.; and his family consisted of eight children, of whom Isaiah was the eldest. Kenelm Winslow, father of Sarah, wife of Prince Marston, was the fourth of the name in direct line, beginning with the first Kenelm in this country, who came probably in 1629, and was a brother of Governor Edward Winslow.

Isaiah Marston, son of Prince and Sarah (Winslow) Marston, was born in Barnstable, August 27, 1758. He was engaged in manufacturing in his native town until 1801, when he went to Waterville, Me., where he erected mills and operated them in connection with farming. On May 2, 1779, he married Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph Lawrence, of Sandwich, Mass. He died June 24, 1827, aged sixty-nine years; and she died in May, 1848, aged ninety-one years. She was the mother of eight children; and her second child, Kenelm, Charles A. Marston's grandfather, was born in Barnstable, February 13, 1782.

Kenelm Marston accompanied his parents to Waterville, and, settling upon a farm, resided there until his death, which occurred November 10, 1852, in his seventy-first year. He married Lucy Bates, of Waterville, in 1806, and reared eight children, of whom Isaiah, second, was the eldest.

Isaiah Marston, Charles A. Marston's father, was born in Waterville, September 4, 1806. He was reared upon a farm, and, adopting that occupation, he followed it with energy during his active years. He was prom-

inent in local public affairs, was active in the militia, and was Colonel of a regiment of artillery. In his religious views he was a Baptist. Isaiah Marston lived to be eighty-seven years old. Eliza Coburn, his wife, whom he married May 7, 1829, was a native of Bloomfield. She was a sister of the late Hon. Abner Coburn, at one time Governor of Maine, and of Stephen Coburn, a former Congressman, and was of Scotch-Irish descent. She became the mother of eight children, of whom Erastus W., of Oakland, Cal., Alonzo, of San Francisco, Mrs. Mary C. Weston, who resides in Boston, and the Hon. Charles Albert Marston are the only survivors. Four daughters, now deceased, bore the names Fidelia C., Elvira C., Julia A., and Helen E.

Charles Albert Marston acquired his education in the common schools and Bloomfield academy, and studied civil engineering at eighteen. He was attached to a corps of engineers in Illinois and Iowa for a year; and upon his return to Maine he was employed by his uncles, Abner and Philander Coburn, looking after their farming and lumbering interests. Five years later he bought a farm, which he cultivated for some time; and, locating in Skowhegan in 1885, he was for a number of years engaged in the plumbing and steam fitting business with George Forrest, under the firm name of Forrest & Marston. He became interested in the lumber business with Charles J. Davis, and later became associated with others at various times, and is now considered one of the large operators in this section of Somerset County.

He purchased the majority of the capital stock of the Bloomfield Shoe Company, of which he was one of the organizers and first treasurer. He is treasurer and general manager of the Boston & Boothbay Land Company, one of the incorporators and large stockholders of the Skowhegan Water Works and the Skowhegan Electric Light Company, and is vice-president and a heavy stockholder in the Skowhegan & Norridgewock Electric Railway Company.

In politics Mr. Marston is a Republican. He has been a member of the Republican Town Committee fifteen years, and ten years of that time its chairman. He was a member of the Maine House of Representatives 1891-94 and a member of the Senate 1895-96. While a member of the lower house in 1891 and 1893, he served upon the Committees on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance and Interior Waters; and in the Senate of 1895 he was assigned to those having charge of the same matters in the upper branch, besides being a member of the Committee on Interior Waters and chairman of the Committee on Taxation. His work in the committee-room and his ability in debate were of a nature to place him among the foremost leaders of his party and gain the hearty appreciation of his constituents. He has also held several town offices. He was a member of the School Committee six years, and was chairman of the board three years of that time.

Mr. Marston is far advanced in Masonry, being a member of Somerset Lodge, No. 34, F. & A. M.; Somerset Chapter, No. 15,

Royal Arch Masons; Mount Moriah Council, No. 10, Royal and Select Masters; De Molay Commandery, No. 10, Knights Templar; and Kora Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is connected with Carrabasset Lodge, No. 34, I. O. O. F.; Parmenius Encampment, No. 18; is a prominent member of Canton Somerset, No. 26, Patriarchs Militant; was Commissary, with rank of Captain, on Colonel Colby's staff, and Major of Second Battalion, and is now Lieutenant-Colonel of Second Regiment, Patriarch's Militant, Department of Maine; is a member of Skowhegan Lodge, No. 79, Knights of Pythias; and of Oosoola Division, No. 13, Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias; is also a member, with rank of Colonel, of Brigadier-General Smith's staff, Uniform Rank, Department of Maine; is a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, the American Academy of Political and Social Science, Philadelphia, and the Patrons of Husbandry. He likewise belongs to several social clubs, was formerly president of the Skowhegan Athletic Association, vice-president of the Board of Trade, and is a member of the Home Market Club. In his religious views he is a Baptist.

In 1876 Mr. Marston was united in marriage with Sarah S. Steward, daughter of Philander C. Steward, of Skowhegan. She was born in Victoria, Australia. Mrs. Marston is the mother of five children, namely: Roy L., now in his Senior year at Bowdoin College; Lola E., Molly G., and Coburn S., who are students at the Skowhegan High School; and Claire R., a bright boy of ten years.

BENJAMIN W. HEWES, attorney and counsellor at law, Danforth, Washington County, Me., was born in Plymouth, Mass., August 23, 1853, son of Benjamin A. and Martha A. (Linnell) Hewes. The Hewes family is said to be of Welsh origin. Several emigrants bearing this surname came to New England in the early part of the seventeenth century. Savage in his Genealogical Dictionary mentions among others John, of Scituate, 1632, and Joshua, of Roxbury, Mass., about 1633, who married Mary Goldstone and removed to Rhode Island, eventually, however, returning to Boston. Representatives of the family displayed their patriotism to good advantage during the Revolutionary War. Daniel Hewes and his brother, George R. T. Hewes, in particular, are known to fame as having been active members of the Boston Tea Party of December, 1773.

Rufus M. Hewes, who was born at Foxboro, Mass., in 1788, was one of the first there to engage in the manufacture of straw hats and bonnets; and the greater part of his life was devoted to that industry in his native town. He married for his first wife Laura B. Williams, of Mansfield, Mass., and his children by that union were: Warren; Benjamin A., father of Benjamin W.; Hannah; Olive; Laura; Daniel; William; and Shubael. Grandfather Hewes married for his second wife a Miss George, of Brewer; and she bore him two children — John and Rufus.

Benjamin A. Hewes, son of Rufus M., was born in Foxboro, October 2, 1812. He

learned the machinist's trade, and during the early days of railroading he was a locomotive engineer on the Fitchburg Railway. Afterward he spent a number of years in Winchester, Va., where he was engaged in the manufacture of stoves; and when he returned North he resided for some time in Plymouth, Mass. He at length decided to devote his energies to agricultural pursuits, and removed to Exeter, Me., where for a while he occupied a farm, said to have been the first one cleared in that town. The last thirty years of his life were spent upon a farm in Levant, Me. Benjamin A. Hewes died May 5, 1897. Martha A. Hewes, his first wife, who was a native of Augusta, Me., died in October, 1877, aged sixty-six years and six months. He was again married, but had no children by his second wife. Of his first union were born three children, namely: Virginia, who became the wife of the Hon. Lewellyn Powers, the present Governor of Maine, and died in 1884; Dencey W. Hewes, who died at the age of forty-four years; and Benjamin W., the subject of this sketch.

Benjamin W. Hewes has resided in Maine since he was four years old. Having prepared himself for a classical course, he entered Bowdoin College at the age of eighteen; and after his graduation at twenty-two he taught school for some time. His law studies were begun in the office of Messrs. Humphrey & Appleton in Houlton, and continued with the Hon. Lewellyn Powers in Bangor. He was admitted to the bar in 1877; and two years later he settled at Danforth, where he has since

resided, and has built up a good general law business. He is a Justice of the Peace and Notary Public.

In 1879 Mr. Hewes married Cora E. Tupper, of Topsfield, Me., daughter of Eliakim and Phœbe Tupper. Her father is still living, and resides in that town. Mrs. Hewes is the mother of four children, namely: Virginia P., born May 5, 1880; Addie F., born August 8, 1881; Linnell T., born July 9, 1884; and Hazel, born July 15, 1889.

Politically, Mr. Hewes is a Republican. Though not desirous of holding town offices, he has actively interested himself in educational affairs, and served with ability upon the School Board. He is a Master Mason and a member of Kenduskeag Lodge, No. 137.

GENERAL RUSSELL B. SHEPHERD, a prominent business man of Skowhegan, a veteran of the Civil War, and a former member of Maine's Executive Council, was born in Fairfield, this county, September 14, 1829. His father was Job B. Shepherd, a native of Fairfield; and his grandfather, John Shepherd, settled there at an early date in the town's history. John Shepherd was a thrifty farmer, and acquired considerable property. As a member of the Society of Friends he did much toward promoting the interests and general welfare of his brethren. He served as a Selectman for a number of years, represented his town in the legislature, lived to be eighty-seven years old, and was the father of three children.

Job B. Shepherd, General Shepherd's father, who was a lifelong resident of Fairfield, operated a saw-mill in connection with farming during his active years. He was interested in public affairs, and took a prominent part in the Friends' meetings. Of his five children, two were the offspring of his first marriage and three the offspring of his second. Russell B. Shepherd was the second child of his first wife, who was a daughter of Abiatha Richmond, a Revolutionary soldier, although he had joined the Society of Friends. After the war, while eligible to a pension for his military services, he would not accept it on account of conscientious scruples. He died in Greene, Androscoggin County, Me., at the age of eighty-one years.

Russell B. Shepherd attended the Bloomfield Academy. After teaching school for a time, he entered Waterville College, from which he was graduated with the class of 1857. He studied law, and was admitted to the Penobscot County bar at Bangor in 1860. He was about to begin the practice of his profession when the outbreaking of the Rebellion caused him to change his mind. After assisting in the organization of the Eighteenth Maine Regiment, he was appointed Adjutant with the rank of Lieutenant. The Eighteenth was assigned to the Second Army Corps, under General Hancock, and was later under General Humphries. It participated in the battles of Spottsylvania Court House, Cold Harbor, Ptollopalamie Creek, Weldon Railroad, Hatcher's Run, Sailor's Creek, and Petersburg, and was present at the surrender

of General Lee at Appomattox Court House. At one time it engaged the enemy for ten days without interruption. Adjutant Shepherd was promoted to the rank of Major in December, 1862, was made Lieutenant Colonel in September, 1864, and, for gallant conduct at the battle of Weldon Railroad, in October of the same year was promoted to the rank of Colonel. On account of anticipated troubles upon the Mexican frontier his regiment was retained several months beyond the term of its enlistment. He was discharged as Brevet Brigadier-general in September, 1865. After a short stay in Skowhegan he returned South on account of his wife's failing health, and purchased a cotton plantation. This he carried on until 1873, when he again returned to Skowhegan, without, however, disposing of the plantation. Shortly after, in company with Lewis Anderson, he erected the Coburn Woollen Mills, with which he is still connected. He is the president of both the Skowhegan Pulp Company and the Skowhegan Traction Company, and he has been the president of the Second National Bank for several years.

General Shepherd is also a trustee of Colby University, of the University of Maine, formerly the State Agriculture College, and of the State Insane Hospital. He has served for two terms in the lower chamber of the State legislature and for the same length of time in the upper. In the lower branch he was the chairman of the Committees on Finance and Education, and while a member of the Senate in 1876 and 1877 he served in

the Committees on Finance and Banking. In 1878 he was a member of Governor Connor's Council. Politically, he is a Republican. An esteemed Mason, he is connected with Somerset Lodge, F. & A. M.; Somerset Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Mount Moriah Council, Royal and Select Masters; and De Molay Commandery, Knights Templar. He is also a member of the Union Veterans' Association and of the Newberne Club. His religious creed is that of the Society of Friends, whose meetings he attends. The present Mrs. Shepherd, a native of this town, is General Shepherd's second wife.

HON. JOSEPH B. PEAKS, an attorney-at-law of Dover, Piscataquis County, and a Civil War veteran, was born in Charleston, Me., September 26, 1829, son of William and Betsey (Billington) Peaks. His paternal grandfather, also named William, an early settler of Dedham, Me., died in that town at an advanced age. The father, who was born in Dedham, having learned the trade of a millwright when a young man, afterward followed it until his death, which occurred in 1845, at the age of forty-seven years. Betsey Peaks, his wife, who was a native of China, Me., had nine children, three of whom are living, namely: T. J. Peaks, of Charleston; Mrs. Elmira C. Folsom, of Providence, R.I.; and Joseph B., the subject of this sketch. The mother died in 1872, aged seventy-four years.

Joseph B. Peaks attended the Charleston

Academy, and afterward fitted for college. Instead of entering upon a classical course, however, he began the study of law with Jacob Lovejoy, of Corinth. On April 15, 1861, being then in Massachusetts, he enlisted for three months as a private in the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment, whose march through Baltimore was the cause of a serious riot. After the completion of his stipulated term he taught school for a time. He re-enlisted in the First Maine Cavalry on September 18, 1862, and afterward participated in the battles of Fredericksburg, Aldie, Brandy Station, and other engagements. On June 17, 1863, he received a severe wound, which confined him to the hospital for some time. He was honorably discharged in December, 1863. After the war he took a position as salesman in a dry-goods house in Boston, where he remained until 1870. Then he engaged in business for himself in Dover. In this period, once more turning his attention to law, he completed his preparations for the legal profession, and was admitted to the Piscataquis County bar in 1872. Since that time he has been in successful practice. A Republican in politics, he has ably filled several important elective offices, including those of State Senator, Representative, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and Town Agent. He was also County Attorney for three terms and Insurance Commissioner for three years, and he is now the chairman of the Board of Railroad Commissioners of Maine. Formerly he was Colonel of the First Regiment of the Maine Reserve Militia.

In 1871 Mr. Peaks was joined in marriage with Eliza Chadbourne, a native of Kennebunk, Me. Mrs. Peaks is the mother of two children: Anna H., born in July, 1872; and Francis C., born in February, 1874. A member of the Masonic fraternity, Mr. Peaks is connected with the Blue Lodge and R. A. Chapter in Dover. He is also a member of the Knights of Pythias. Actively interesting himself in various public improvements, he rendered valuable aid in securing the construction of the railway from Dexter to Foxcroft in 1889.

CHARLES H. CLARK, who has been Town Treasurer of New Portland for fourteen years, was born on the old Clark homestead in this town, June 8, 1847. He is a son of Charles B. and Mary B. (Butler) Clark. The father, born August 15, 1809, in the town of Industry, Franklin County, Me., moved to New Portland with his wife, taking up a large tract of wild land in the northern part of the town along the Kingfield Road. After clearing this land he purchased more, and was subsequently one of the large land-owners of the locality. He also successfully engaged in lumbering. A staunch Democrat and a prominent man of the town, he was elected to a number of important offices. As Selectman he served for a number of years, and he was a Representative to the State legislature in 1861. Mr. Clark died on October 17, 1892. His wife, who was born in Industry, January 29, 1811, died Septem-

ber 16, 1880. They had a family of twelve children, namely: Jacob, born August 4, 1833, who died July 9, 1870; Augustus, born March 16, 1835, who died June 10, 1868; Mary, born July 17, 1837, who died September 2, 1837; William F., born July 18, 1838, who died September 14, 1839; William F. (second), born September 17, 1840, who died September 15, 1841; Mary O., born July 12, 1842, who became the wife of T. M. Mantor, a manufacturer of mantels and house furnishings in Boston, Mass.; John P., born January 17, 1845, now engaged in trade at Anson and also interested in lumbering; Charles H., the subject of this sketch; George W., born November 17, 1850, the owner of the old Clark farm in North New Portland; Ella, born April 7, 1852, who died five days later; Emma, Ella's twin sister, who died March 5, 1854; and Fred L., born January 26, 1856, a resident of New Sharon, Me. John P. married Sarah F. Adams, of North Anson; George W. married Laura C. Dyer, of New Portland; and Fred L. married Nellie Vining, of Strong, Me.

Charles H. Clark had fair educational advantages, including a course of study in the high school. He remained with his parents until of age. Then he was in trade for a year with a partner in New Portland. During the next year he had a different partner. His brother John was his associate in business for the ensuing six years. Then for sixteen years he had an independent business. He has a large and handsome store, well stocked with groceries, dry goods, clothing, boots and

shoes, hats, caps, stationery, and wall papers. Mr. Clark also deals extensively in lumber, in company with his brother and others manages an extensive wool trade, and is a stockholder in the local telephone company. One of the leading business men of this section, he is widely known and highly respected.

On July 4, 1869, Mr. Clark was married to Flora A. Dyer, of New Portland, daughter of Warren and Betsey P. (Clough) Dyer. Mr. Dyer, a well-known man, was extensively engaged in general farming. He died September 19, 1870. His widow lives with her daughter, Mrs. Clark. Three children have blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Clark. Warren, the eldest, born February 24, 1870, was taken into partnership by his father on June 26, 1893, and is now an active factor in the business. He is a member of Northern Star Lodge, No. 28, F. & A. M., of North Anson; and of Lemon Stream Lodge, No. 55, I. O. O. F., of New Portland. He married Cora A. Butts, of New Portland, daughter of J. F. Butts. Morrie W. Clark, the second son, who was born October 3, 1872, is the junior member of the firm of Charles H. Clark & Sons, having been admitted to partnership simultaneously with his brother. Also an Odd Fellow, he belongs to Lemon Stream Lodge, No. 55, of this town. He married Elsie L., daughter of Charles H. Bartlett, of New Portland. Wenona L. Clark, youngest child of Charles H. and Flora A. Clark, born January 28, 1878, having graduated at the New Portland High School, is now a student at Wellesley College. The father is a staunch

Democrat. He has served on the Board of Selectmen for two years. His efficiency as Town Treasurer is evinced by the length of time he has served in that capacity.

JACOB D. MURRAY, an esteemed farmer of Parkman, son of Simon and Elizabeth (Dearborn) Murray, was born in Limerick, this State, on May 30, 1813. The grandfather, Jonathan Murray, who was born in Ireland, came to America when a young man, settling in the town of Scarboro. He was a farmer, and died in that town at an advanced age. His wife, Mary, also lived to a good old age. Their children were: Simon, Tillman, Eunice, and Rebecca. Simon Murray, a native of Shapleigh, who was a farmer and a millman, spent his active life in Limerick, Me., and died there at the age of forty-nine years, his death being caused by an accident. His wife, who was a native of North Scarboro, Me., and who died in her eighty-fifth year, was the mother of thirteen children — Benjamin, Sally, Mary, Susan, Ann, George, Archibald, Jacob, Eliza, Mahalie, Simon, Asa, and Emily. Of these the only other survivor is Susan, now Mrs. Chellis, of Newfield, Me.

Jacob D. Murray passed his early years in Limerick, and attended the town schools. At the age of nineteen he went to Massachusetts, and there obtained employment on a farm, where he received nine dollars per month in wages. Going back to Limerick subsequently, he worked for a Mr. Clark for two

years. Then he went to Cambridgeport, where he was employed in a brickyard. From Cambridgeport he went again to Limerick and then to Bangor, where he worked for a year in a wood and brick yard. Returning again to his native town, he was married there on December 27, 1836, to Mary McKusick, who was born in Limerick. In February, 1837, he removed to Parkman, to which he came with a two-horse team, having but little furniture. Taking up a hundred acres of uncultivated land in the north-western part of the town, he built upon it a log house, in which he lived for three years. Then he built a frame house, that was his dwelling until 1858, a period of sixteen years, at the end of which he came to his present farm. He has now a hundred acres of arable land, with farm buildings in good condition and well adapted for their purposes. Here he is chiefly occupied in general farming, while he has traded more or less in wool and hides.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray have four children, as follows: Francis Simon, who lives in Parkman; Sarah H., the wife of Josiah Prince, of Sangerville; Mary Elizabeth, the wife of James L. Bennett, of Guilford; and William K. Murray, of Parkman, who resides with his father. Francis Simon Murray was twice married. The first marriage was contracted with Lavisa French, of Parkman, who became the mother of four children — Minnie, Allie, John B., and Cora. After her death, which occurred in 1888, he entered the second marriage with Tilda Sanders, of Parkman, who has had no children. On August 9, 1877, Will-

iam K. Murray married Miss Mary L. Holt, of Dexter, by whom he is the father of five children; namely, Lester D., Daisy G., Mildred P., Edna G., and Garnet A. — all living. Lester D. wedded Ara Clark, of Kingsbury, Me., with whom he now resides in Sangerville.

Mrs. Mary Murray, who was a devoted member of the Free Will Baptist church, died on October 22, 1896. Mr. Murray has been a Deacon of the church for over forty years, and is one of its oldest members. He was Town Treasurer for two years, Selectman one year, and Tax Collector for several terms. Esteemed as a man of sound judgment, he has been appraiser for several estates in the town. In politics he is a Republican, having gone into that party from the old Whig party.

PROFESSOR LLEWELLYN M. FELCH, the principal of the normal department of the Ricker Classical Institute at Houlton, Aroostook County, is a man of scholarly attainments, and possesses in a marked degree the talent, tact, and ability required to insure success as an educator. He was born November 4, 1859, in Linneus, this county. A son of Danforth and Mary H. (Howe) Felch, he belongs to an old and well-known New England family, whose ancestors assisted in settling and improving a portion of York County, Maine. His paternal grandfather, Abijah Felch, removed from York to New Limerick in this county, of which place he was a pioneer. Danforth

Felch, though but a young lad when he accompanied his parents into the heavily wooded country from which the little town of New Limerick was reclaimed, began at once to assist in clearing the land, and afterward made farming his life occupation, his homestead being in Linneus. Of his five children, Llewellyn is the only son.

Receiving his elementary education in the district schools of Linneus, Llewellyn M. Felch at the same time was well trained in the various branches of agriculture. Having a natural love for books, he early determined to increase his knowledge by study and with that end in view he attended the Houlton Academy (now the Ricker Classical Institute) and the Lewiston High School, and was subsequently graduated from Dirigo Business College. Ambitious to still further fit himself for the profession of a teacher, and as his father was an invalid and in straitened circumstances, he taught in the district schools for several terms in order to earn enough to pay his expenses through a course of pedagogy. In 1885 he was graduated from the Farmington State Normal School, after which he devoted two years to the study of languages with private tutors, and was for a time assistant in the "Little Blue School" for boys at Farmington. From there he went to Nebraska to become the principal of the high school in Riverton. This situation he afterward gave up to accept his present position in the Ricker Classical Institute. In 1889 an appropriation of one thousand dollars per year for a period of ten years having been secured from the

State legislature for a normal department in the institute, said department was opened, and a three years' course established. Since then, under the Professor's admirable supervision, its efficiency has each year been increased and its enrolment augmented, there being at the present time about sixty students. The curriculum includes the same studies in pedagogics that are required in other training schools for teachers; while in the model school each student is enabled to acquire practical experience in applying the theories taught. The supporters of the normal department have endeavored to have it incorporated as a State Normal School in Aroostook County, and through their efforts a bill was fruitlessly sent to the legislature for that purpose. Its successful passage, however, is looked for in the near future.

Professor Felch has a wide reputation as a microscopist, and for the past two or three summers he has been the instructor in microscopy at the Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute. He has also added to his small salary by acting as the Aroostook County agent of Ginn & Co., Boston publishers, and has been so successful in introducing their works into the schools of this section of the State that the firm would gladly give him a handsome salary to become their permanent agent. Though he has had flattering offers from other educational institutions, he deems it his duty to remain in his present field of labor for a while longer. On June 20, 1885, he was married to Augusta, daughter of George Holley, of Farmington, Me. He has

four children; namely, Pansy, Rachel, George H., and Lauran L.

CAPTAIN EBEN L. HIGGINS, a retired ship-master of Eden, Hancock County, and one of the oldest surviving ex-members of the Maine legislature, was born where he now resides, April 8, 1808, son of Nehemiah and Ursula (Leland) Higgins. The grandfather, Levi Higgins, moved from Cape Cod to Mount Desert in 1767, when his son Nehemiah was two years old. Having settled in Eden as a pioneer, he acquired a large tract of land, and cleared and improved a good farm. Upon this property, which now constitutes the splendid estate owned by Mrs. Bowen, he resided for the rest of his life.

Nehemiah Higgins when twenty years old began to clear the farm on which his son now resides, first occupying a log cabin and later a one-story frame house. He improved a large portion of the property for tillage purposes, and carried on general farming and stock-raising until his death, which occurred in 1818 at the age of fifty-one years. Ursula Higgins, his wife, was a daughter of Lieutenant Ebenezer Leland, who served as an officer in the American army during the Revolutionary War and afterward settled on the Isle au Haut. Nehemiah and Ursula Higgins reared two sons—Eben L. and Benjamin L. Benjamin L. married Louisa Moxley, of Philadelphia, and had a family of twelve children. Of these, Ellen, Zenas H., Eben L., Frank, Lizzie, and Rose are living. Eben L., Benjamin's son, and

his wife are caring for the Captain in his old age.

Eben L. Higgins, the subject of this sketch, attended the district school until he was fourteen years old. Then his seafaring life began. At the age of sixteen he crossed the Atlantic, and he became a captain at twenty-four. His first voyage as master netted him two thousand five hundred dollars. During his successful career he visited ports in nine different countries and every important port of entry in the United States. At one time he owned an interest in seventeen vessels. In 1845 he erected his present residence, cutting the timbers on his own premises, and hewing and fitting them himself. Since he abandoned the sea, he has devoted his time to carrying on the homestead farm, a portion of which he sold advantageously to summer residents some time ago.

Captain Higgins married Hannah D. Hamor, of the well-known Mount Desert family. She became the mother of two children: Eveline C., who died at the age of twenty-one; and Ansel B., who was accidentally scalded to death when a year old. The Captain and his wife cared for and educated several orphan children of this locality. Mrs. Higgins died September 10, 1893, after a wedded life lasting nearly sixty-six years. The Captain was Town Treasurer for many years, and he also served in the capacities of Clerk and Selectman. At one time he held the three offices simultaneously, and it devolved upon him to receive and distribute the individual dividend declared during President

Jackson's administration. His first Presidential vote was given to Andrew Jackson in 1832. He was a member of the Maine legislature of 1839, which had to cope with the north-eastern boundary difficulty, known as the Aroostook War. The Democratic party has had his unwavering allegiance since he became a voter. Foremost in all movements designed to benefit the town, he was one of those who secured for it the Mount Desert Bridge. Of the original proprietors of the bridge he is the only survivor. Well preserved and active, he regularly attends the Episcopal church at Bar Harbor. In 1896 he presented the Baptist church of Eden with a bell, in memory of his father, mother, and wife, who were members of that church.

JOHAN R. POLLOCK, of Guilford, the agent of the Piscataquis Woollen Company, was born December 22, 1839, in Barrhead, County of Renfrew, Scotland, the youngest of the eight children and the seventh son of Robert and Helen (Ramsay) Pollock. The father, a native of Mearns, County of Renfrew, Scotland, was a relative of the poet, Robert Pollock, the author of the "Course of Time." His wife, Helen, who was born in the town of Shettleston, County of Lanark, Scotland, belonged to the well-known Scotch family of Ramsays, to which the world is indebted for another poet, Allan Ramsay. Both parents were strict Presbyterians, and died in that faith.

His father having died when he was two

years old and his mother when he was ten, John R. Pollock had to work for his living from his early boyhood. Influenced by an older brother, who was living in America, he left his native land on October 8, 1855, and arrived in Boston exactly a month later. He first found work in the Manchester Woollen Delaine Mills in Manchester, N.H., and remained there until 1860. He was then engaged as a wool sorter for the South Berwick Woollen Company at South Berwick, Me. In 1860, at the first call for troops, he went to Portsmouth and enlisted in Company K, Second New Hampshire Regiment. After serving for more than his term of enlistment he spent some time in Amesbury, Mass. He was then employed by Mr. Robinson, the proprietor of the Dexter Woollen Mills at Dexter, Me., and subsequently had charge of the woollen department of the Bates Mill in Lewiston. While he was there the Guilford Mills, which were afterward destroyed by fire, were erected and leased to a Mr. Taylor, who managed them for a short time. When Mr. Taylor vacated them, Mr. Pollock obtained a lease of them, and afterward successfully operated the plant for five years. He then leased a second mill at Orland, Me., and was requested by the selling agent to lease the woollen-mills at West Buxton for a short term of years. When the lease of the Buxton Mills expired, the Guilford Woollen Mill had become involved. Mr. Pollock, with some of the public-spirited citizens of Guilford, leased the plant, and soon had it in successful operation. During the last years of this lease the Piscat-

aquis Woollen Company was organized and put in working order. The company's officers are: J. R. Pollock, agent; H. Douglas, treasurer; and D. R. Straw, Z. L. Turner, M. L. Hussey, and F. S. Stevens, directors. The shares are evenly divided. Mr. Pollock superintends the works. He was also one of the leading men who established the First National Bank of Guilford, and is now one of the largest stockholders of the institution and a member of its Board of Directors. A typical self-made man, he is worthy of a place in the front rank of the business men of Piscataquis County.

Mrs. Pollock is a daughter of Joseph Jackson, late of Monson, Me. She and her husband took a trip to Scotland a short time since. While he has not forgotten the land of his birth, he is entirely loyal to his adopted country. He is a thorough Republican in both the partisan and general sense of the word, and a lover of the free institutions of America. He has taken an active part in all good movements pertaining to the advancement and growth of Guilford. Mr. and Mrs. Pollock had one child, William, who died in 1882, aged nineteen years. They have a pleasant home in the pretty village of Guilford.

HIRAM F. WEYMOUTH, Town Auditor of New Portland, son of Samuel and Fannie (Norton) Weymouth, was born in Freeman, Franklin County, Me., January 30, 1830. His grandparents, Samuel and Ann (Smith) Weymouth,

resided in Kennebunk, Lisbon, and Freeman. Grandfather Weymouth, who was a farmer, died in Freeman. The father, born in Lisbon, Androscoggin County, Me., conducted a store in the town of Freeman for about forty years. He died April 19, 1871, aged seventy-nine years. His wife, who was born in Edgartown, Dukes County, Mass., died in 1880. They had a family of eleven children, namely: Sophia, now residing at Fort Collins, Col., the widow of John H. Weymouth; Mary, residing in Melrose, Mass., the widow of Captain David K. Kenniston; Almira L., the widow of Amasa Niles, late of Freeman, Me.; Levi N., who died in Oregon in 1852; Hiram F., the subject of this sketch; Francis, who died in Abilene, Kan., about the year 1884; Charles D., who died in Somerville, Mass., in 1893; Emily V., who died in Exeter, N.H., in 1872; Elbridge G., who died young; Eugene S., residing on the old homestead in Freeman; and Josephine M., a resident of Revere, Mass., and the widow of John Yeaton.

Hiram F. Weymouth was educated in the common schools near his home and in the academy and high schools of Farmington, Kingfield, and Phillips, Me. While attending school he also taught for several terms. When he attained his majority he sought employment in Boston, Mass., and worked for a year in a lead-pipe factory. In 1851 he went to Port Byron, Ill., and was there engaged for six months in teaching school. He then made one of a company of twenty-six men who started for Oregon by the overland route.

They had thirteen wagons, one hundred and fifty head of loose cattle, and a few horses. They left Rock Island, Ill., March 30, 1851, for Iowa City, which was then the capital of Iowa. Thence they travelled to Cedar Rapids, Des Moines, and Council Bluffs; and on May 5, 1851, they crossed the Missouri River, en route to Omaha, Neb., which was then an Indian village. Buffalo were plentiful in the West at that time, and herds of one hundred or more frequently came in sight as they travelled through Nebraska. On July 4, 1851, they reached Fort Laramie, Neb. Thence they crossed the Rocky Mountains, and entered the Salt Lake valley. After travelling in the Utah valley for two hundred miles, they came to the junction of three roads, leading severally to Salt Lake City, Sacramento, and into Oregon. They penetrated to The Dalles, Ore., crossed the Cascade Mountains, and reached Salem, August 10, 1851. Among the stations at which they stopped were Fort Hall, Utah, and what is now known as Bois  City, Idaho. On the journey it was their custom, when camping for the night, to make a stockade of their wagons, in which the cattle were corralled to save them from marauding Indians. From Salem, Ore., Mr. Weymouth went to Wyreka, Cal., where he was for two years engaged in packing with mules. There was considerable trouble with the Indians during this time. From April, 1853, to March, 1854, he was with the party with which he had started out, mining on Greenhorn Creek. On April 1, 1854, they embarked in a steamer from a

point north of San Francisco, and, reaching San Juan del Sur, they crossed to Nicaragua Bay, took the San Maun River to San Juan del Sur, and thence travelled by steamer to New York City. Mr. Weymouth arrived in Freeman, Me., May 9, 1854. Shortly after his marriage he purchased a farm at East Wilton, Me., and devoted himself to its cultivation until 1864. He then sold it, and purchased the Captain Parker farm in New Portland, the second oldest homestead in the township. On this farm he has since made many improvements. He has some two hundred acres of good land in the homestead, and owns besides considerable timber and pasture land. He is engaged in general farming, stock-raising, and dairying to some extent, and transacts probate business in the town of East New Portland. He has been president of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of East New Portland for the past four years. Mr. Weymouth was one of the first to attempt to introduce the Spanish merino sheep in this township. At one time with three others he paid as high as a thousand dollars for a ram. In politics he is a Democrat. He was on the Board of Selectmen for eighteen years, and was chairman of the board for ten years. In 1892 he was elected Town Auditor. He represented this district in the State legislature in 1867 and 1868.

Mr. Weymouth was married August 8, 1854, to Susan H. Burbank, of Freeman, Me. She was born September 9, 1832, daughter of Nathan and Martha (Niles) Burbank. Mr. Burbank was a farmer of Freeman. Mrs.

Weymouth died March 9, 1893. She was the mother of the following children: Martha Ella, who lived but six years; J. Herbert, who died young; Leola F., now the wife of A. W. Starbird, a millman of Miami, Fla.; Fred A., residing in Huntington, W. Va.; H. Arthur, a ranchman of Arizona; and Frank L., who is with his father. On February 17, 1897, Mr. Weymouth was married to Mrs. Julia A. Farmer, of Temple, Me., a daughter of Joel and Deborah (Tripp) Chandler and the widow of A. W. Farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Chandler died in Temple. Mr. Weymouth is a member of Lemon Stream Lodge, No. 55, I. O. O. F., of New Portland. He attends service at the Union church in East New Portland, while Mrs. Weymouth is a member of the Baptist church.

DEACON IRA ROWE, one of Dover's able farmers, was born in this town, December 2, 1825, son of Ira and Jemima (Blake) Rowe. The first of the family to settle in Piscataquis County was James Rowe, Deacon Rowe's grandfather, who was a native of New Hampshire, and for a time resided in Waterville, Me. In 1810 he moved to Atkinson, and a short time later located upon a tract of wild land in South Dover. Grandfather Rowe's first habitation, mainly built of stakes driven into the ground, served him until he was able to erect a log cabin, which was finally succeeded by a substantial frame house. After clearing his farm he improved it as fast as circumstances

would permit; and he also engaged in cutting, hauling, and manufacturing lumber. In these early days Bangor, the nearest market and supply depot, was reached by a primitive road through the woods; and the settlers were forced to undergo many hardships in marketing their products and securing the necessities which they could not raise. On one occasion James Rowe, accompanied by his son, went to Bangor to collect some money due him, leaving his family without any meal, which was the principal article of the pioneer's larder. Not being able to find his debtor and knowing that the meal must be immediately forthcoming, he sought and found employment; and with the money so earned he purchased a sack of meal, which his son and another boy carried home, a distance of thirty miles. In spite of these drawbacks James Rowe became prosperous through his industry and perseverance, and lived to be seventy-two years old. He assisted in organizing the first Free Will Baptist society in Dover, and was one of the Deacons. In politics he was a Democrat, and he served as a Selectman and in other town offices. While residing in Waterville he married Hannah Hussey, and reared a family of ten children, none of whom are now living. His wife was about seventy-two years old when she died.

Ira Rowe, Deacon Rowe's father, was born in Waterville, January 27, 1798. He assisted his father in clearing the farm, acquiring a practical knowledge of agriculture, which he afterward followed with energy during his active years. He was one of the

organizers of the Free Soil party in Dover, and took a deep interest in political affairs. In religious belief he was a Free Will Baptist, and he served as the first clerk of that society in this town. He died October 4, 1887, aged eighty-nine years, eight months, and eight days. His wife, Jemima, who was born in Hampton Falls, N.H., January 12, 1799, became the mother of thirteen children, two of whom died in infancy. Those of them who lived to maturity were: Miranda, born February 10, 1821, who died March 11, 1892; James, born March 22, 1824, who died March 22, 1881; Ira, the subject of this sketch; Dearborn, born April 14, 1827, who resides in Minneapolis, Minn.; Jemima, born January 26, 1829, who is residing in Dover; Hannah, born October 28, 1830, who died November 21, 1855; Colby, born June 22, 1832, who is a resident of Kansas; John, born June 17, 1834, who resides in Foxcroft; Christina, born June 7, 1836, who died March 16, 1851; Harvey, born July 5, 1838, who lives in Minneapolis; and Joy, born November 27, 1840, who resides in the State of Washington. The mother died March 10, 1864, aged sixty-five years, one month, and twenty-eight days.

Ira Rowe, the subject of this sketch, completed his education with a short course at the Foxcroft Academy. He earned and gave to his father the sum of five hundred dollars previous to his majority. Subsequently he was engaged in farming and lumbering for himself. His first land purchase was an unimproved tract of one hundred acres. Later he

bought an adjoining tract of the same area, with good buildings. He resided in South Dover until 1896, when he moved to his present farm in Dover, containing one hundred and forty acres. The property, which he keeps under a high state of cultivation, contains well-constructed buildings. Politically, he acts with the Republican party, and he has been a member of the Board of Selectmen for five years. He is deeply interested in the moral and religious welfare of the community, and has been a Deacon of the Free Will Baptist church for a number of years.

In 1856 Deacon Rowe was joined in marriage with Elizabeth Hart, who was born in Atkinson, February 4, 1833, daughter of Peleg and Eliza (Dunning) Hart. Of this union were born three children, namely: William A., December 12, 1857, who died August 30, 1881; George L., December 9, 1858, who died December 28, 1883; and Eliza M., October 9, 1862. On August 28, 1886, Eliza M. Rowe married Herbert J. Merrill, a prosperous farmer of Garland. They have one son, George H. Merrill, born September 6, 1888. Mr. Merrill is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Dexter, and of the Patrons of Husbandry in South Dover.

GEORGE H. EATON, of the firm of Henry F. Eaton & Sons, lumber manufacturers and dealers in Calais, Me., was born March 14, 1848, in Milltown, N.B., a son of Henry F. and Anna Louisa (Boardman)

Eaton. He comes of ancient and substantial Colonial ancestry, being a direct descendant in the seventh generation of Jonas Eaton, who emigrated from England to Massachusetts somewhat more than two hundred and fifty years ago, about 1642, and with his wife, Grace, was living at Watertown in March, 1647, and not long afterward settled in Reading, Middlesex county, Mass.

Henry F. Eaton was born November 22, 1812, in Groton, Mass., where his parents, Jonas and Mary (Corey) Eaton, were residents for many years. His early educational advantages were such as were afforded by the country schools of his day. Naturally studious, with keen mental faculties, he, however, mastered far more than the common branches of learning, and in course of time became a schoolmaster of note, whose very presence indicated a man of dignity and mental attainments. Having natural musical ability and a sweet, strong voice, he took pleasure in instructing and leading the village choir of the Congregational church, with which he united, after making a public confession of faith, when but thirteen years old. On attaining his majority he established himself in the lumber business, having his mills on the St. Croix River and his home in Milltown, N.B. He bought standing timber, and went himself into the logging camps in order to become acquainted with every detail of the business. During the early part of his life as a lumberman he was a member of the firm of John McAdam & Co. His brother, Joseph E. Eaton, was for a time in partnership with

him, the firm name being Henry F. Eaton & Co.; and this firm had also a third-interest in the firm of James Murchie & Co.

Mr. Henry F. Eaton subsequently carried on his extensive operations in lumbering, manufacturing, and shipping alone, continuing thus until the spring of 1873, when two of his sons, George H. and Henry B., were admitted into partnership under the present firm name. He was uniformly successful in his labors, but accumulated the larger part of his wealth while conducting his affairs himself, his success being entirely due to a steady progression up the ladder of prosperity rather than by any sudden leap across the rounds, his gains being the natural result of persistent toil, judicious management, prudent expenditures, and wise investments. During the threescore years of his active labor his most disastrous loss was by the great fire in Calais, August 27, 1870. The kindly spirit ever existing between him and his employees was especially noticeable; and, though at times from three hundred to four hundred men were required to carry on his work, the utmost harmony prevailed in every department.

He was a man of fine physique, a lover of Nature in her every mood; and to the end of his life he remained true to the religious faith in which he was reared. On removing to Milltown he united with the Orthodox Church of St. Stephens, and in 1873 was elected Deacon, an office which he held until his decease, March 21, 1895, in Calais, whither he removed in 1889. A man of sterling integrity, true to the highest principles, he led a life

above reproach, and was deservedly honored and esteemed by all. Though never an active politician, he was always a strong Republican in his preferences and deeply interested in his native land. In 1842 he was united in marriage with Miss Anna L. Boardman; and, after travelling life's pathway together for nearly or quite half a century, they were not long separated by death, Mrs. Eaton being called to the great beyond just one week before her husband, on March 14, 1895. They had six children, as follows: George Howard, Henrietta May, Henry Boardman, Annie Kimball, Franklin Maynard, and Wilfred L. Eaton.

George H. Eaton, after attending the public schools of Milltown, entered Phillips Academy at Andover, Mass., where he was graduated in 1866. Four years later he received from Amherst College the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and the next two years he was employed in his father's office. Having then become somewhat acquainted with the details of the business, he and his brother, Henry B., were admitted as equal partners with their father; and from that time until the present the business has been carried on under the name of Henry F. Eaton & Sons. At the mills, which are located on the St. Croix River in Maine and New Brunswick, from two hundred to four hundred men are usually employed; and the twenty million feet of lumber annually manufactured is disposed of at markets along the coast between Calais and New York.

Mr. Eaton is a president and director of the

Calais National Bank, one of the incorporators of the Calais Savings Bank, a director in the Frontier Steamboat Company, president of the Calais Tug Boat Company, and also president of the Calais Tanning Company. He was one of the organizers of the St. Croix Shoe Company, of which he has been a director since its incorporation and the most of the time the president, a position which he now holds. He is a trustee of the Bangor Seminary, one of the corporate members of the American Board of Foreign Missions, one of the vice-presidents of the American Sunday-school Union, a trustee and director of the Calais Academy, and a trustee of the Public Library. He has no political aspirations, but uniformly supports the principles of the Republican party.

Mr. Eaton married August 22, 1871, Miss Elizabeth W., daughter of James Boyden. Her father was born in Beverly, Mass., and was graduated from the Harvard College Law School. He subsequently practised law in Amherst for a time, but removed to Chicago, where until his death, in February, 1892, he was a well-known attorney. Mr. and Mrs. Eaton have eight children; namely, George D., Elizabeth B., John B., Harris D., Anna L., Miriam B., Alice M., Louis W. John and Harris are pursuing their studies at Brown University, Providence, R.I. George D. is surveying in the woods of New Brunswick. The other children are all at home.

Wilfred Lynde Eaton, the youngest son of Henry F. and Anna L. (Boardman) Eaton, was born September 5, 1863, in Milltown,

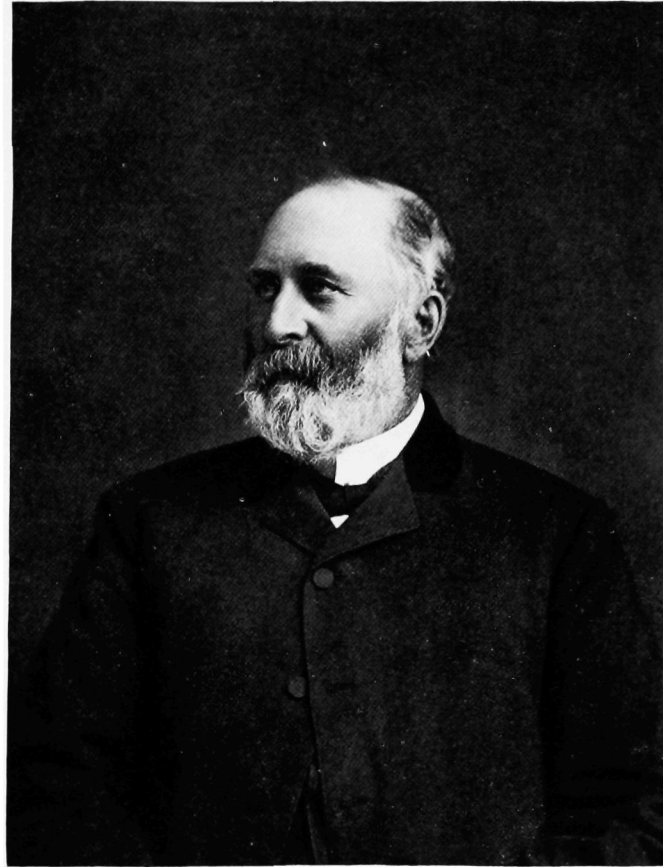
N.B., and was there bred and educated. On reaching man's estate he began working for his father as manager of a dry-goods and grocery store, a position which he held for some years; but at present he is not engaged in any line of business. He married Miss Alice P., daughter of Jesse Prescott, of Pennfield, N.B., and a niece of John Prescott, in whose sketch, which appears on another page of this volume, further ancestral history of the Prescott family may be found. One child has been born of their union, a son, who was named in honor of his grandfather, Henry Franklin Eaton.

LEWIS B. JOHNSON, the president of the Farmers' Bank at Houlton, Aroostook County, was born June 29, 1827, in Readfield, Kennebec County, son of Martin and Louisa (Blake) Johnson. Martin Johnson, born and bred in Massachusetts, removed in early manhood to Readfield, Me., where he was engaged in tilling the soil throughout the larger part of his active life. Having spent his last days in Littleton, Aroostook County, of which he was a pioneer settler, he died at the age of fifty-three years. To him and his good wife three children were born, namely: Henry, who died in 1844; Lewis B., the subject of this sketch; and Hiram, a resident of Colorado.

Lewis B. Johnson left school at the age of thirteen years to assist his father on the farm. In March, 1843, he removed with his parents to Littleton, which was then an almost un-

broken wilderness. This was two years after the first tree was felled, and when the buildings in Presque Isle comprised a hotel, a drug store, and a grist-mill. After the death of his father, which occurred in 1847, he began farming and lumbering in company with his brother, Hiram. Two years later he purchased his brother's interest in the land, and thenceforward conducted a substantial business alone for twenty-five years. He cleared a large tract of land. Also, in addition to tilling the soil and operating a saw-mill, he did a great deal of teaming between Bangor and Presque Isle for twenty years, employing three teams on the route, which he owned. Each year, however, much wood was cut, and new settlements were formed; and, before two decades had passed, he had witnessed many wonderful transformations in the face of the country. In 1871, having by thrift and good management acquired a competency, he removed to Houlton, where he has since been a useful and respected citizen. He has dealt largely in real estate, making a specialty of old houses, which he thoroughly repaired and fitted up for tenements. The latter business, besides being remunerative to him, has also effected palpable improvements in the town. On January 2, 1890, assisted by Mr. A. B. Page, he organized the Farmers' Bank, of which he has since been the president.

Mr. Johnson has served Littleton in most of its town offices. He was its First Selectman from its incorporation until after the close of the Civil War; and he was County Treasurer for four years and Sheriff for six years,



LEWIS B. JOHNSON.

serving in the latter office during the agitation of the liquor question. A strong Republican, he is active in politics. Having united with the Congregational church many years ago, he is one of its most faithful supporters. By his marriage with Miss Sarah Stackpole, he became the father of three children. Of these the only survivor is Alice B., the wife of George W. Pray, of Gardiner, Me. The mother died in 1876. A second marriage on May 21, 1878, united Mr. Johnson with Miss Emily M. Stackpole, a cousin of his first wife and a daughter of Dr. Isaac S. Stackpole, of Albion, Me.

HORATIO KNOWLES, ex-Postmaster of Shirley, Piscataquis County, was born in Corinna, Penobscot County, November 7, 1838, son of John and Mary P. (Palmer) Knowles. The Knowles family sprung from four brothers, Englishmen, two of whom settled in Maine and two in New Hampshire. John Knowles, Sr., the grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was an energetic, progressive farmer of Corinna. He had five sons and three daughters, who attained maturity; namely, John, Robert, William, Charles, James, Susan, Lydia, and Louisa. These have all passed away.

John Knowles, Jr., who was born in 1808, was a hard-working and enterprising man. While engaged in agriculture, he also followed other kinds of business. Much of his life was passed in Corinna. In politics he was a Whig and a Republican, in religious

belief a Universalist. He died at the age of seventy-seven. His first wife, the mother of the subject of this sketch, died at the age of forty-seven. A second marriage united him with Miss Maria Fletcher, of Troy, Me. His children were: George Henry, deceased; Charles, a farmer of Corinna; Horatio, deceased; Horatio (second), the subject of this sketch; John, deceased; Preston, a farmer of Corinna; James, residing in Foxcroft, now a Deputy Sheriff; Fred, son of the second wife, a merchant of Portland; Susan, deceased; Mary, residing in Corinna; and Sarah, in Pittsfield, Me. All the sons except Fred were children of his first wife.

Horatio Knowles was reared and educated in Corinna. In October, 1861, he enlisted in Company K, Eleventh Maine Regiment, and afterward participated in the battles of Yorktown, Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, and in the Seven Days' Fight. Honorably discharged on account of physical disability in December, 1862, he enlisted again in October, 1863, in the Second Maine Cavalry. During his last term of service he was in several skirmishes, but no important engagements. While in the army he suffered all the hardships incident to a soldier's life, and his health was so seriously undermined that he never recovered. When finally discharged in December, 1865, he returned home and was engaged in farming in his native town for a while. Then for some time he worked in factories in Massachusetts. In November, 1875, he took charge of the Shirley House in this town, which was under his management for the following ten

years. In 1884 he opened a general store here, and in 1885 he sold the Shirley House. He is now the oldest merchant in the town. A Republican in politics, he was Postmaster of Shirley for twelve years. He is an active, brainy man, who has achieved success by his own efforts.

On January 1, 1861, Mr. Knowles was married to Susan F., daughter of Calvin and Susan (Gregory) Sweet, born in Levant, Penobscot County. Two children have blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Knowles: Leslie M., who died at the age of twenty-five; and Charles H., a clothier and tailor residing in Foxcroft. Mr. Knowles is a member of Gerry Post, No. 5, G. A. R., of Monson.

THEODORE H. WYMAN, the proprietor of the oldest general store in Sebec and an ex-member of the legislature, was born in this town, April 13, 1852, son of Theodore and Caroline (Ford) Wyman. The paternal grandfather, Major Abraham Wyman, a stone mason and contractor, erected many buildings in this State and in the Province of New Brunswick during his business career.

Theodore Wyman, born in Bloomfield, Somerset County, January 25, 1810, was educated at the Bloomfield Academy. For a short time after the completion of his studies he was employed in his father's building operations. In 1832 he came to Sebec, where he formed a partnership with J. W. Jewett in a general mercantile business, firm of Jewett & Wyman, which continued for seven years.

Subsequently he was associated with William P. Lamson. From 1847 to 1874 he conducted business alone. Then his son, Theodore H., was admitted to partnership, under the firm name of T. Wyman & Son. The senior partner was actively connected with the business until 1880. A man of sound judgment and good business ability, he was relied on by his neighbors for advice and assistance in case of emergency; and he was universally esteemed for his nobility of character and gentle disposition. He was Town Clerk for thirty-four years and the Postmaster for thirty years, and for a period he represented his district in the legislature. In politics he supported the Whigs until their dissolution, when he joined the Republican movement, and thereafter firmly upheld the principles of that party without sacrificing the respect and good will of those who differed from him. While he never affiliated with any religious organization, he was a stanch Universalist in belief. At the same time he entertained the most profound respect and sympathy for the Church in general, and contributed liberally toward its support. He died at his home in this town, March 14, 1895, aged eighty-five years, and was buried with Masonic rites. In 1858 he was made a Mason in Piscataquis Lodge, Milo, over which he was later called upon to preside as Worshipful Master. Caroline Wyman, his wife, a daughter of Captain Abner Ford, of Sebec, born May 11, 1822, whom he married in 1842, became the mother of seven children. Of these, five are living, namely: Mrs. John W. Freese, who resides

in Cambridge, Mass. ; Mrs. Eugene Barry and Lizzie M. ; Edward Wyman, who resides in Lynn, Mass. ; and Theodore H., the subject of this sketch. Mrs. Caroline Wyman died in 1877, aged fifty-five years and twenty-nine days.

Having received his education in the common schools and at the Foxcroft Academy, Theodore H. Wyman entered his father's store as a clerk. He was later admitted to partnership, and since 1880 he has been sole proprietor of the establishment. He carries a large stock of general merchandise, including everything usually kept in a first-class country store; and his reputation for honesty and fair dealing enables him to maintain a numerous patronage. He possesses considerable mechanical ingenuity, which he has applied to the improvement of the steam-boiler, and as a result has invented and patented what is known as "Wyman's Safety Water Tube Boiler." He has been Town Clerk for sixteen years, and is now serving his seventeenth year in that capacity. In 1891 he was a member of the legislature. He received his first appointment as Postmaster from President Harrison, and has been reappointed by the present administration. Politically, he is a Republican.

On May 31, 1877, Mr. Wyman was united in marriage with Alice M. Snow, a daughter of E. P. Snow, M.D., of Atkinson. Mrs. Wyman is the mother of three children, namely: Eugene B., born April 4, 1882; and Edwin T. and Caroline H., twins, born October 9, 1886. Mr. Wyman has been a member

of Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44, F. & A. M., since October, 1873. In religious belief he is liberal.

CAPTAIN NATHAN D. KING, a representative of one of the original families of Lamoine, Hancock County, and formerly a master mariner for many years, was born December 3, 1842, in the part of Trenton now called Lamoine, son of the late Nathan King. The paternal grandfather, John King, came here from Saco, York County, at a very early day. In the trying years that followed, besides clearing his land, he helped to lay out highways between Trenton and Ellsworth. Among the children born to him and his wife, whose maiden name was Betsey Lord, were: Nathan, the father of Nathan D.; and John, who preached at the Lamoine Baptist church during his career as a minister, and who was the father of Eben H. King, of whom a brief biography appears on another page of this work.

Nathan King, born on the old King homestead at Trenton Point, was there brought up to farming. Tilling the soil at intervals, he also followed the sea for a large part of his life, engaged in the coasting trade. He married Flora Deloney. Their children were: Sarah F., who died in 1874; Cordelia, who died at Eureka, Nev.; William R., who is a resident of Tremont, Hancock County; Nathan D., the subject of this sketch; Thomas I., who died in the West Indies at the age of twenty-one years; and George E., who owns and occupies the old homestead.

After completing the district-school curriculum Nathan D. King followed the bent of his natural inclinations by becoming a sailor. At all times fearless and faithful, he gradually worked his way up from the lowest position on board ship until he became the captain of a vessel at the age of twenty-four years. While actively engaged in commerce, Captain King visited nearly all the important ports of the world. Though he has not been to sea for the past ten years, he is still interested in vessels engaged in South American and European trade.

Captain King has devoted much of his leisure to looking after the material interests of the town, giving good service as Selectman and secretary of the Board of Health. In politics he affiliates with the Republican party. On August 5, 1871, he was united in marriage with Laura F., daughter of Edward and Margaret (Berry) Huckins, natives of Trenton.

JOSEPH A. LEE, for many years president and cashier of the Calais (Me.) Bank, was born in Bucksport, Me., on July 19, 1808, son of Joseph and Priscilla (Sparhawk) Lee. He was a representative of the sixth generation of the family founded by John Lee, who was born in England about 1600, and who became one of the twelve men who under the leadership of John Winthrop, Jr., settled Agawam, or Ipswich, Mass. John Lee was a man of means, and, as the inventory of his estate includes a buff coat, pistols, musket, sword, and belt, is believed to have

been an officer in the English army before coming to this country. He married Anne Hungerford, also from England, and had a family of six children. His son Joseph, who was born at Ipswich in 1643 and died in 1716 in Concord, Mass., married Mary Woodis, whose father, Henry Woodis, Esq., had been a friend and neighbor of John Lee while in England. Mr. Woodis had settled on a fine tract of land in Concord, and at his earnest request Joseph Lee went to that town and took charge of the farm. This estate remained in the Lee family until 1815. By his first marriage Joseph Lee had eight children. His second wife was the widow Mary Niles Wigley, and the third was the widow Mary Fox.

Dr. Joseph Lee, son of Joseph, first, above named, was born in Ipswich in 1680, and died at Concord in 1736. He was a physician, and served during several expeditions in the Queen's navy. He occupied the Lee house on the Woodis farm, and increased the area of the estate to three hundred and seventy-five acres. He married Ruth Goodnow, of Sudbury, who bore him twelve children.

Of these, Joseph, third, who was born at Concord in 1716 and died there in 1797, was educated as a physician and surgeon. He inherited a large part of his father's estate, and made large additions to it. He appears to have been a man of decided opinions and of great force of character, and was among those who opposed the settlement of the Rev. William Emerson over the First Parish Church in Concord. Remonstrances proving of no avail, Dr. Lee with others formed a new organiza-

tion, called in derision the "Black Horse Church," as it held its meetings in a tavern in front of which hung the sign of a black horse. When the war broke out the Doctor upheld the royalists, and for a brief time was imprisoned for his efforts to give information to the English officers. His wife, Lucy Jones, bore him seven children.

The fourth Joseph Lee, son of the above Joseph and grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was born in 1742 or 1743, and died in 1819. He was ordained in 1768 over the church at Royalston, and continued in charge of it until his death. The first of his three wives, whose maiden name was Sarah Barrett, bore him seven children; the second, Lucy Jones, bore him three. His third marriage was contracted with Mrs. Hannah Farrar.

Joseph Lee, fifth of the name, who was born at Royalston in 1773 and died in 1861, was a merchant, and traded in different towns in Maine. He married in the year 1800 Priscilla, daughter of the Rev. Ebenezer and Naomi Hill Sparhawk, of Templeton. Eight children were the fruit of this union; namely, Sarah Howard, Mercy Abigail, Priscilla Naomi, Joseph Apollos, Eliza Sparhawk, Elizabeth Sparhawk, Martha Laurens, and Ellen Maria.

Joseph Apollos Lee, the subject of this sketch, spent his early life in Maine. This section of the country was devastated by the British in the War of 1812, and so great was the poverty of the people of the region that Mr. Lee never saw wheat bread until he was nine years of age. When quite a young man

he went to New Orleans on a coasting-vessel, and for the few succeeding years remained in the South, trading with the Indians on the Gulf shore. Returning to Calais in 1832, he settled here, and for three years was clerk in a store. When the Calais Bank was organized, Mr. Lee became its cashier; and this responsible position he held for forty years, or until within a year before his death. To the duties of cashier he added in 1866 those of president; and this office also he held until the time of his death. In 1850 he started an insurance business, which he carried on as long as his health permitted. He was one of the most indefatigable business men in Calais. He was president for a number of years of the Gas Company, for a number of terms was in the city government, and also served as a member of the legislature. Politically, he was a Whig in the beginning of his career, but later joined the Republican party. He was a prominent Odd Fellow. Mr. Lee died on January 4, 1880. He was twice married. His first wife, who was before her marriage Mary L. Sawyer, of Calais, was born in Winchendon, Mass., on January 16, 1814, and died on September 29, 1849. She was the mother of the following-named children: Phœbe Sawyer, now deceased, who was the wife of Willard King, of Calais; Elizabeth Sparhawk, who is the widow of Charles Newton, of Calais; Mary Ellen, now deceased, who was the wife of Charles Ladd, of Minneapolis, Minn.; Joseph Wood, an Episcopalian clergyman at Bristol, Pa.; William Howard, who resides in Augusta; Almedia Townsend,

who is now deceased; and Clara Greenleaf, who is the wife of Frederick Smythe, of Napa, Cal. The maiden name of Mr. Lee's second wife, whom he married on August 28, 1856, and who survives him, was Isabella Theobald. She is the daughter of Dr. Philip Ernst Theobald, of Wiscasset, Me., and a grand-daughter of a Dr. Theobald who came with the Hessian troops from Frankfort on the Main and was a surgeon in Burgoyne's army. At the battle of Saratoga, Dr. Theobald was taken prisoner; but he was paroled, and he subsequently settled in Lincoln County, Maine, where he became preacher and physician to the Germans. Mrs. Isabella T. Lee is a member of the Congregational church.

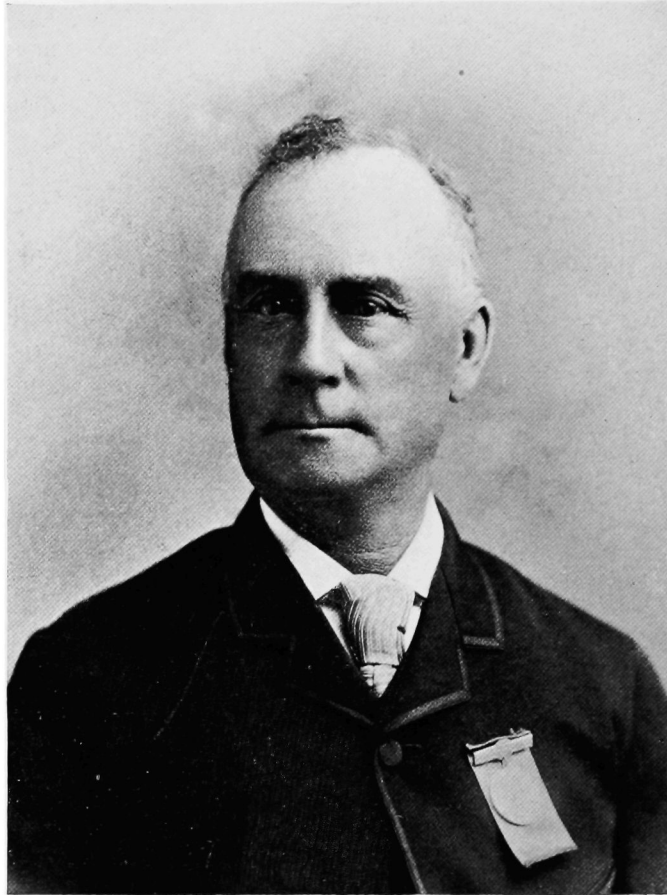
Mr. Lee's only child by his second marriage, Ernst Theobald Lee, was born in Calais on September 20, 1861, and was killed by the explosion of a fire extinguisher, August 22, 1898. He was educated in the public schools of Calais, at a private academy here, and at a preparatory school in New Haven, where he remained a year. Upon the death of his father he succeeded to the business, having previously been an assistant in his father's office. He was for five years Captain of Company K of the Second Regiment of State militia, and at the time of his death was ex-Lieutenant Colonel of the regiment. He was well known in this section of Maine, where he had made a number of important insurance adjustments. He was also a member of St. Croix Lodge, I. O. O. F. In this he was a Past Grand, and was Past

Grand Master of the Grand Lodge and Past Grand Representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge. In politics he was a Republican. From 1890 to 1896 he served on the Board of Aldermen. Mr. Ernst T. Lee married Anne L., daughter of Charles F. Washburn, of Calais.

REV. EUGENE GAUTHIER, pastor of the Church of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary at Caribou, Aroostook County, Me., is a Canadian. He was born on April 3, 1866, in Manitoba, where his parents, Azarie and Philomena (Bourboniere) Gauthier, went from Montreal, their native city. In Manitoba they settled upon a farm, and also kept a boarding-house.

Azarie Gauthier's first wife died November 13, 1866, and he married for his second wife Sophronia Cote, of Montreal. Of his first union were born four children; namely, Andrew, Arthur, Philomena, and Eugene. Andrew Gauthier is a trader in Manitoba, Arthur is a conductor on the Canadian Pacific Railway, and Philomena resides with her younger brother in Caribou. The two surviving children of the second union, Tancrede and Annie, reside at home with their parents in Manitoba.

Eugene Gauthier obtained his elementary education in the schools of St. Hyacinthe, later attending St. Boniface College; and he was graduated from the University of Manitoba in the class of 1887. His theological studies were pursued at the Montreal Seminary, and after a three years' course there he



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was ordained to the priesthood in Manitoba, March 20, 1891. In 1893 he went to New Orleans, La., where he had charge of a church for a year, at the end of which time he returned North, and, becoming connected with the Diocese of Maine, was for the succeeding two years assistant pastor of St. John's Church, Bangor.

On November 3, 1896, he began his duties in Caribou as pastor of the Church of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, built under the direction of the Rev. Father Pineault in 1886. At the time of its dedication the parish had a regular membership of but sixty-five families. Since then it has increased to two hundred and ten families, all of whom reside in Caribou. The parish is in a most flourishing condition, and some time since the pastor completed a handsome parochial residence located near the church.

FRANKLIN B. FERGUSON, M.D., an able physician and surgeon of Deer Isle, Hancock County, was born where he now resides, April 19, 1828, son of Benjamin F. and Harriet (Cross) Ferguson. The father, who was a native of Bedford, N.H., and a clothier by trade, came to Maine for the purpose of engaging in the manufacture of cloth. After residing in Frankfort for a time, he located on Deer Isle in 1826. Here he followed his trade to some extent, but his chief business was that of a merchant, at which he continued for many years. He died in his eightieth year. Possessing consider-

able natural ability and sound judgment, he was called upon to fill various town offices, and to represent his district in the legislature. Harriet Cross Ferguson, his wife, who was a native of Newburyport, Mass., reared three children — Elizabeth, Laura, and Franklin B. Elizabeth married Eben E. Raynes, of Deer Isle, and has two sons — Bentley H. and William P. Raynes. Laura, after marrying Henry Torrey, died leaving two children — Harriet and George Torrey.

Franklin B. Ferguson acquired his early education in the common schools and at Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass. After reading medicine with Dr. Collins, of Deer Isle, for about four years, he attended lectures at the Bowdoin and Harvard Medical Schools, graduating from the former in the class of 1852. Beginning practice in Steuben, he remained there two years. Then he returned to Deer Isle, where he has since followed his profession. For a number of years, besides attending to his patients, he has carried on a drug store. He is a member of the State and county medical societies, of the American Medical Association, and the International Medical Congress. In politics a Democrat, he cast his first Presidential vote for Franklin Pierce in 1852, and he served with ability for a time on the Board of Selectmen. An esteemed member of the Masonic fraternity, he was Master of a Blue Lodge for several years.

Dr. Ferguson married Mary G. Haskell, whose father, Thomas Haskell, represented one of the most prominent Deer Isle families, and whose grandfather was an extensive real

estate owner in his day. Mrs. Ferguson is the mother of six children; namely, Frank E., Mary F., Lena Estella, Priscilla D., Myrtie, and Charles A. Ferguson. Frank E., who resides in Chelsea, Mass., married Hortense Orcutt, and has two children—Eugene and Florence. Lena Estella married S. Z. Dixon, and resides in New Jersey. Priscilla D. married Frank E. Hardy, of Deer Isle, and has two children—Frank and Lena Hardy. Myrtie, who is the wife of William Brimegeon, resides at Stonington. Her children are: Charles and an infant. Charles A. Ferguson is unmarried.

FRANK S. STEVENS, of Guilford, Piscataquis County, one of the proprietors of the Piscataquis Woollen Mills, was born in this town, March 23, 1848. A son of Benjamin and Jane B. (Sanders) Stevens, he is a grandson of Moses Stevens, one of the pioneers of Guilford. Moses Stevens, born in New Gloucester, Mass., came to this locality about the year 1815. He owned much of the land on which the town of Guilford is built. In politics he was a Whig, in religious belief a Universalist. He died in Guilford at the age of sixty-eight. His wife, whose maiden name was Susan Wharff, lived to an advanced age. They had a family of twelve children; namely, Joseph, Moses, Isaac, David, Anthony, Benjamin, Samuel, Lydia, Bashabee, Fidelia, Phœbe, and Judith. Phœbe is the wife of Simeon Richardson, of Parkman.

Benjamin Stevens, born in Litchfield, Ken-

nebec County, was a farmer of Guilford, and died here at the age of seventy-three. In politics he was a Republican, and he was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife, a native of Bucksport, Hancock County, also lived to be seventy-three years old. They reared six children, namely: Samuel, a resident of Sangerville; Frank S., of Guilford; Clara A., the wife of Tristram Warren, also of this town; Lizzie E., the wife of Frank Pelkey, residing in Sangerville; Alice J., the wife of William Sanders, in this town; and Bertha M., the wife of John Starbird, in Parkman, Me.

Frank S. Stevens was educated in the schools of Guilford. When he attained his majority he left home, and for fourteen years was engaged in sewer and paving work in Boston and Cambridge, Mass. He resided in Boston from 1869 to 1895. In 1883 he started in business as a contractor for railroad, paving, and sewer work, and afterward received a large amount of street railroad work in Boston, Lowell, Worcester, Lynn, and Fall River. His contracts covered from two hundred and fifty thousand dollars to one million dollars per year. He was in active business as a contractor until 1896. In 1895 he moved back to his native town, where he has since erected a handsome residence. He also owns a row of model tenement buildings, which are among the best in this locality. With a real estate office in Cambridge, Mass., he has considerable property in that vicinity. He is a director of the Piscataquis Woollen Company in Guilford.

Mr. Stevens was married at the age of twenty-four to Allie E. Dudley. Her parents, John S. and Philena (Stain) Dudley, of Readfield, Kennebec County, died some time since. No children have been born of the marriage. In politics Mr. Stevens is a Republican. He is a member of Mount Kineo Lodge, F. & A. M., of this town, and belongs to Good Cheer Lodge and Moosehead Encampment, I. O. O. F. Both he and Mrs. Stevens attend the Universalist church. The family residence, surrounded by beautiful grounds, is one that he may well be proud of. Few business men have achieved such marked success in so short a time as Mr. Stevens.

HON. MARCELLUS L. HUSSEY, of Guilford, Piscataquis County, who represents this district in the Maine legislature, was born in Sangerville, this county, June 29, 1847, son of Daniel W. and Mary E. (Stackpole) Hussey. Daniel W. Hussey, a native of Maine, besides successfully conducting a farm, has taught for an extended period, having had charge of sixty or seventy schools. During the Civil War he was paymaster's clerk in Washington. He has resided in Sangerville for over half a century. An active member of the Republican party, he has represented this district in the legislature; and he has served on both the Sangerville Board of Selectmen and the School Committee. He is a member of Mount Kineo Lodge, F & A. M., of Guilford. In religious belief he is a Universalist.

His wife, Mary, a native of South Berwick, York County, has had four children, namely: Oscar, who lived but nine years; Howard W., now residing in Guilford; Marcellus L., the subject of this sketch; and Charles O., in Sangerville.

Marcellus L. Hussey was educated in the public schools of Sangerville and at the Guilford High School. He went to work at the age of eighteen as clerk in the store of Henry Douglass in this town. Subsequently he was a partner of Mr. Douglass for thirty years. He was also interested in the old Guilford Woollen Mills. When the Piscataquis Woollen Company was organized he became a member, and he is now a director of the corporation. The mills, which were built in 1881 and opened in 1882, are now in a prosperous condition. They manufacture Scotch tweeds, cashmeres, and other woollen goods for men's and women's wear. The incorporators of the company were: Mr. Z. L. Turner, president; D. R. Straw, secretary; Henry Douglass, treasurer; John R. Pollock, superintendent; and M. L. Hussey and Frank S. Stevens, directors. Lumbering has also been carried on by Mr. Hussey for some time.

Mr. Hussey married Sarah E. Douglass, a sister of Henry Douglass. He has no children. An active member of the Republican party, he has been in the legislature since 1896. First appointed Postmaster of Guilford by President Harrison, he has been reappointed by President McKinley. For three years he was Master of Mount Kineo Lodge, F & A. M. He also belongs to St. John's

Commandery in Bangor; and he is a member of Good Cheer Lodge, I. O. O. F., of this town. In religious belief he is a Universalist.

ZADOC L. TURNER, of Guilford, Piscataquis County, the president of the Piscataquis Woollen Company, son of Howard and Betsey (Sargent) Turner, was born in Parkman, this county, August 6, 1838. Howard Turner was a native of the town of Turner, Oxford County, and his wife of Gloucester, Mass. (For further particulars concerning the Turner family see biography of Z. L. Turner's brother, Robinson Turner.)

Zadoc L. Turner grew to manhood in Parkman. He acquired his education in the public schools of Guilford and at Foxcroft Academy. For some time after leaving school he was engaged in clerking, and for a number of years he was the proprietor of the Turner House in Guilford. Eventually he sold the hotel to his brother, who is the present proprietor, and turned his attention to general farming. He owns considerable land in Guilford. The company of which he is the president is one of the most flourishing concerns in the county, and has done much to promote the growth of Guilford. The mills give employment to one hundred and twenty-five hands.

In 1864 Mr. Turner was first married to Samantha Bates, who died without issue in 1867. On December 25, 1872, he was again married, this time to Jane L. Piper, a native of West Gardiner, Me., and a daughter of the Rev. Artemas M. and Betsey (Stevens) Piper.

Mr. Piper was a Baptist clergyman. His widow is living in Guilford. Mr. Turner has one son by his second wife, Charles Piper Turner, who was born January 20, 1874. He is the book-keeper in the mills of the Piscataquis Woollen Company. Mr. Zadoc L. Turner is a Democrat. In religious belief he is a Universalist.

HENRY DOUGLASS, of Guilford, Piscataquis County, the treasurer of the Piscataquis Woollen Company, son of George H. and Sarah (Edes) Douglass, was born in his present place of residence, July 21, 1838. George H. Douglass, born in Litchfield, Me., in 1807, was engaged in trade when a young man in Centre Guilford, and also was employed in surveying. In 1854 he moved to Guilford, where he afterward managed a general store up to the time of his death. A staunch Democrat, he was a Selectman for many years, and he was a member of the Universalist church. He died in 1865. His widow resides in Guilford village. Three children were born to them, namely: Henry, the subject of this sketch; George, who died in infancy; and Sarah E., the wife of Marcus L. Hussey, one of the directors of the Piscataquis Woollen Company.

Henry Douglass was educated in the public schools of Guilford and at Skowhegan Academy. Afterward he was in California for a while, and subsequently was clerk in his father's store. In 1866, after his father's death, he took charge of the business. He

had managed it for nearly thirty years when he disposed of it in 1894. He now gives his whole attention to the business of the woollen company. This company, having a large factory in Guilford, manufactures a variety of woollen goods for men's and women's wear. Mr. Douglass is an able business man, and has the confidence and esteem of all who know him.

On November 29, 1866, Mr. Douglass was married to Ellen M., daughter of Stephen and Almeda (Robinson) Ellis and a native of Guilford. Mr. Ellis was one of the sturdy pioneers of Guilford, who started with a log cabin in the wilderness, and established a comfortable home. Mrs. Douglass is the mother of one child, Carroll S. The family also includes an adopted daughter, Maud Ellis Douglass. Mr. Douglass is a Republican, and has served for one term on the Guilford Board of Selectmen. A Mason of Mount Kineo Lodge, he has taken all the degrees up to St. John's Commandery at Bangor; and he is a member of Good Cheer Lodge, No. 37, I. O. O. F., of this town. He attends Sabbath worship at the Universalist church.

JOHAN M. HILTON, a well-known and prominent citizen of Somerset County, is now living retired from active pursuits in the pleasant village of Madison. Born December 30, 1836, in Anson, Me., he is a son of Edgar Hilton, a lifelong resident of that town. His paternal grandfather, Benjamin Hilton, was born and reared in Martha's

Vineyard. When a young man, Benjamin became a pioneer of Anson, Somerset County, settling on land in the southern part of that place. He was a man of push and enterprise, and in addition to farming and lumbering he carried on a prosperous business as a blacksmith for many years. His wife, whose maiden name was Betsey Mantor, bore him eight children, of whom James, Samuel H., Benjamin, Elijah, Edgar, and Angeline are deceased. The survivors are: Mary, the widow of the late Jesse C. Athearn, who now lives in South Anson; and Joshua, a resident of Anson, whose wife, Susan Moore Hilton, died about ten years ago.

Edgar Hilton improved a fine farm in Anson, becoming one of the most successful agriculturists of his neighborhood. A man of sterling integrity, he won the respect of all with whom he came in contact; and, though not active in politics, he exerted a good influence in the community. He lived to a ripe old age, passing away August 26, 1886. He married Adeline Moore, also a native of Anson, where her death occurred July 26, 1868. They reared seven children, as follows: Benjamin, who married Ellen Fletcher, a resident of North Anson, and died in 1896; John M., the subject of this sketch; Columbus, now living on the old homestead in Anson, who married Dorema Dennis; Perry, who resides in Tucson, Ariz., where he has a large ranch, and is extensively engaged in stock-raising; Francis, a farmer in Anson, who married Helen Luce, of Industry, Me.; Eva, who lives in Readfield, Me.; and

Cephas M., the proprietor of the Weston House at Madison, Me., who married Flora Atkinson, of North Anson.

John M. Hilton spent the earlier years of his life on the old home farm, acquiring his education in the district schools. He then began his independent career as a tiller of the soil, and until 1892 was engaged in general farming in Anson. Desiring a change of occupation, he then disposed of his estate, and he and his brother Cephas took charge of the Weston House in Madison, remaining there until December 7, 1896. Then, selling his interest in the hotel to his brother, he retired to private life, locating in the village of Madison, where he has a most pleasant and attractive home. Since attaining his majority he has been identified with the Democratic party, and taken an intelligent interest in local affairs. He served as Selectman in Anson in 1869, 1886, and 1888, besides which he has filled many offices of less importance. He is an Odd Fellow, belonging to Indian Spring Lodge, No. 115, of Madison; and he is also an ex-member of Kennebec Lodge, No. 128, P. of H.

On January 1, 1860, Mr. Hilton married Miss Vesta Getchell, of Anson, Me., a daughter of Isaac and Catherine (Savage) Getchell. Her father, a farmer by occupation, who was born in Litchfield, Me., removed to Anson in early life, and married while there. Neither Mr. Getchell nor his wife is living, his death having occurred November 30, 1893, and hers March 6, 1869. They were the parents of four children, namely: Elizabeth, the wife of

David Longley, of Solon, Me.; Vesta, now Mrs. Hilton; Alden, a millwright, living in Anson, who married first Miss Laura Titus and after her death Miss Lillian Babcock, who is also deceased; and Mark, a lunch dealer in Thompsonville, Conn., who married Miss Adelaide Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Hilton have an adopted daughter, Maude B. Hilton. Mrs. Hilton is an active member of the Congregational church.

HON. RANSFORD W. SHAW, attorney-at-law, a prominent citizen of Aroostook County, Maine, residing at Houlton, the county-seat, is a native of Centreville, N.B. He was born on June 3, 1856, a son of E. W. and Elizabeth (McClintock) Shaw and the second of a family of eight children.

In 1857 his parents removed to Mars Hill, Me., and there he acquired the rudiments of his education. Later he fitted for college at Houlton Academy and at the Maine Central Institute in Pittsfield, partly paying his expenses by working out of school hours. While yet a student he began to be actively interested in political movements, and during the Garfield campaign he was often called upon to take the stump. On account of failing health he was forced to abandon his anticipated course of study and go to Colorado, where he was engaged in railroad work for three years. Diligent and thrifty, he accumulated some money, and, having recovered his physical vigor, he then returned East.

Settling in Houlton, he read law, and after his admission to the Aroostook County bar in September, 1886, he here began the practice of his profession, starting in a career in which he has met with flattering success.

Mr. Shaw is held in high esteem as a citizen, and in the many important offices which he has been called to fill he has invariably performed the duties devolving upon him most creditably and acceptably. From 1888 until 1892, four years, he was Register of Probate for Aroostook County. In 1892 he was elected to the State Senate, and in 1894 he was re-elected to serve in the same body. During the first term he was one of the Committee on Legal Affairs, and in the second term he was chairman of that committee. He is a zealous worker in the temperance cause and the exponent of the prohibitory law here.

Mr. Shaw is deeply interested in educational matters. He is one of the trustees of the Maine Central Institute and a warm friend of Bates College. He was one of the four enterprising men who opened up Highlands, an addition to the village of Houlton, and he has also been identified with other local improvements. Fraternally, he is a Royal Arch Mason, a Knight Templar, a Knight of Pythias, an Odd Fellow, and a member of the Independent Order of Foresters. He is a member of the Free Baptist church, which he liberally assists in supporting.

Mr. Shaw and Mary M. Drake, daughter of George Drake, of Houlton, were married on September 10, 1879. They have four children.

WILLIAM S. MCKUSICK, a successful and progressive farmer of Parkman, son of William and Mary (Keene) McKusick, was born in Limerick, York County, on July 23, 1831. His emigrant ancestor was one John McKusick, who came from Scotland, bringing with him his wife, Mary Barker McKusick, and three children — John, Matthew, and Mehitable. All the children settled in York County. Matthew, who was the great-grandfather of William S. McKusick, settled in Biddeford. He was the father of ten children, of whom Zebediah, the grandfather of William S., was the eldest. Zebediah's wife, who died at the age of eighty-two, was before marriage Charlotte Tarbox, of Biddeford. He removed to Limerick with his family, and died there at the age of eighty-seven. His seven children were: William, Betsey, Olive, Mary, Lucinda, Charlotte, and Nahum.

William McKusick, the eldest son of Zebediah, was a farmer. He settled in Parkman in 1840, on the farm now occupied by his son, coming here from Limerick. At that time the farm was in a wild, uncultivated state. A man of great energy, enterprising, and active, William soon made many changes, and reduced to a state of cultivation a large part of his six hundred acres. In the town he was a Selectman, and he served in other public positions. At first a Whig in politics, he later became a Republican. In religious belief he was a Baptist and a member of the Free Will Baptist church of this place. He died in 1858. His first wife, Mary, who died

on February 16, 1835, bore him eleven children — Susan, Hannah, Mary, Lydia, Elizabeth, Charlotte, Nahum, Ami, Levi, William S., and Noah. His second wife, who was before her marriage Lydia Fogg Clark, died on May 25, 1885. Her children by him were: James, Charles, Polly A., and Phœbe. Of the fifteen children, Charlotte, Nahum, William S., Noah, Charles, and Phœbe are living.

William S. McKusick received his early education in Parkman, to which he came when a boy. Having assisted his father in clearing the farm for a time, he left home at the age of twenty. He worked in factories and mills for some years in different towns of the State. Returning here in 1856, he bought some land, and began farming. His present farm, containing three hundred and twenty-five acres of land, was purchased in 1858. The soil being of excellent quality, he often obtains good crops when his neighbors are unsuccessful. He carries on general farming, and keeps from twenty to twenty-five head of full-breed Jersey cattle.

On May 30, 1854, Mr. McKusick was united in marriage with Sarah Estes, a native of Troy, Me. Born on August 21, 1831, she died on June 17, 1894. Mr. and Mrs. McKusick were the parents of six children, one of whom died in infancy. Those living are: Nettie L., Minnie I., James L., Esther J., and Mamie E. Nettie L., born on March 1, 1858, is the wife of Martin E. Drake, who was born in Parkman, August 1, 1861, and is now a resident here. Mr. and Mrs. Drake

have no children. Minnie I., born on April 30, 1861, who now lives in Benton, Me., married Charles F. Barton, a photographer of that town, and has one son, Ralph S. Barton. James L. McKusick, born on July 12, 1865, residing in Greenville, M., and following the occupation of guide, is unmarried. Esther J., born on November 25, 1866, is the wife of Herbert Maston, a clerk residing in North Anson. Mamie E., born on May 20, 1873, is unmarried, and resides with her father. Mrs. McKusick was a member of the Baptist church. Her husband, though sympathizing with the views of that religious body, is not a church member. In politics he is a Republican. He is warmly interested in local affairs, and he served as County Commissioner from 1889 to 1894.

FRANK NELSON, cashier of the Calais National Bank, was born in Bangor, Me., January 4, 1837, son of Samuel and Cynthia (Aldrich) Nelson. He is a descendant in the eighth generation of Thomas Nelson, who emigrated from Rowley, Yorkshire, England, with the party of colonists organized by the Rev. Ezekiel Rogers in 1638.

It is supposed that Thomas Nelson spent the first winter in Salem, on the north shore of Massachusetts Bay, and in the spring of 1639 joined his associates at Rogers Plantation, later incorporated by act of the General Court as Rowley, now a well-known town of Essex County, Massachusetts. Thomas Nel-

son was made a freeman May 23, 1639, was Deputy to the General Court in 1640 and 1641, and was made chairman of a committee to survey the town and lay out and register house lots in 1643. In October, 1644, he was licensed to solemnize marriages in Rowley, and in January of the same year the town granted to Thomas Nelson thirty-six acres of land located in the mill fields. Ten acres of this was offered him especially for the purpose of encouraging the establishment of the weaving industry; and he erected at a point just above tide-water a fulling-mill, said to have been the first of its kind in New England. This establishment furnished employment for many of the settlers who had been clothiers in the old country. The site is still occupied by mills; and as late as 1868 the property was owned by Nathaniel N. Dummer, a descendant of the family of which Joan Dummer, Thomas Nelson's wife, who was a daughter of Thomas Dummer, was a representative.

Sergeant Thomas Nelson, the next ancestor in the line now being considered, was born in England in 1638. He married Ann, daughter of Francis Lambert, December 16, 1659, and died April 5, 1712. Gershom Nelson, son of Sergeant Thomas, was born July 11, 1672, and died September 14, 1727. His son Nathaniel was born April 22, 1701, and he died January 6, 1783. On April 15, 1725, Nathaniel Nelson married Deborah Chapin, born July 14, 1704. They became the parents of six children, the second of whom and the eldest son was Captain Gershom Nelson, who was born July 29, 1729, and died in October,

1813. Samuel Nelson, Sr., son of Captain Gershom and grandfather of Frank Nelson, was born September 21, 1760. He served in the Revolutionary War, where he acquired the title of Colonel. He married Sally Torrey, and resided in Milford, Mass. His children were: Newell, born March 20, 1784; Emily, born July 18, 1786; Samuel, born in Milford, October 17, 1789; Joseph, born December 29, 1791; Stephen Torrey, who was born October 31, 1796, and died September 18, 1798; and Nathaniel Torrey, born November 15, 1799.

Samuel Nelson, son of Colonel Samuel and Sally (Torrey) Nelson, lived in his native town until 1815, when he went to Hallowell, Me., where he was engaged in trade until 1836. Going then to Bangor, he was for some years a merchant in that city. From Bangor he removed to Portland, where he entered politics, and held various civic offices, including that of City Marshal. His last days were passed in Texas with his son Albert. He died June 22, 1863. Samuel Nelson was a member of the Masonic fraternity.

On December 6, 1812, he married Cynthia Aldrich, daughter of George and Mary (Bowen) Aldrich. On the paternal side she was a descendant of George and Catherine Aldrich (or Aldridge), the former of whom was made a freeman at Dorchester, Mass., in 1636. He died March 1, 1682. Jacob Aldrich, son of George, was born February 28, 1658, and died October 22, 1695. Moses Aldrich, the next ancestor in this line, son of Jacob and his wife, Huldah, was born April 1, 1690, and died September 9, 1761. He

married Hannah White on April 23, 1711. George, second, son of Moses and Hannah Aldrich, born January 15, 1715, married Abigail Keith, and died July 14, 1797. George, third of the name in the ancestral line, son of George, second, and Abigail, was born October 17, 1763, and died October 19, 1845. His wife was Mary Bowen. Their daughter, Cynthia, Mrs. Nelson, was born on January 21, 1794. She died January 5, 1885. Samuel and Cynthia (Aldrich) Nelson were the parents of nine children, eight of whom lived to maturity, namely: Albert A., who was born May 15, 1814, and died September 24, 1892; Charles Henry, who was born October 13, 1815, and died September 8, 1845; Caroline A., born December 9, 1817, now the widow of Joshua F. Richards, and residing in Portland; Horatio, born October 16, 1819, died April 28, 1852; Samuel N., born February 19, 1822, died in December, 1835; Mary B., born March 13, 1825, died November 4, 1827; Mary Louisa, born December 26, 1828, now the wife of Edwin A. Marrett, of Portland; George, born January 26, 1831, died October 21, 1848; and Frank, the subject of this sketch.

Frank Nelson attended the public schools of Bangor until 1847, when his parents removed to Portland; and he completed his education at the high school in that city. Entering the telegraph service as a messenger in January, 1851, while still a youth he became competent to receive and transmit messages. He was stationed successively in the offices in Portland, Boston, and New York, until 1854,

when he was placed in charge of the Calais office. In that capacity he continued until severing his connection with the company some two and a half years later. He next went to Boston, where he was employed for a time as book-keeper for a large grocery house, and in 1860 he returned to Calais for the purpose of engaging in business in partnership with Gilbert H. Foster. The firm of Foster & Nelson here carried on an extensive general store until 1866, when Mr. Nelson withdrew in order to accept the treasurership of the St. Croix & Penobscot Railroad Company, to which he had been elected, at the same time entering the Calais National Bank as a clerk. Since January 1, 1869, he has occupied the responsible position of cashier of the bank. He has been a member of the Board of Directors most of the time, was for a number of years president of the Calais Savings Bank, a director of the St. Croix Shoe Company, and trustee and treasurer of the Calais Academy. In politics he is a Republican, and is quite active in local affairs. He served in the Common Council in 1875, was elected to the Board of Aldermen in 1876, and subsequently re-elected four years. He is a Notary Public.

Mr. Nelson and Henrietta Brewer Foster, daughter of Gilbert Foster, of Calais, were united in marriage on August 30, 1859. They have had six children. Two of them died in infancy, one being a daughter named Mary Louise, born May 4, 1868, who was taken from their home August 23, 1869. The four now living are: Frank Aldrich, born January 13, 1861, residing in Boston; Eleanor Foster,

born February 18, 1863; Kate Winthrop, born June 26, 1874; and Edwin Marrett Nelson, born December 12, 1876, who is a student at Bowdoin College, class of 1899.

Mr. Nelson has been president of the St. Croix Club since its organization. He is a liberal contributor to the support of the Congregational church, and the family are regular attendants.

VOLNEY A. GRAY, an extensive fruit-grower of Dover, Piscataquis County, and a Civil War veteran, son of Levi and Betsey (Harlow) Gray, was born in Sangerville, Me., May 13, 1842. The father, a native of Paris, Oxford County, was for a number of years engaged in trade in Bucksfield. From that town he moved to East Sangerville, and was a pioneer in this section. He cleared and improved a farm of one hundred and fifty acres, upon which he erected substantial buildings and successfully conducted general farming. Originally a Democrat, in his later years he differed from some of that party's principles, and joined the Republican party. His religious belief was the Universalist creed. He died in Sangerville when about ninety years old, and his wife, who was born in Bucksport, passed away at the age of ninety-three. They were the parents of nine children, five of whom are living, namely: Albert Gray, of Newport, Me.; Britiana, who resides in Guilford and is the widow of Aaron Jackson; Frank, also a resident of Guilford; Emily, the widow of Cyrus Brockway, late of

Dexter, Me.; and Volney A., the subject of this sketch. The others were: Diantha, Albion, William, and Amity.

After completing his education at the Foxcroft Academy, Volney A. Gray was engaged in teaching school and assisting his father upon the farm until the breaking out of the Rebellion. In 1861 and again at the expiration of his first term he enlisted in Company I, Ninth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, under Captain Baker, of Bangor. He participated in twenty-five different engagements, including those at Strawberry Plain and Cold Harbor; the assaults on Fort Wagner, S.C.; Glen Plain, Drury's Bluff, Hatcher's Run, Va.; Deep Bottom, Chapin's Bluff, and Petersburg. He was a Sergeant during his first term. After re-enlisting he was promoted to the rank of First Lieutenant, and he had command of Company E from October 18, 1864, until the close of the war. He was wounded at Fort Wagner and Cold Harbor, and was finally discharged in July, 1865. While upon a furlough home in 1864, he bought his present farm of two hundred and twenty-five acres. Since his return to civil life he has resided in Dover. Besides carrying on general farming, he cultivates an orchard of one thousand trees, comprising several choice varieties of winter fruit, and he is said to be the largest fruit-grower in Piscataquis County. He was formerly engaged in the milk business, and supplied a large number of regular customers in the two villages. Since relinquishing his route he has reduced the number of his stock to about ten head.

On August 25, 1869, Mr. Gray was joined in marriage with Melissa J. Brockway, a native of Sangerville, born July 13, 1844. He has now three children: Elton W., born July 6, 1870; Ralph V., born April 9, 1874; and Lena M., born April 15, 1882. A Republican in politics, he has been a member of the Board of Selectmen for five years, and he was a County Commissioner for three years. He has occupied the principal chairs of Kineo Lodge, No. 64, and Eldorado Encampment, No. 20, I. O. O. F.; is connected with the Lodge of Rebecca; is a comrade of Doughty Post, G. A. R.; and was for two years Master of the Foxcroft Grange, Patrons of Husbandry. Religious services are attended by him at the Universalist church.

JOHN FRANCIS SPRAGUE, attorney-at-law, Town Agent of Monson, Me., and a prominent member of the Piscataquis County bar, was born in Sangerville, Me., July 16, 1848, son of Elbridge Gerry and Sarah (Parsons) Sprague. He is a descendant in the seventh generation of William Sprague, who was born in England in 1609, arrived at Salem in 1629, lived a few years at Charlestown, Mass., and about 1636 settled at Hingham, Mass., and died in 1675.

John Sprague, son of William, was born at Hingham, Mass., in 1638, removed to Mendon, that State, and died in 1683. William Sprague, second, son of John, was born in 1679; and William Sprague, third, born at Mendon in 1719, was an early settler in

Greene, Me. James Sprague, son of William, third, and grandfather of John F. Sprague, was born at Mendon in 1750. He accompanied his parents to Greene, where he followed general farming for the rest of his life. He served as a soldier in the Continental army during the Revolutionary War. He married Mary Bartlett, of Newton, Mass., and had a family of eight children.

Elbridge Gerry Sprague, the father above named, son of James, was born in Greene in 1793. When a young man he entered mercantile business in Bath, Me., being later engaged in the same pursuit in Georgia. He finally settled upon a farm in Sangerville. Politically, he supported the Republican party, and in his religious opinion he favored the Second Advent doctrine. Sarah Parsons, whom he married October 22, 1847, was a native of Jay, Me., and at that time a resident of Sangerville. They had one son, John F., the subject of this sketch. Elbridge Gerry Sprague died December 2, 1867, at the age of seventy-four years. Mrs. Sarah P. Sprague afterward married Benjamin Walton, of Paris, Me., and died in Abbot, Me., in 1877. She was a member of the Congregational church.

John Francis Sprague received a public-school education, and in 1872 began the study of law with Alvah Black, of Paris Hill, Oxford County, Me. After his admission to the Piscataquis County bar in February, 1874, he located in the town of Abbot, this county, where he remained four years; and since 1879 he has conducted a profitable general law business in Monson. He took an active in-

terest in securing the construction of the Monson Railway, and he has been a director as well as clerk and attorney of this corporation ever since it was organized.

Mr. Sprague's public services have been varied and marked by an earnest desire to support only such measures as seemed best calculated to protect and forward the general interests of the people. He has at different times served with ability as Selectman, Town Clerk, and member of the School Board, and is now serving his nineteenth successive year as Town Agent or law officer of the town. He was elected to the legislature for the years 1885-86, being a member of the Legal Affairs and the Fish and Game Committees. In 1888 he was appointed by Acting Governor Marble a member of the committee to audit the state treasurer's accounts, and was again a member of the House of Representatives in 1893-94, serving on the Judiciary Committee. In politics he has always been an active Republican, and was a member of the Republican State Committee for four years.

For the past fifteen years he has been connected with the Maine Historical Society, for which he has written some interesting papers pertaining to the early history of Piscataquis County, and he is the author of biographies of several local celebrities, including James Stuart Holmes, "the pioneer lawyer of Piscataquis County"; Augustus G. Lebroke; Louise Annance; Alexander Greenwood; and Thomas Davee. He prefers above all other pastimes fishing and hunting. He has assisted in framing some of the most important

of the game laws of this State, is a charter member and officially connected with the Maine Sportsmen's Fish and Game Protective Association, and has contributed timely articles to *Forest and Stream*, the *Maine Sportsman*, and other periodicals. In 1896 he was prominently mentioned as a candidate for chairman of the Maine Fish and Game Commission, and received a strong support from all parts of the State for this position. Mr. Sprague is also interested in agricultural pursuits, being quite an extensive farmer.

He is a member of Doric Lodge, F. & A. M., a history of which he has written and published. He is a charter member of Onoway Lodge, I. O. O. F, of Monson; and was a charter member of Good Cheer Lodge, of Guilford; and is also a charter member of Moosehead Encampment, of Guilford. He has recently been appointed by the United States District Court of Maine Referee in Bankruptcy for the District of Piscataquis. Mr. Sprague has never married.

M & J. HUDSON, Guilford, Me.—
The well-known and enterprising firm which carries on an extensive business under the above named style is composed of Micajah and James Hudson, natives of this town. They started in trade in 1880 in a building erected the previous year. Owing to their large patronage their varied stock of merchandise is frequently replenished. They are heavy buyers of country produce, handle large quantities of hay, straw, grain,

and feed, and are interested in manufacturing industries. The Hudson Brothers are the sons of the late Henry Hudson, a prominent lawyer of Piscataquis County and a wealthy citizen of Guilford, who died June 24, 1877. An account of their parents will be found in a sketch of their brother Henry, which appears elsewhere in the REVIEW.

Micajah Hudson was born November 23, 1855. He acquired his education in Guilford, and began his business career at an early age. Aside from his connection with the Guilford concern he is treasurer of the Dews Woollen Mill at North Dexter. On January 22, 1876, he married Mabel M. Packard, daughter of Levi Packard, of Parkman. Of this union has been born one daughter, Lettie E. Micajah Hudson has served as a Selectman in Guilford and in Abbot, and has been treasurer of the last named town. He is a liberal contributor toward the support of the Methodist Episcopal church.

James Hudson was born October 22, 1857. He attended the Foxcroft Academy and Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and has been in business since 1878. He has rendered much valuable assistance to the firm in building up its trade. He is a director of the Dews Woollen Mill at North Dexter, is connected with the mills in this town, and was interested in the Guilford Novelty Works during the existence of that enterprise. He was Postmaster eight years and Assistant Postmaster four years. He has been Town Clerk fifteen years in succession, and served as Constable two years. On February 5, 1878,

James Hudson married Ida M. Bennett, daughter of C. B. Bennett, M. D., one of the first settled physicians in Guilford. Mr. and Mrs. James Hudson have three children, one son and two daughters; namely, Cary M., Martha M., and Lura B. Hudson.

The Hudson brothers are Democrats in politics. They are both members of Mount Kineo Lodge, F. & A. M.; and James Hudson is connected with the chapter in Dover, St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, Bangor, and Kora Temple of the Mystic Shrine, Lewiston.

GALEN KINCAID, a prominent farmer in Madison township and a worthy representative of one of its early families, was born November 5, 1832, on the farm he now owns and occupies, and which was formerly the home of both his father and grandfather, each of whom bore the name of Reuben Kincaid. The grandfather, a native of Wiscasset, Me., removed to Somerset County when a young man, settling first in Skowhegan and a short time later in Madison, where he bought the land now included in the farm of his grandson, Galen Kincaid.

Reuben Kincaid, Jr., who was born in Madison, November 14, 1801, having become the possessor of the ancestral home, resided there until his demise on July 31, 1883. He was a prominent Mason. He learned the trade of a stone-cutter in his early days, and among the important buildings he assisted in erecting were four jails in this State,—one in Paris, one in St. Johns, one in Augusta, and the fourth

in Farmington. He married Hannah Hamlet, a native of Solon, Me., born March 2, 1810, a woman of unusual energy, who, having lived to a good old age, passed away August 4, 1880. Their children were: Caroline, born June 24, 1828, who is the widow of John Parker, and lives in Madison, not far from the old homestead; John H., born August 12, 1830, who married Helen Savage, resided near the home farm, and died September 25, 1897; Galen; Seth, born April 8, 1835, who married Ella Decker, of Brighton, Me., and is a retired carpenter and contractor in Lawrence, Mass.; Benjamin F., born February 7, 1838, now a carpenter at Derry, N.H., who married Lucy Smith; Phœbe J., born June 27, 1841, who married Edmund Bradbury, a teamster in Benton, Me., and died in Madison, August 9, 1884; William Dexter, born August 13, 1847, who died at the age of four years; William Dexter (second), born August 12, 1851, who married Mamie Kittredge, and is now a machinist at Derry, N.H.; Cora M., born March 2, 1854, who married the late Fred Burgess, of Methuen, Mass., and died September 20, 1895; and Reuben, who died in infancy.

Galen Kincaid acquired his first knowledge of books in the district school, and on the homestead his first lessons in agriculture. Since the death of his father he has had the charge of the home farm, which now contains two hundred acres of land, much improved by the sturdy efforts of his grandfather, father, and himself. Keeping a small dairy in connection with general farming, he has met with a fair share of prosperity. Among his heir-

looms is a family clock, made at least one hundred and twenty-five years ago, and which has been on the present homestead for a full century. It was formerly owned by his grandfather, who gave it to his son Reuben, from whom Galen received it.

On January 1, 1872, Mr. Kincaid married Miss Nettie Rowell, a native of Solon, Me., born June 23, 1844. Her father, Zebedee Rowell, was a native of Solon, where he improved a good farm, on which he resided until his death. His father was one of the early settlers of this section. Mrs. Kincaid's mother, in maidenhood Sarah Ayer, was a native of Bethel, Me. Mrs. Kincaid is well educated, and in her younger days was a most successful teacher of Somerset County, having had charge of schools in various towns in this vicinity. She and her husband have one child, Bertha May, an accomplished young lady, born August 11, 1877.

GEORGE DOWNES, a prominent young attorney of Calais and a member of the firm of Downes & Curran, insurance agents, was born in Machias, Me., December 23, 1868, son of the Hon. Lemuel Grosvenor and Augusta Hale (Wadsworth) Downes. His father was a son of the Hon. George Downes, and his mother was the daughter of Lewis L. Wadsworth, of Pembroke, Me., a distant kinsman of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, the poet, both being descendants of Christopher Wadsworth, an early settler of Duxbury, Mass.

The Hon. George Downes, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was a son of Shubael Downes, who was one of the original proprietors of Township No. 5, the site of the present city of Calais.

From the Bangs Genealogy, by Dean Dudley, we learn that Shubael Downes, born in 1741, son of Samuel and Temperance Downes, married in 1775 Lydia Bangs, daughter of Benjamin and Desire (Dillingham) Bangs, her father being of the fifth generation in descent from Edward Bangs, who came over in the "Ann," one of the "forefather ships," in 1623, and who is said to have married a daughter of Robert Hicks, one of the passengers in the "Fortune" in 1621.

George Downes, son of Shubael, was born in Walpole, Mass., August 29, 1793. He was left an orphan at an early age, but not before he had begun to feel the moulding influence of affectionate parental solicitude, and especially that of a pious mother, to whose prayers and moral instruction he always delighted in attributing whatever there was in his nature worthy of being considered good and noble. Through self-denial, coupled with his own exertions, he fitted for college at Phillips Andover Academy, and was graduated from Harvard University with credit. Choosing the legal profession, he completed his preparations, and, having inherited a large tract of wild land in Maine, including a portion of the then rising town of Calais, he determined to settle among the pioneers of this locality; and, arriving here in 1816, he was the first regularly established lawyer. He later formed

a partnership with James S. Cooper, under the firm name of Downes & Cooper, which eventually acquired an extensive practice, including a large share of patronage from Boston speculators, and, being successful in business as well as fortunate in his real estate interests, which increased in value owing to the rapid growth of the town, he became one of Calais's most wealthy citizens. He was the first president of the Calais Bank, serving in that capacity from the time of its organization in 1832 until the approach of old age compelled him to relinquish the heavier business responsibilities which he had ably and faithfully borne for so many years; and he was succeeded by his son, Lemuel G. Downes.

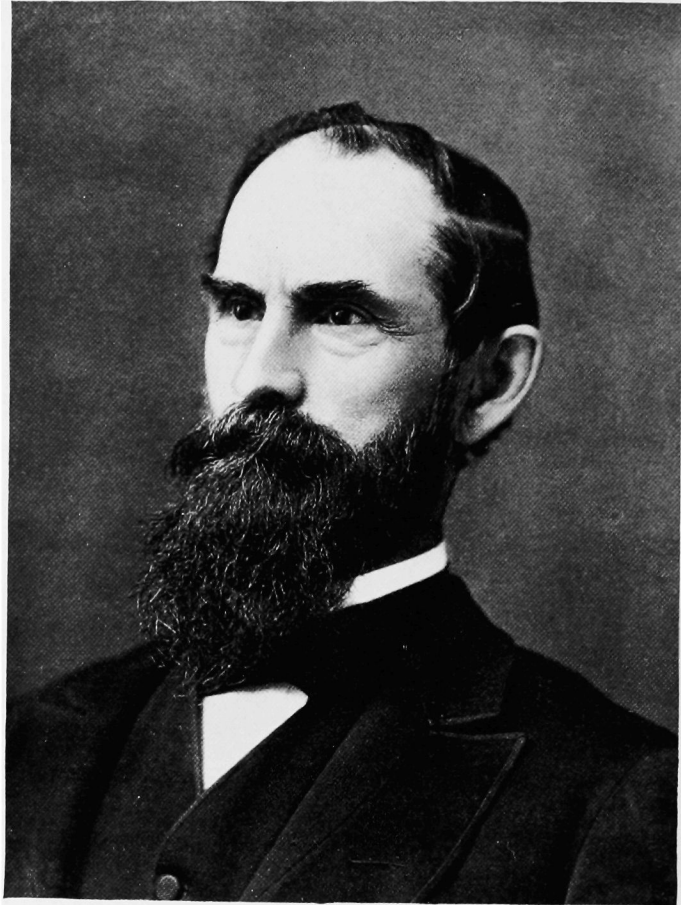
In his younger days the Hon. George Downes took an active part in public affairs, serving as Representative and State Senator; and, when Calais was incorporated as a city in 1850, he was chosen its first Mayor. Politically, he was previous to 1856 a staunch Whig, which accounted for his failure of election to the National House of Representatives, his party being in the minority when he was a candidate for that office; and, when the Republican movement absorbed the Whig element, he rallied to its support. He was one of the first advocates of temperance, and approved of prohibition, but his sound judgment as to the means of obtaining the most beneficial results led him to entertain conservative opinions in regard to its enforcement. On May 28, 1828, he united with the Congregational church, of which he was principal Deacon for a period of thirty years; and for nearly a generation he

was superintendent of the Sunday-school. He gave liberally of his means to the support of religious and charitable objects, giving for years the compensation he received as president of the bank toward paying his pastor's salary. Nor was his generosity confined to his own denomination, as he frequently contributed to the assistance of other churches. Educational affairs were to him an object of particular interest, especially the growth and prosperity of Bowdoin College, of which he was for some years an overseer; and as a trustee of the Bangor Theological Seminary he extended considerable financial aid toward its support. In pecuniary matters he was neither a hoarder or a spendthrift, but exercised a judicious discrimination in the distribution of his beneficence, which enabled him to place it where it would accomplish the most good. Above all, he dearly loved the place of his adoption, sparing neither time nor money nor personal effort to promote the prosperity and intelligence of the community; and to his praiseworthy example the citizens of Calais are mainly indebted for the reputation they now enjoy as a thrifty, public-spirited, and benevolent people. The Hon. George Downes died October 4, 1869, aged seventy-six years. He was married in 1821 to Betsey L. Danford, of Wiscasset, Me., and was the father of thirteen children.

The Hon. Lemuel Grosvenor Downes, A.M., father of the subject of this sketch, was born in Calais, October 26, 1839. He was graduated at Bowdoin College in 1860, and after his admission to the bar in 1863 he set-

led for practice in Machias. In 1871 he returned to Calais, where he rapidly acquired a large and lucrative general law business, and, associating himself with George A. Curran in 1880, established the insurance agency of Downes & Curran, in which his son is now a partner. He was successful in this venture, building up one of the largest agencies in Eastern Maine; and he was also financially interested in other enterprises. He was president of the Calais National Bank; president of the Maine Water Company, which was organized to furnish cities and towns with water-works; president of the St. Croix Shoe Company; and director and solicitor of the St. Croix & Penobscot Railroad Company. In politics he was a Republican, and, being an active and able business man, was naturally an eligible candidate for public office. He served as a member of the Executive Council for eight years; was elected Mayor in 1876; and in 1889 he accepted the City Treasurership, which he held until his death. He was a member of St. Croix Lodge, F. & A. M., and of the Chi Psi and Phi Beta Kappa Societies of Bowdoin College. He attended the Congregational church. The Hon. Lemuel G. Downes died December 5, 1895, having survived his wife, Mrs. Augusta Hale Downes, who died in May, 1888, a little more than seven years. They had two children: Maria Augusta, wife of John Hodgins, of Ottawa, Canada; and George, the subject of this sketch.

George Downes began his education in the public schools of Calais, subsequently attended



EUGENE F. COLLINS.

ity, industry, and good judgment. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Foresters of Wilton. Politically, he is a Republican.

In 1881 Mr. Ranger was united in marriage with Georgia Hooper, a native of Saco, Me., daughter of John Hooper. Mr. and Mrs. Ranger attend the Baptist church. They have two children — Harold and Ruby.

EUGENE F. COLLINS, a prosperous merchant of the village of North Anson, Somerset County, son of James Collins, was born in this town, December 31, 1828. The father, born in Weare, N.H., whence he came to Anson in the year 1800, was a hat-maker by trade. He subsequently worked as a cloth-dresser for a while, after which he opened a general merchandise store in this locality. He had the distinction of being appointed the first Postmaster of Anson, an office which he and his son, Rodney, held for forty consecutive years. A man of thrift and industry, he acquired considerable property. On his retirement from mercantile pursuits he bought a farm, also a saw and grist mill, about a mile north of the village. His death occurred in 1847, when he was seventy-three years old. He was Captain of a company of State militia and a member of the Governor's Council. His wife, born in Norridgewock, Somerset County, whose maiden name was Martha Gilman, surviving him, attained the age of fourscore years. Of their twelve children, Eugene F. and Mary

are living. Mary is the wife of a farmer, Hiram Dunbar, resides in the village of Anson, and has one child, Frank Dunbar, M.D., who is a physician in Boston.

Eugene F. Collins was bred and educated in North Anson. At the age of seventeen he went to Skowhegan, Me., where he served a three years' apprenticeship at the tailor's trade with the firm of Willis Currier. From 1850 to 1852 he was in business as a tailor on his own account. Then he went to California, where he spent two years mining for gold. From California he returned to Anson, and engaged in business as a merchant tailor and a dealer in ready-made clothing, hats, caps, etc., and soon had a thriving trade. In 1877 he built his present store, where he has since successfully continued the same business, carrying a complete assortment of gentlemen's finishing goods, and having the only establishment of the kind in Anson. Another source of income to him is a pad for horses' feet, known as the "Collins's Eureka Soaking Pad," which he invented and patented, and which has found great favor among numerous horse owners and dealers, and is sold in all parts of the Union.

Mr. Collins was united in marriage March 27, 1850, to Miss Frances Bickford, of Skowhegan, Me., a daughter of the Rev. Samuel and Sarah Bickford, the former of whom was a minister of the Christian church. Mrs. Collins passed to the higher life January 28, 1885, leaving two children — Georgie and Ben S. Georgie, born in 1852, is now the wife of Dr. Walter E. Harvey, of Cambridge,

Mass., and has one daughter, Frances Harvey. Ben S., born in 1857, is a prominent business man of Anson, being an attorney, an insurance agent, and a lumber manufacturer and dealer. He married Miss Flora Parlin, of Norridgewock, Me., and now has two children — Nellie and Ben S. Collins, Jr. Mr. Eugene F. Collins is a straightforward Republican in politics, but has never been active in public life. He is a Mason, belonging to North Star Lodge, No. 28, F. & A. M., of Anson; to Somerset Chapter, R. A. M.; and to De Molay Commandery, of Skowhegan. An attendant of the Congregational church, he generously contributes to the maintenance of the society.

EUGENE H. PUSHOR, the proprietor of a flourishing drug business in Caribou, Aroostook County, son of Timothy and Elvira (Patten) Pushor, was born in Pittsfield, Me., February 25, 1856. His grandfather, David Pushor, was an early settler in Pittsfield. The father, who was a native of that town, spent the greater part of his active life in farming and lumbering. He tried his fortune with some success in the gold diggings of California, but returned to his native town at the end of two years. His death occurred in 1860. Elvira Pushor, his wife, who was born in Skowhegan, Me., May 5, 1816, became the mother of ten children, namely: Timothy, who went to California; David, who died in Dakota in 1893; Harris Pushor, M.D., who married Mary Haskell, of Palmyra,

Me., and was a prominent physician of Pittsfield, where he died March 8, 1895; Philena, the wife of G. C. Runnells, of Caribou; Betsey, the wife of Charles Dustin, of Pittsfield; Ida, who died at the age of twenty-five years; Sophronia, who died young; Eugene H., the subject of this sketch; Ernest, who died at the age of four years; and a daughter who did not grow up. The mother is still living, and resides at the homestead in Pittsfield. From the common schools Eugene H. Pushor went to the Hartland Academy, and completed his studies at the Maine Central Institute in Pittsfield. He learned the drug business with A. W. Miller, of Hartland, and afterward had charge of his brother's store in Pittsfield for two years. Then he went to the Black Hills, South Dakota, where he was in the cattle business for a time and still owns a ranch. After returning home he was engaged in the drug business in Pittsfield until 1880, when he came to Caribou. Here he fitted up a first-class pharmacy in the Clark Block, and has since conducted a profitable business. His store is well equipped as to furnishings and appointments, and contains a full line of drugs, chemicals, patent medicines, fancy goods, stationery, paints and oils, cigars and tobacco. The most careful attention is given to physicians' prescriptions.

On March 17, 1880, Mr. Pushor was united in marriage with Ida M. Call, of Pittsfield, a daughter of George and Margaret Call. Her father is a farmer. Her mother died some time ago. Mr. and Mrs. Pushor have no children. Mr. Pushor has been successful in

business. Besides his drug store he owns several valuable farms. He is an advanced Mason, being a member of Meridian Lodge, Pittsfield; of Garfield Chapter, Caribou; and of the commandery in Houlton. He is also connected with Aroostook Valley Lodge, I. O. O. F.; and with Linden Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Caribou.

ARDELL C. CURTIS, of Wellington, Me., County Commissioner of Piscataquis County, was born April 19, 1846, on the old Curtis farm, which has been held in the family name nearly seventy years, and which he now owns and occupies. His parents were Benjamin and Susan (Bussell) Curtis.

Benjamin Curtis was born at Freeport, Me., in 1809, and was one of a family of ten children. Settling here on a tract of wild land about 1830, he improved the estate, clearing and planting a number of acres, and erecting buildings, working early and late to earn a living and make a comfortable home for his wife and children. He died at the age of seventy-two. His wife was a daughter of James Bussell, who settled here about 1824. Mr. Bussell was the first blacksmith in the town and the first Justice of the Peace. He was also the first Town Treasurer, and he served for some time on the Board of Selectmen. He died at the age of seventy-eight. His wife, whose maiden name was Betsey Hanson, died young. Mr. Benjamin Curtis was at first a Whig and later a Republican in

politics. He and his wife were connected with the Universalist church. They had a family of eight children, namely: Lizzie, Franklin, Hiram, a second Hiram, and Bessie, all deceased; Ardell C.; Helen, wife of A. S. Plumer, of Lewiston, Me.; and John H., a farmer of Athens, Me.

Franklin Curtis was a soldier in the Civil War. He was a member of the Twentieth Regiment, Maine Volunteers, Company F, was wounded at the battle of Gettysburg, July 3, 1863, died in consequence of his wound, July 10, and is buried in the National Cemetery at Gettysburg, Pa.

Ardell C. Curtis acquired his education in the public schools of Wellington. He owns, as has been mentioned, the old Curtis farm, which comprises one hundred and thirty acres of good land; and he has been for some time successfully engaged in general farming. Mr. Curtis is a member of Wellington Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, of Wellington.

He was married in 1885 to Miss Nellie Richards, daughter of William Richards. She was born in Harmony, Me. They have one son, Frank B., who was born in Wellington, July 2, 1891. Mr. Curtis, who is a Republican in political affiliation, has never sought for public office, but has been honored with election to a number of important positions. He has been Deputy Sheriff for thirteen years, and is at present County Commissioner, having been nominated by acclamation. He is a Mason, belonging to Cambridge Lodge, A. F. & A. M., at Cambridge,

Me. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis are connected with the Universalist church.

ELIAS HUTCHINS, a general merchant and the Postmaster of East New Portland, was born in this town, July 8, 1826, son of Captain James and Cynthia (Churchill) Hutchins. The grandfather, David Hutchins, a native of Massachusetts, was a pioneer settler in the Kennebec valley. He first located at the head of tide-water, on land now called Alna. After residing there for a short time, he removed to the site of the present town of Skowhegan. In 1783 he began to clear a farm near the present village of East New Portland, where he spent the rest of his life. Having married Mary Emery, he had a family of eleven children, namely: Eliakim, born August 3, 1773; Marcy, born May 24, 1775; Emery, born February 25, 1777; Mary, born July 1, 1779; James, born June 1, 1781; David, born September 8, 1783; Williams, born November 10, 1785; Hollis, born May 24, 1788; Samuel, born November 29, 1790, who became a prominent Free Will Baptist minister; Asaph, born February 4, 1793; and Sarah, born September 4, 1795.

Captain James Hutchins, who was a life-long resident and a leading man of East New Portland, spent his active years in cultivating the home farm, which he inherited. In the State militia he held the rank of Captain. It is related that, while he was in the militia, when a party from Canada had carried off several head of cattle from the district, he and

his men pursued the marauders and recovered the animals. He also served in important town offices, and settled many estates. Captain Hutchins died April 19, 1869. On March 17, 1808, he married for his first wife Lucy Hayden, who bore him four children, namely: Richard, born March 4, 1809, who died in January, 1869; Mahala, born February 11, 1810, who died November 16, 1890; Emma, born April 28, 1811, who died young; and James, born September 11, 1815, who is also deceased. Cynthia Parker Churchill, who became the Captain's second wife, born January 3, 1790, was the first white female child of whom New Portland was the birth-place. Elias Hutchins's uncle, David, previously mentioned, was the first white male native. By her first husband, Benjamin Churchill, Cynthia had four children: Josiah P., born October 22, 1807, who died March 17, 1871; Jesse, born November 24, 1809, who died January 1, 1879; Cynthia, born December 15, 1811, who died February 13, 1890; and Benjamin, born February 24, 1814, who died January 23, 1839. By Captain Hutchins she had seven children, namely: Asaph, born April 18, 1817, who died October 28, 1895; Abel, born April 9, 1819, who died July 14, 1842; Lucy, born June 18, 1821, who died November 21, 1881; Sophia, born November 29, 1823, who is now the widow of Columbus Emery, and resides in Denver, Col.; Elias, the subject of this sketch; Lendell, born July 10, 1828, a veteran of the Civil War, who married Caroline Boynton, and resides in East New Portland;

and Cyrus L., born May 9, 1831, also a war veteran, residing in Erie, Pa. The mother died September 22, 1871.

Elias Hutchins was educated in the common schools of New Portland. When a young man he taught school for twelve winter terms. After a short time spent in Massachusetts he went to Damariscotta, Me., where he followed the ship-carpenter's trade for several years. Subsequently he resided in Lexington, Me., for some six years, at the end of which time he returned to New Portland. After occupying for the succeeding eight years a farm that he had previously purchased, he removed to his present residence in the East village. Since 1883 he has been successfully engaged in a general merchandise business, carrying a well-selected stock of goods.

On September 3, 1850, Mr. Hutchins was united in marriage with Flavillin D. Hayden, who was born in Madison, Me., April 8, 1827. Her parents, Joseph and Eleanor Hayden, were respectively natives of Gray and Madison, Me. Joseph Hayden was a prominent farmer and lumberman of that town. Mrs. Hutchins has had three children: Willie, born November 16, 1855, who died in infancy; Joseph H., born August 25, 1857; and Florence, born October 14, 1860. Joseph H. Hutchins, who is a barber in Skowhegan, married Sadie Philpot, of Norridgewock, Me., and has one daughter, Margery F., born October 7, 1885. Florence Hutchins married Thomas Webb, formerly of Bridgton, Me., and now a fruit-packer of Los Angeles, Cal. They have two children: Helen Webb, born

March 22, 1895; and Harry Hutchins, born January 9, 1898. In politics Mr. Hutchins, Sr., is a Republican. He has served with ability as a Selectman for one year, was Town Treasurer for two years, was also Deputy Sheriff, and he has been the Postmaster here since 1889. He belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of New Portland. Both he and Mrs. Hutchins are members of the Baptist church.

FRON. MARSHALL NOAH McKUSICK, of Calais, Washington County, a counsellor-at-law, an ex-Mayor of the city, and a Civil War veteran, was born in Baring, this county, March 7, 1841, son of Levi E. and Adelaide A. (Marshall) McKusick. The paternal grandfather, Noah McKusick, a Scotchman, who came to the country when a young man, settling upon a farm in Cornish, Me., became prominent in that town, and served in various public offices. He married Mary Estes, of Cornish, and had a family of nine sons and three daughters.

Levi E. McKusick was a native of Cornish, born in November, 1816. In early life he came to Washington County, locating in Baring. Here he had secured a propitious start in the lumber industry, when the financial panic of 1837 carried him down with many others in the locality. Later he resumed logging operations in connection with farming, and continued to reside in Baring until his death, which occurred in 1888. In politics

he was a Democrat; but, despite the fact that the majority of his townsmen were opposed to him in politics, his excellent judgment and sterling integrity so commended him to the voters that he was elected to the Board of Selectmen and the legislature, and for a long period was constantly the occupant of some town office. An esteemed member of the Methodist Episcopal church, he often supplied the pulpit in the absence of the regular pastor. He married Adelaide A., daughter of Captain Thomas Marshall, of Deer Island, N.B., and by her became the father of seven children, namely: Emily J., now the wife of John F. Stone, of Pine City, Minn.; Marshall N., the subject of this sketch; Thurston Pike, who is no longer living; Alice, who is married, and resides in Minneapolis, Minn.; Levi H., now county attorney of Pine County, Minnesota; Nellie, now the wife of Robert Wood, of Baring; and Minnie, who married Cyrus Chase, of that town.

After passing through the district schools of Baring, Marshall Noah McKusick pursued courses at the academies in Milltown, N.B., and Fryeburg, Me. In October, 1861, he enlisted in the Sixth Battery, Light Artillery; and, being commissioned Lieutenant in 1862, he commanded the battery in the battles of Antietam, Gettysburg, and the Wilderness. In the Wilderness fight he was slightly wounded. At the battle of Cold Harbor, June 7, 1864, he was unhorsed by a fragment of a shell, which entered his right shoulder, resulting in the disablement of the muscles of the arm, from which he did not fully recover

until 1867. Lieutenant McKusick was with the Army of the Potomac during its most important campaigns, participating in no less than sixty-five engagements. After he was discharged from the army, he taught school for a time. Then he studied law in the office of C. B. Rounds, Esq., of Calais, and was admitted to the bar in 1870. During his first ten years of practice in this city he was in partnership with his preceptor, under the firm name of Rounds & McKusick. Appointed Postmaster by President Arthur in 1882, he ably performed the duties of that office for four years. Having resumed his law business in 1896, he has since practised in the various courts of the State with success. Outside his profession he is interested in the International Creamery Company, of which he was an incorporator and the first president. In politics Mr. McKusick is an active supporter of the Republican party. He was first Selectman in Baring from the time of his return from the army to his removal to Calais, also serving as Overseer of the Poor. In Calais he was Alderman for six years. First elected Mayor in 1886, he filled that important office for three consecutive years. In 1879, 1880, and 1881 he was a member of the legislature, where he rendered valuable services upon the Judiciary Committee and during his last term by acceptably filling the Speaker's chair in the occasional absences of that officer. He was Deputy Collector of the Passamaquoddy District for five years, was City Solicitor two years, and is now Disclosure Commissioner for Washington County. His party is in-

debted to him for much effective service. He married Lucy J. Banford, daughter of Asher Banford, of this city. Mrs. McKusick has been the mother of seven children, namely: Mina G., who has charge of the musical department of the Calais public schools, and is an accomplished singer; Edith; Marshall N., Jr.; Maud; Ethel; James G. Blaine; and Eugene Hale McKusick. Eugene Hale, who was the twin brother of James, is now deceased.

GEORGE E. DOE, an esteemed resident of Cornville, Somerset County, and the owner of one of the attractive homesteads of this district, was born on the farm where he now resides, July 23, 1850, son of Theophilus P. and Lydia W. (Dearborn) Doe. The parents were natives respectively of Newfield and Solon, Me. In 1836 they took possession of the present home farm in Cornville. The father added other improvements to those already made in the preceding half-century, and lived on it until his demise, November 26, 1886. His wife, who faithfully aided him in his work, died on September 11, 1897, at the age of seventy-five years. She bore her husband four children, namely: Emma H., who married Alonzo Burnham, now of Roxbury, Mass., and died in January, 1897; George E., the subject of this sketch; Lettie E., who died February 8, 1898; and Charles G., a commission merchant, who resides in Boston.

George E. Doe completed his education at the Somerset Academy. On reaching man's

estate he went to the West, hoping in Illinois to decidedly better his circumstances. After working as a farm laborer in Logan County for a year, being somewhat disappointed in his expectations, he returned to New England. The succeeding four years were spent in Boston, employed during the first half of the time at the carpenter's trade and during the latter half as steward in the old Marlboro Hotel. In 1878, having returned to Cornville, he relieved his parents of the care of the homestead, and has since been engaged in general farming and dairying. He owns one hundred and twenty-five acres of land, on which he and his father made the more important improvements. Since 1880 he has been unable to do much active labor on the farm; but he performs a little carpenter's work, at which trade he is very skilful and ingenious.

On January 2, 1878, Mr. Doe married Miss Clara M. Hight, a native of Athens, Somerset County, born February 21, 1852. Her parents, Josiah and Harriet (Dore) Hight, who formerly lived in Boston, are now residents of Athens, the father being a retired cattle drover and dealer. Mr. and Mrs. Doe have but one child, Charles Harold, a bright and active lad, born September 21, 1889. Mr. Doe is prominent in politics and an influential member of the Republican party. For several years he has faithfully served as Township Clerk and Treasurer, and in 1888 he represented his district in the State legislature at Augusta. He belongs to several fraternal organizations, including the Carrabasset

Lodge of Odd Fellows at Skowhegan, the A. O. U. W. of East Madison village, and the grange at the same village. Both he and Mrs. Doe, while not members of any church, favor the Methodist belief.

FREDERICK R. BUCK, a member of the firm of Bixby & Buck, druggists, Skowhegan, Me., and a Civil War veteran, was born April 15, 1834, in Bucksport, Hancock County, this State. His father was Daniel Buck, a native of that town, which was named for his great-grandfather, Jonathan Buck, who was one of its first settlers. Frederick R. Buck is a descendant in the eighth generation of William Buck, the first American ancestor of the family, who came to New England with his son Roger on board the bark "Increase" in 1635, settled at Cambridge, Mass., and died there, January 24, 1658.

Roger Buck, who was born in England in 1617, was a thatcher by trade. He married in 1640; and after the death of his wife, which occurred more than forty years later, he moved from Cambridge to Woburn, Mass., where he died November 10, 1693. He was the father of three sons and four daughters. His third child, Ephraim, who was born in Cambridge, July 26, 1646, settled in Woburn about the year 1671; and it is supposed that he was the original proprietor of what is still known as the Buck Farm, located in the town of Wilmington. Ephraim Buck died in January, 1721, aged seventy-five years. On

January 1, 1671, he married Sarah Brooks, daughter of John and Eunice Brooks and grand-daughter of Deacon John Mansell, of Charlestown, Mass. She became the mother of five sons and three daughters, of whom Ebenezer, the next in this line, born in Woburn, May 20, 1689, was the seventh. A weaver by trade, he removed from that part of Woburn which is now Wilmington to Haverhill. On November 25, 1713, he married for his first wife Lydia Eames, who bore him two sons and one daughter. Of his union with Judith Wood, his second wife, whom he married February 22, 1723, was born one son.

Colonel Jonathan Buck, third child of Ebenezer by his first marriage and great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was born in what is now Wilmington, February 20, 1719. When a child he accompanied his parents to Haverhill, where he was reared; and in August, 1762, he settled in the lower Penobscot valley. He was one of the founders of the town of Bucksport, which was named in his honor. He carried on quite an extensive trade among the neighboring Indians, with whom he was very popular on account of his firm adherence to principles of honesty and integrity, his commanding personal appearance being probably another cause for their admiration. He was made a Lieutenant in 1745, and commissioned Colonel in 1775. In politics he was a stanch Whig. Colonel Jonathan Buck died March 18, 1795, aged seventy-seven years. His wife, Lydia Morse, of Newbury, Mass., whom he married in 1743, died December 15, 1789, aged seventy-



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one years. She was the mother of nine children.

Of these, Daniel, Frederick R. Buck's grandfather, was the fifth. He was born in Haverhill in 1755. In early life he followed the sea, becoming master of a vessel when he was but nineteen years old. In 1784 he bought a farm, upon which he built a new house; and, abandoning the sea in 1798, he engaged in mercantile business and farming. In 1805 he erected a store and wharf, constructed a dock in 1810, and there he conducted an extensive business until 1812. Daniel Buck died November 18, 1826, aged seventy-one years. He was a member of the Congregational church. In 1783 he married Mary Sewall, daughter of Colonel Dummer Sewall, of Bath, Me. Of the twelve children born of this union, Daniel, Jr., was the eighth.

Daniel Buck, Jr., Frederick Buck's father, was born in Bucksport in the year 1800. He was a civil engineer, and among his surveying operations was the laying out of a site for the construction of a fort by the United States government. In 1856 he went to Wisconsin, where he was engaged in farming. He died in 1869. He was prominent in the public affairs of Bucksport, and served as a Selectman. He had a family of five children, three of whom are living.

Frederick R., the second-born, the subject of this sketch, completed his education at the Bucksport High School, and served an apprenticeship at the iron founder's trade in Ellsworth, Me. He accompanied his parents to

Wisconsin, where he assisted in carrying on the farm until 1860. In September, 1861, he enlisted in Company C, Eighth Regiment, Wisconsin Volunteers. His regiment was attached to the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Army Corps, and he served under Generals Grant, Sherman, and Logan. He was discharged in Memphis at the expiration of his term of service in September, 1864; and in March, 1865, he re-enlisted in the United States Veteran Corps, composed only of veterans, raised especially to serve under General Hancock. He was stationed in Washington until his final discharge in 1866. He rose to the rank of Orderly Sergeant, and during his long period of active service he participated in the following engagements: Fredericksburg, New Madrid, Greenville, Island Number Ten, Farmington, Corinth, Inka, Raymond, Jackson, Mechanicsburg, Richmond, Mo., Forts Scurry and De Russey, Pleasant Hill, Nachitoches, Cloutierville, Calhoun's Plantation, Bayou De Glaize, and Lake Chicot.

After leaving the service Mr. Buck came to Skowhegan, and was associated with S. L. Gould in the foundry business until 1871, when he entered into partnership with the Hon. A. R. Bixby, with whom, under the firm name of Bixby & Buck, druggists and booksellers, he continues to carry on business in this town. In January, 1894, Mr. Buck opened a branch store at Bingham, Me., and there he has since spent the greater part of his time. In politics Mr. Buck is a Republican. He is connected with Somerset Lodge and Chapter, Masons; Carrabasset Lodge,

I. O. O. F.; and Russell Post, No. 96, G. A. R., of which he is a Past Commander.

Mr. Buck was married in 1858 to Orella Patten, a daughter of William Patten, of Hermon, Me. She went with Mr. Buck to Eau Claire, Wis., and died there in 1860. She was the mother of Charles E. Buck, who is now carrying on the drug business in Boston. In 1869 Mr. Buck married for his second wife a daughter of Ephraim Spaulding, of Dover, Me.

DAVID A. BRIDGES, a veteran of the Civil War, who cultivates a good farm in Dover, Piscataquis County, was born in Bucksport, Me., November 7, 1833, son of Joshua and Mary (Bowdoin) Bridges. His grandfather, Edmund Bridges, was a stone-mason by trade, passed the greater part of his life in Castine, and served both in the Revolutionary struggle and the War of 1812. The maternal grandfather, Ebenezer Bowdoin, was also a Revolutionary soldier. Both of the parents were natives of Castine, Me. Joshua Bridges settled upon wild land in Dover in 1835. There he cleared a farm, and successfully carried it on for the rest of his active years. He lived to be ninety-four years old. Of his several children three sons served in the Civil War.

David A. Bridges attended the district school, which he remembers to have been built of hewn logs and to have contained a brick fireplace. That its temperature in winter was not so high as that maintained in the comfortable school-rooms of the present time

he is able to vouch for, as both of his great toes were once frozen while he was seated upon one of the plank benches studying his lesson. He assisted his father in farming until he was twenty-one years old. Then he started out for himself, accepting any kind of employment that came in his way. At length he became associated with his brother, Warren Bridges, in the purchase and improvement of a tract of wild land, which they cultivated together for seven years. On October 24, 1861, he enlisted as a private in Company C, Thirteenth Regiment, Maine Volunteers, under Captain Alfred Buck. Afterward he served in the Department of the Gulf, was with the Red River expedition, saw much active service in Texas, and later took part in the Shenandoah Valley campaign. He participated in several notable engagements during his long period of active service, and suffered much from disease, which he has never been able to eradicate from his system. After his discharge in January, 1865, he returned home. A short time later he bought his present farm of one hundred and ten acres. His property, which is desirably located, produces excellent crops and contains good buildings.

In 1868 Mr. Bridges was joined in marriage with Eunice A. Sweet, a native of Corinth, Me., and a daughter of John Sweet. Mrs. Bridges is the mother of three children: Willie A., who resides at home and assists on the farm; Frank W., who married Rhoda Draper, and is a farmer and a mechanic in Dover; and Lizzie A., the wife of Willie Stone, of Garland, Me. Mr. Bridges cast his

first Presidential vote for John C. Fremont, and has since acted with the Republican party. He has never used tobacco or liquor to any extent, preferring to avoid habits not conducive to health. Although he suffers much from the disease contracted in the army, he does not regret the sacrifice he made in the defence of the Union. He is a comrade of Doughty Post, G. A. R., of Dover. Mrs. Bridges is a member of the Baptist church.

HON. JOSEPH MASON LIVERMORE, formerly a leading attorney of Washington County, Maine, and a resident of Eastport, was born in this place on the twenty-second day of November, 1824. He was the eldest son of Oliver S. and Sarah (Johnson) Livermore. His father, who was born here on the 5th of March, 1800, was for many years one of the leading merchants of the city.

After acquiring a competency and retiring from active business Oliver S. Livermore was chosen president of the Eastport bank, and for several years continued in that position. He was a prominent worker in the Unitarian church, and carried his liberal and humanitarian principles into his daily walk and life. His political views were Republican. He served in various civic offices, and before Eastport was incorporated as a city was one of the Selectmen. His wife, Sarah, who was born at Robbinston, in this county, on June 4, 1801, and died on October 12, 1863, bore him eight children, as follows: Joseph

M., who was born on November 22, 1824; Oliver S., born on February 23, 1828; Susan, born on October 18, 1830; Sarah S., born on February 4, 1833; Mary R., born on March 4, 1835; Stephen G., born on March 9, 1837; Lydia S., born on January 24, 1840; and Samuel G., who was born on April 24, 1842. Of these children the only one now living is Oliver S., who resides in Livermore, Cal.

Joseph Mason Livermore attended the public schools of Eastport in his childhood and youth, and there acquired a practical education. He did not begin the study of law until his thirty-third year, when his maturity of character and knowledge of the world enabled him to grasp with completeness and precision the subjects to which he then turned his attention. Opening an office in his native city for the practice of his profession, he became in a very short time one of the foremost lawyers in the county, and had all the clients he could attend to. His opinions on matters of public importance bore weight with all classes, and he was almost irresistibly drawn into the arena of political action. He was a stanch advocate of Republican principles; and his party sent him to the lower branch of the State legislature and subsequently to the Senate, in both of which places he gave ample proof that their confidence in him had not been misplaced. He was a popular man not only in Eastport, but wherever he was known; and his friends were legion. His death occurred in this city on November 20, 1878. Though not a member of any religious society, Mr. Livermore attended the Unitarian church,

and was a regular contributor to its varied benevolences. Fraternally, he was a member of Eastern Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M., at Eastport.

Mr. Livermore was married on March 7, 1847, to Ellen Irene Bucknam, a daughter of Seward C. and Irene (McLellan) Bucknam. Mr. Bucknam, who was one of the early settlers and one of the first merchants of Eastport, was born at Falmouth, Me., on June 7, 1783, and died at Eastport on February 14, 1868. His residence was one of the finest in Eastport, and during the War of 1812, when the British occupied the town, was seized and used by them for their commanding officer. Irene McLellan, who was married to Mr. Bucknam in Portland, on the last day of January, 1826, was born in that city. She died in Eastport on October 19, 1865, having been the mother of two children: Ellen I. (Mrs. Livermore); and Annie M., who is now deceased. By a former marriage Mr. Bucknam had nine children—Sarah A., Eliza P., Seward C., an infant daughter, an infant son, Harriet J., Lucy H., Annie P., and Elizabeth M.


Mrs. Livermore since the death of her husband continues to reside in her beautiful home at Eastport. She is a Unitarian in religious belief, as were both her parents. She has been the mother of eight children, as follows: Joseph McL., who was born on June 15, 1851; Edward S., who was born on August 7, 1853; Charles P., who was born on March 23, 1855; Ellen I., who was born on May 7, 1857; Anna B., who was born on

October 13, 1859; Oliver S., who was born on September 24, 1861; Seward B., who was born on September 2, 1864; and Sarah P., who was born on June 1, 1867. Of these children the survivors are: Ellen I., Anna B., Seward B., and Sarah P.

Anna is the wife of Lincoln Hamlin Newcomb, to whom she was married on June 1, 1897. Mr. Newcomb is a descendant of one of the old Eastport families, his great-grandfather and his grandfather, who were named respectively John and Robert Newcomb, having been among the earliest settlers here. His father, who was brought to Eastport when a boy, was born in Charlotte, Me. He is a carpenter and builder, still engaged in active business here. His wife, whose maiden name was Mary Watson, is a native of Pennfield, N.B. Of the seven sons and one daughter born to them, three are living, namely: General Edward E. Newcomb, of Eastport; Harry C. Newcomb, of Cohasset, Mass.; and Lincoln Hamlin, above named.

Lincoln Hamlin Newcomb, who was born here on November 8, 1860, grew to manhood in Eastport, and after leaving school began the study of law in the office of E. E. Livermore. After a two years' course of reading he was admitted to the bar of Washington County, this being in January, 1895; and immediately afterward he opened an office for the practice of law. He has already in the three years that have elapsed built up a good practice, and his outlook for the future is most promising. Mr. Newcomb is a Republican, and he takes an active interest in local

affairs. He has served for a number of years on the School Committee, and has been Assessor and Collector of Taxes. Prior to August, 1897, he was Regiment Inspector of Rifle Practice for the Second Regiment, but at that time declined to serve longer. Fraternally, he is a member of Eastern Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M., and of Border Lodge, No. 81, I. O. O. F. Of the latter he is a Past Grand.

RIN LIBBY, a prosperous farmer of Detroit, was born in Hollis, Me., January 11, 1825, son of Aaron and Emily (Woodsum) Libby. The grandfather, Captain David Libby, was a ship-master, hailing from Saco, Me. Aaron Libby, who was a native of Saco, worked in a saw-mill in Hollis when a young man, and in 1827 moved to Clinton, where he resided for some years. He came to Detroit in 1842, locating upon an estate on the North Road, and there afterward carried on general farming and lumbering until his death, which occurred September 25, 1866. Emily, his wife, who was a native of Stewartstown, N.H. died August 3, 1867. She was the mother of seven children, namely: Orin, the subject of this sketch; Dyer Woodsum, born January 27, 1827; Simon, born January 6, 1829, who died May 6, 1830; David F., born June 3, 1831; Elizabeth, born November 3, 1833; George, born February 20, 1836; and Emily J., now deceased, born August 14, 1838. Dyer W. Libby, who is a retired carpenter and farmer of Pittsfield, successively married Salome Gibson, of Clinton,

and Mary Simonds. David F. Libby, who resides at the old homestead in Detroit, married Nancy M. Bowman. Elizabeth married Hiram W. Blake, and resides in La Grange, Me. George Libby, who is conducting a tannery in New York State, married Rosilla Humphrey, who has since died. Emily J. was the wife of Lindley M. Dinsmore.

Orin Libby attended the common schools, and resided with his parents until he was twenty years old. For some years he was employed in the lumbering industry during the winter season. After his marriage he settled upon his present property of one hundred and sixty acres in Detroit, where he has since been engaged in general farming and lumbering. The farm, which is one of the oldest in this section, was originally cleared and used as a trading post previous to the general settlement of the locality, and is said to have had the first farmhouse erected in Somerset County. Mr. Libby has made various improvements upon the land and buildings, and devotes much of his attention to stock-raising and dairying. He also owns six hundred acres of timber land.

Mr. Libby has been twice married. His first wife, whom he wedded October 6, 1850, was previously Abbie G. Blake, of Detroit, a daughter of Zebulon and Sally (Durgan) Blake. She died November 22, 1851. On April 2, 1853, he married for his second wife Margaret Clement, who was born in Berwick, Me., February 18, 1824. Her parents were Ebenezer and Margaret (Lord) Clement, who moved from Berwick to Detroit, where they

passed their last days. The only child of the first union is Charles H. Libby, born July 10, 1851, who is a carpenter, residing in Detroit. He married a lady of Pepperell, Mass., now deceased, and has one child, Violet May. By the second union there were four children, namely: Aaron C., born January 20, 1855, who is residing with his father; Orin E., born November 30, 1859, who married Emma Thompson, of Curwensville, Pa., and is a farmer in Detroit; George H., born October 2, 1861, who married Nellie Sanborn, resides in the neighborhood of the homestead, and has one child, Florence M.; and Florence A., born October 7, 1863, who died May 16, 1891. Politically, Mr. Libby is a Democrat. He has served with ability as a member of the Board of Selectmen for nine years, was Treasurer and Collector for two years, and has held other town offices. He is the treasurer of Meridian Lodge, F. & A. M.; and a member of Phlentoma Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Pittsfield. He attends the Universalist church in Pittsfield village.

HARRY A. SNOW, M.D., a young and rising physician of Milo, Piscataquis County, was born in Atkinson, this county, June 18, 1866. A son of Dr. Edwin P. and Lorina L. (Reed) Snow, he is the third Snow in the line of descent to practise medicine in this locality. His grandfather, Eleazar W. Snow, was a pioneer physician and surgeon in Piscataquis County; and his father, Edwin P. Snow, is still prac-

tising to some extent in Atkinson. The family originally came from New Hampshire. A more detailed account of it will be found in the biography of Dr. E. P. Snow, which appears elsewhere in this work.

Harry A. Snow acquired his early education in the common schools of Atkinson, at the East Maine Conference Seminary in Bucksport, and at the academy in Monson, Me. His father had hoped that young Snow would turn his attention to some other line, as the life of a country physician is anything but pleasant; but, when it became apparent that his son was determined to enter the medical profession, he assisted him in every way possible. The young aspirant matriculated at the Maine Medical School, where he remained for one course of lectures. Then he attended the Bellevue Hospital Medical College for two years, and was graduated from the Baltimore Medical School in 1893. He took particular interest in the diseases of women, and while in Baltimore had the advantage of instruction under Professor Ashley, a noted specialist. After receiving his diploma he located in Milo, in order to be near his father, who is now gradually giving up practice. Although abundantly equipped to begin his career in a broader field of usefulness, he considers it his duty to remain near his parents in their declining years. Since settling here he has met with most gratifying success. Answering all calls, day or night, no matter how great the distance may be, he has made himself popular among the residents of this section of the county, who have implicit faith

in his professional ability. His residence in Milo was previously the residence of other physicians for many years. The property has been much improved since it was purchased by him.

Dr. Snow is a member of the Foresters' Society and of Kineo Lodge, I. O. O. F. In politics he is a Democrat, and for the past three years has served upon the School Board. He married Mary A. Davis, a daughter of Josiah F. Davis, of Milo. His devotion to his profession is regarded with much favor by the people of this vicinity. As he has already succeeded to a large part of his father's practice, his future prospects are unusually promising.

ELISHA BRIGGS, a leading farmer of Parkman, Piscataquis County, was born on his present farm, September 30, 1832, son of Abitha and Eunice (Turner) Briggs. The paternal grandfather, also named Abitha, who was born in Greene, Me., came to Parkman early in 1808, and cleared the farm now owned by his grandson. Industrious and courageous, like most of the settlers of Maine, he had the satisfaction of seeing before his death well-cleared and well-tilled fields where formerly he looked upon the wilderness. In religion he was a Baptist and in politics a Democrat. He lived to a good old age. Abitha Briggs, Jr., a native of Greene, was a farmer, and carried on the homestead farm. He was also a pedler of tinware and Yankee notions. Like his father he was a Baptist and a Democrat. He died in Parkman at the

age of seventy-five years, having been three times married. His wife, Eunice, was a native of Leeds. Of the eleven children born to him, three are now living; namely, Arvida Briggs, Elisha, and Charles. Arvida Briggs, who resides in Ripley, Me., successively married Louisa Bennett, of Parkman, and Ann Ramsdell, of Ripley, who became the mothers, respectively, of Walter and Frank Briggs. His first wife died about thirty-five years ago. Charles, a resident of Bangor, married Dora Hustin, of Bangor, and had no children.

Elisha Briggs grew to manhood in his native town and received his education in the public schools. Having chosen as his occupation in life the same work as that in which his father and grandfather had been engaged, he has devoted himself to cultivating and improving his farm of two hundred and fifty acres. He carries on general farming, and has dealt successfully in stock and dairy products. On April 13, 1857, he married Rosetta Bates, a native of Parkman and a daughter of Seth and Mercy Bates, both of whom are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Briggs have one son, William E. Briggs, who was born on the old homestead, May 13, 1864, and now resides in Parkman. William married Mary Hussey, of Guilford, and has had one daughter, Emma J. Briggs, who died at the age of three years.

Mr. Briggs, Sr., has been Selectman of Parkman for one year and Town Agent for two years. He is a member of Mount Kineo Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Guilford; of Good Cheer Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Guilford; of Moose-

head Encampment at Guilford; of the Order of Rebecca; and of the Patrons of Husbandry at Parkman. In politics he is a Republican. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. They have been industrious people, and are highly respected in Parkman.

MRS. ABBY C. CONDON, an enterprising manufacturer of knit goods in Penobscot, Me., senior member of the firm of Condon & Grendell, also a dealer in dry goods, smallwares, and millinery, is a native of this town. Born on March 17, 1839, daughter of James and Clarinda (Orcutt) Grendell, she represents the fifth generation of the Grendell (or Grindle) family in Hancock County, her great-grandfather, William Grendell, first, having settled at Brooksville, the town adjoining Penobscot. It is said that he served in the Revolutionary War.

Mrs. Condon's grandfather, William Grendell, second, who was a native of Brooksville, was an extensive real estate owner, and originally possessed all the land around Penobscot Cove, including a water-power and a mill. His wife was Lydia Bowden. He gave to each of his sons a farm. His son James, Mrs. Condon's father, who was born in Penobscot, and remained at home for the purpose of caring for him during his declining years, inherited the homestead and the mill. James Grendell was a man of excellent business ability. He carried on a saw-mill during his active years. He lived to the age of seventy-

eight. He rendered valuable service to the town as an Overseer of the Poor; and his brother, William Grendell, third, was at one time a member of the Executive Council. James Grendell married Clarinda Orcutt, daughter of Galen Orcutt, a sea captain, of Brooksville. Five children were born of this union, namely: Frank; Eliza; Elijah; Edna; and Abby C., the subject of this sketch. Their mother died July 9, 1849, and their father died April 15, 1890. Their grandfather Orcutt had two brothers who also were sea captains—Jacob and Malachi. Grandmother Orcutt was a Littlefield. She and her husband both died before the marriage of their daughter Clarinda, who was their only child. Frank Grendell, the eldest son, succeeded to his father's business. He married Phœbe Littlefield, and has two sons—Carl and Norris, both of whom are engaged in the manufacturing business with their aunt, Mrs. Condon. Eliza is no longer living. Elijah at the time of the Civil War enlisted in Company A, Fourth Regiment, Maine Volunteers, went to the front, was engaged in battle, was taken by the Confederates, and was confined a number of weeks in Andersonville Prison. He eventually died from the effects of injuries received while in the army. Edna married for her first husband Emery Wardwell. He was lost at sea in August, 1874; and she subsequently became the wife of Paul Perkins, of Penobscot. She died August 24, 1898. Her only child, a son, J. Wardwell, died March 30, 1891, aged twenty-one years.

Abby C., the special subject of this sketch,



MRS. ABBY C. CONDON.

was the youngest child of the parental household. She acquired her education, a practical one, in the little red school-house of the district, which stood in the woods, half a mile from any house. That she applied herself well and made good progress in her studies may be judged from the fact that she became a teacher. She taught seven terms of school, five in Penobscot and two in Brewer, Me. On March 15, 1860, she was married to Benjamin L. Condon, son of Samuel Condon, of Brooksville, Me.

It was during war times, in 1864, when high prices ruled, that Mrs. Condon started the knitting business with a cash capital of thirty dollars and a good stock of native energy and capability. Bringing fifty pounds of yarn from Boston, she engaged knitters to knit mittens at twenty-five cents a pair, but, failing to use up all the yarn the first year, returned a part of it. More yarn was intrusted to her the second year, and she exerted herself successfully in soliciting knitters. The work all came under her personal inspection, and was well done. The business continued to increase year by year, although the price paid for it declined from twenty-five cents to six cents per pair of mittens. In 1873 fifteen hundred knitters, residents of Penobscot, Orland, Bucksport, Castine, Blue Hill, Surry, Sedgwick, and Deer Isle, were numbered on the pay-roll. All was done in the old-fashioned way, by knitting-needles, until 1882. In that year was erected the building which has since been used as a general store and as a factory, the Lamb knitting

machines, operated by hand-power, being introduced. Starting with four machines, the firm have gradually increased their number, until at present they own and are operating about eighty. For thirty-three years Mrs. Condon has been manufacturing knit goods for a single wholesale mercantile house, now O. L. Bailey & Co., formerly S. Brainard Pratt, which has furnished the yarn. The value of her enterprise to the community it would not be easy to overestimate. Long may it flourish. Some years ago Mrs. Condon started her son-in-law in business at Penobscot village. She is the heaviest tax-payer in town, and has paid more freight money to the Boston & Bangor Steamship Company than any other individual shipper in this section of the State.

Mrs. Condon has reared two children—Eliza and Brainard. Eliza became the wife of Walter J. Creamer, and died soon after marriage, leaving no children. Brainard Condon, who was born April 8, 1876, lives with his mother, and superintends the large farm which they own. He married Grace Allen, of Sedgwick, and has one son, Guy. Mrs. Condon for thirty years has been a Sunday-school teacher and an active worker in the Baptist church.

GEORGE W. STACY, the present Town Treasurer of Blanchard, Piscataquis County, a son of William A. and Mary J. (Roberts) Stacy, was born in Dover, Me., November 17, 1856. His grandfather,

Hiram Stacy, a butcher and farmer, was one of the early settlers of Dover, Me., to which he went from Sangerville. Hiram was an active and enterprising man. After living to an advanced age he died in Dover. He had a family of six children, namely: George, William A., James, and Albert; Maria, the widow of Thomas Crooker, living in Monson; and Ada, the wife of Dr. H. A. Robinson, of Foxcroft, Me. William A. Stacy, who was born in Dover, Me., learned the butcher's trade of his father, and followed it in early life. He was subsequently engaged as a photographer. For some years past he has been in active practice as a physician, and has manufactured Stacy's Giant Pills. In politics he is a Republican. His wife, who was also a native of Dover, died when George W. was thirteen years old. She was a Spiritualist, and so is the Doctor. They reared three children: George W., the subject of this sketch; John, who resides in New Hampshire; and Susan, the wife of R. A. Packard, of Guilford.

George W. Stacy grew to manhood in Dover and Dexter, acquiring his education in the schools of the latter town. In his boyhood he worked on a farm, and after attaining his majority he engaged in the manufacture of lumber. In 1873 he began to manufacture lumber on a small scale in Blanchard, with C. E. Packard as partner, in the firm of Packard & Stacy, which was in existence fifteen years. The partners then sold the plant, and, moving to Guilford, formed in 1892 the Guilford Lumber Com-

pany, and erected a mill. However, within a year or so Mr. Stacy disposed of his interest, and returned to Blanchard. He now manufactures long and short lumber, consuming about two million feet of logs annually, employing from thirty-five to fifty men, and using improved machinery, driven both by steam and water power. In the winter season he saws from three to five hundred thousand feet of spool wood. His business is the leading one of the town. Also interested in real estate, he is part owner of upward of eight thousand acres of timber land, from which he cuts the timber used in his factory.

In 1878, when he was twenty-two years old, Mr. Stacy was married to Violet Hussey, who was born in Mercer, Kennebec County. His children are: Emmons' and Percy. A prominent and popular Republican, he has served as Selectman and Town Collector; and he has been Town Treasurer since 1893. He is a self-made man, whose success is the fruit of his own enterprise and perseverance. Mrs. Stacy is a member of the Congregational church.

GEORGE REED ALLEN, Town Clerk of Brooklin, Hancock County, Me., where for many years he worked at his trade of blacksmith and is now engaged as a hardware dealer, was born in Brooklin, formerly a part of Sedgwick, April 12, 1831, son of Nathaniel and Ruth R. (Herrick) Allen. His father was a son of Jonathan Allen and grandson of Nehemiah Allen, who came from Massachusetts to Sedgwick, settling upon the

shore of Salt Pond, and whose farm is still owned in the family.

Jonathan Allen, grandfather of Mr. George R. Allen, was one of the first white children born in Sedgwick. He followed farming during his active years, and also made agricultural tools. His entire life of ninety-three years was spent upon the ancestral farm. He was exceedingly temperate in his habits, never using spirituous liquor or tobacco. For many years he served as a Deacon of the Baptist church. He married Lois Morgan, of Sedgwick, and had a family of twelve children.

Nathaniel Allen, son of Jonathan and Lois (Morgan) Allen, was born at North Sedgwick, June 29, 1797. He was reared to agricultural pursuits, which he followed during his active years, first settling in the Bay District of what is now Brooklin, and in 1835 removing to Pond Island, where he resided for thirty-four years. His last days were passed in Brooklin. He died March 11, 1869, at the age of seventy-two years. Nathaniel Allen was the first Postmaster in this town. He was a Deacon of the Baptist church, as were also four of his brothers; and members of the Allen family have been largely instrumental in developing the usefulness of that society. Ruth Roundy Allen, his wife, was a daughter of Samuel Herrick, of Sedgwick. They reared eight children, namely: Lois M., who died January 1, 1894; Frederick A., who died December 15, 1875; Eben, a farmer, who married Elizabeth Jackson; Elizabeth C., who resides at Pretty Marsh on the island of Mount Desert; George R., the subject of this

sketch; William F., who was lost at sea; Nancy R., who is the widow of Josiah S. Mayo, late of Tremont, and resides in Brooklin; and Vesta P., who is living in Mendocino City, California.

George Reed Allen's educational opportunities were limited to those afforded by the district schools. Learning the blacksmith's trade at the age of seventeen, he followed it for forty-four years, with the exception of occasional fishing trips of from six to ten weeks, which he made at intervals during twelve summers; and, although for some time past he has been engaged in the hardware business, he has always maintained with pride the dignity and importance of the village blacksmith.

Mr. Allen married for his first wife Huldah H. Wells, of Brooklin, who died December 25, 1879; and his second wife was before marriage Elmina M. Hooper. His first wife left one son, Fred L. He married Mabel F. Freethy, and she died leaving two daughters — Edith M. and Bessie F.

Mr. Allen was chairman of the Board of Selectmen from 1870 to 1880, Town Treasurer four years, Constable and Collector two years, and has held his present office of Town Clerk fifteen years. He was Representative to the legislature in 1875 and again in 1878. His first Presidential vote was cast for General Winfield Scott, the opponent of Franklin Pierce, in 1852. In politics he always acted with the Republican party after its formation, and for twenty years he was chairman of the Republican Local Committee. He was made a Mason in 1873, in Naskeag Lodge, No. 171,

F. & A. M., U. D., being the first member raised in that lodge; was its recording secretary five years, and represented his lodge in the Grand Lodge of Maine four times. He also joined the Brooklin Lodge, No. 133, I. O. O. F., at its first institution, March 13, 1895; was chosen permanent secretary at its first meeting, and now holds his office as financial secretary. In the building of the beautiful Odd Fellows Building which his lodge now occupies he was largely instrumental, contributing the site and one-fifth the cost.

CHARLES F. EATON, an extensive box manufacturer of Princeton, Washington County, Me., was born in Milltown, N.B., March 1, 1859, son of Charles H. and Sarah (Keith) Eaton. His grandfather, Emerson Eaton, whose name shows him to have descended from old New England families, went from Groton, Mass., to Milltown, where he settled as a pioneer and engaged in the lumbering industry. Starting in life a poor boy, he became a noted business man in Milltown, and amassed a fortune. He lived to be sixty-five years old, and his death was the result of exposure while personally attending to his lumbering operations.

Charles H. Eaton, son of Emerson, was born in Milltown. At an early age he engaged in lumbering, which he followed with success for quite a long period. Owning large tracts of land in Washington County, he realized excellent financial results; and he is now living in retirement at Forest Station,

Me. Previous to his removal to Maine he served as Mayor of Milltown for several terms. Since becoming a citizen of the United States he has acted with the Republican party in politics. He is a member of the Congregational church. His wife, who died in December, 1895, is well remembered for her activity in religious work and liberality in relieving the sufferings of the poor. Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Eaton reared four children, namely: Albion H., who looks after his father's business interests in Calais; Charles F., the subject of this sketch; Mrs. Nellie L. Edgecomb, whose husband is a prominent merchant in Fredericton, N.B.; and Fred C., a clothing dealer in Barre, Vt.

Fred C. Eaton is a member of the First Vermont Volunteer Infantry and, although actively interested in his business affairs, at the time President McKinley called for one hundred and twenty-five thousand men he went to the front, and for four months was with his company at Chickamauga Park under General Fred Grant. He left his home, his business, and loved ones to fight for his country. During his absence he was promoted from the ranks to a clerkship.

Charles F. Eaton completed his education at the Hallowell (Me.) Classical School; and at the age of nineteen he took charge of his father's mill at Forest Station, where he remained four years. For the succeeding seven years he resided in Palatka, Fla., where he was engaged in the manufacture of hard pine lumber; and upon his return North he became associated with his father-in-law, James

Murchie, in manufacturing orange boxes in Princeton. They turn out from nine hundred thousand to one million boxes per annum, their mill requiring a large force of operatives; and they furnish employment directly and indirectly to about two hundred men. Their product is mostly shipped to Florida and the Mediterranean.

On October 15, 1887, Mr. Eaton was united in marriage with Alice M. Murchie, daughter of James Murchie, of Milltown, N.B. Mrs. Eaton is the mother of four children — James Murchie, Muriel, Emerson Eaton, and Charles Freedom, Jr.

In politics Mr. Eaton is a Republican. He is connected with the Masonic Lodge at Milltown, is a charter member of the lodge of Knights of Pythias at Palatka, Fla., and of the Independent Order of Foresters in Princeton.

HIRAM BURDEEN, who owns and cultivates one of the most productive farms in Pittsfield, was born in Berwick, York County, Me., July 3, 1826, son of Hiram and Priscilla (Jones) Burdeen. His parents were natives of Maine, the father having been born in Wells, which was his home until he settled upon a farm in Clinton about 1825. He lived to be eighty-two years old. His wife, Priscilla, became the mother of ten children, namely: Polly, who died at the age of twenty-five years; Stephen, who resides at the old homestead in Clinton; Augustus, who died in 1891; Hiram, the subject of this sketch; Abigail, Lavinia, Philinda, and

Reuel, who are no longer living; Alvina; and Mary, wife of Watson Goodwin, of Clinton. The mother is no longer living. Hiram Burdeen began to make himself useful as a farmer's assistant when he was ten years old, attending school when opportunity presented; and he continued thus employed for about six years. For seven years subsequently he worked at lumbering on the Penobscot River. In 1852 he went to California, where he remained for some time. After a visit to his home, during which he married, he once more sought his fortune upon the Pacific coast, but returned finally in 1860, and has since resided upon the Burdeen farm in Pittsfield. He owns two hundred and fifty acres of fertile land, which he has improved, and which he devotes to general farming, dairying, and stock-raising.

Mr. Burdeen married Julia A. Jacobs, who was born in Pittsfield, August 17, 1837, daughter of Milbury and Sarah (Buzzell) Jacobs. Her father was a native of Waterville, and her mother was born in Warsaw township, now Pittsfield, in 1820. Milbury Jacobs, who was a millwright by trade, resided in Pittsfield for the greater part of his life, and died in December, 1891. His widow died April 9, 1898. Mr. and Mrs. Burdeen have had five children, namely: Charles Henry, who resides at home and is engaged in mercantile business in Pittsfield; Kate, widow of Edwin Nash, late of Newport, Me., who died in October, 1897; Arthur M., who died at the age of fourteen years; Frederick H., who married Nellie O'Toole, and

is employed at the electric car works in Sacramento, Cal.; and John C. Burdeen, who married Lillian Ames, of Fairfield, Me., and is engaged in trade with his brother in this town.

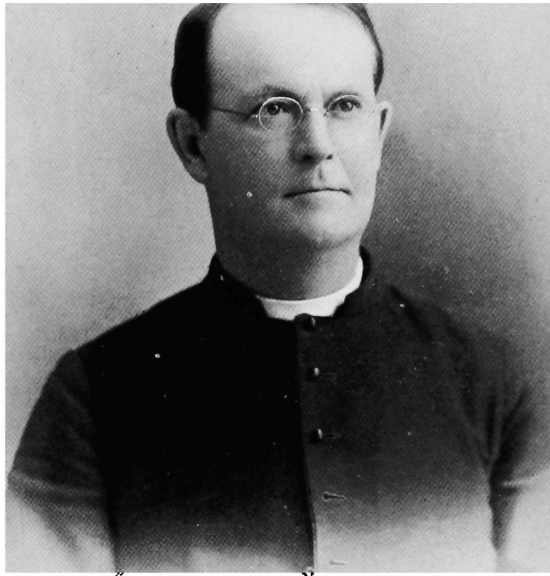
Politically, Mr. Burdeen is a Democrat. He is a member of Meridian Lodge, No. 126, F. & A. M.

REV. LOUIS BERGERON, pastor of the Roman Catholic Church at Fairfield, Me., was born in Three Rivers, Province of Quebec, Canada, April 9, 1859, son of Louis and Julie (Lemyra) Bergeron. His father, who was a native of Rivière du Loup, was for many years engaged in business as a grocery merchant and lumberman in Three Rivers, and died in that town in March, 1895. His mother, who was born in Maskinonge, P.Q., died on September 13, 1896. Mr. and Mrs. Bergeron were the parents of twelve children, namely: Louis, the subject of this sketch; Victoria, who is no longer living; Joseph, a merchant in Three Rivers and proprietor of the Richelieu Hotel; Emma; Iréné, who is in the dry-goods business; Dorilla; Arthur, a jeweller; and Corina, Blanche, Virginie, Cécilia, and Eva—all of Three Rivers.

Louis Bergeron began his education in the Brothers' School, and became proficient in the higher branches of learning, including theology, at St. Joseph's Seminary, of Three Rivers, where he was a student for eleven years. After teaching in the seminary for three years he was called to Biddeford, Me.,

as assistant to Father Dupont, pastor of the French Catholic church in that city; and in 1891 he took charge of the church in Fairfield, then a mission church, supplied from other parishes. The erection of the present church was begun in 1891, the first mass being celebrated in the new place of worship on Passion Sunday, 1892. Father Bergeron is the spiritual adviser of one hundred and fifty families, who have the privilege of attending, besides the early morning services, high mass at ten A.M., Sunday-school at two P.M., and vespers at three P.M. each Sunday. Father Bergeron owns a comfortable residence located near the church. As an able, sincere, and indefatigable Christian worker, the good effects of whose influence on the morals of the community are plainly visible, he is highly respected.

EDWIN S. DOUTY, of Abbot, Piscataquis County, the chairman of the town's Board of Selectmen, son of David and Sarah (Cleaves) Douty, was born in Sangerville, this county, August 2, 1849. The father, a native of Sangerville, was a hard-working farmer. In politics he was a Republican, while his religious opinions were liberal. He died in his native town, at the age of fifty-three. His first wife died in 1851, leaving two children: Charles E., who resides in Minnesota; and Edwin S., the subject of this biography. His second wife, in maidenhood Miss Josie B. Herring, bore him six children; namely, Hattie, Fred H., Ada M., Mary, David, and Calvin Sanger.



LOUIS BERGERON.

Edwin S. Douty was reared and educated in Sangerville. He chose the pursuit of agriculture for his life work, and in 1870 came to Abbot to establish a home. He now owns a good farm of three hundred acres in the town, besides tracts of outside timber land, from which he cuts the timber in winter. He is a member of Abbot Grange, Patrons of Husbandry. In 1870 he was first married to Ella M. Spooner, who was born in Shirley, Me. She died without issue in September, 1877. He was married again in June, 1881, to Miss Nellie M. Cleaves, a native of Sangerville, Me., who died on September 20, 1893. In politics he is a Republican. He has been a member of the Board of Selectmen for seven years, being first Selectman for five years of the time. His religious views are liberal.

PERRY S. LONGLEY, of Solon, Somerset County, one of the best known lumbermen in this section of the State, was born in this town, March 17, 1858. He is an adopted son of Jonas S. and Ann (Jewett) Longley. His foster-mother was a daughter of James Jewett, who came with two brothers from Pepperell, Mass., in 1795, and settled in the southern part of the town of Solon, they being the first settlers here. Jonas S. Longley was born in Bingham, Me., in 1825. When seven years old he went to New York State, where he remained several years. Upon his return to Maine he engaged in lumbering, which he has since followed with success. He still resides in

Solon, and owns much valuable timber and farming land in this vicinity. The brothers and sisters of the subject of this sketch are, briefly: Allen, who married a Miss Barrett, and is a farmer in Lisbon, Me.; Frank, who married Annie Bunker, and is a lumberman of Shawmut, Me.; Alice, wife of Frank Mason, who is connected with a bank in Boston; and David, who married Lizzie Davis, and is engaged in lumbering in Madison, Me. Mr. Longley also has an adopted sister, Mrs. William L. Whipple, of Solon.

Perry S. Longley was graduated from the Lewiston High School in the class of 1877. In the same year he engaged in lumbering with his foster-father in Solon. He developed a capacity for conducting logging operations and driving and marketing timber, which has led to his attaining a prominent position among the lumber operators in this region; and he has been very successful financially. For ten years he conducted a store in Solon, but subsequently sold out in order to devote his entire energy to his lumbering operations. He is treasurer of the Solon Creamery, which is developing into a very profitable business enterprise.

On January 15, 1883, Mr. Longley was joined in marriage with Carrie B. Bodwell, of Solon, daughter of Henry M. Bodwell, a merchant of this town.

In politics an active Republican, Mr. Longley has been superintendent of schools for several years. He belongs to the local lodge of Independent Order of Odd Fellows and to the Encampment in Skowhegan; is a thirty-

second degree Mason, being a member of the Maine Consistory and of the various subordinate bodies; and belongs also to the Ancient Order of United Workmen in Solon. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

WILLIAM WEYMOUTH, a representative farmer of Abbot, Piscataquis County, son of James and Martha (Weymouth) Weymouth, was born where he now resides, October 2, 1859. His mother was a daughter of William Weymouth, who resided in Sangerville, Me. An account of his paternal ancestry will be found in the biography of his uncle, David Weymouth.

James Weymouth, born in Abbot, February 3, 1828, settled upon his present property some forty years ago. By industry and perseverance he has made a good farm out of land which at the time of purchase was considered of little value. He is now associated with his son William in carrying on the home farm of one hundred acres, and jointly with his son he owns two hundred acres of outlying land. In politics he is a Republican, and he is a member of the Free Will Baptist church. His present and second wife was formerly Mrs. Prudence Lovejoy Rose. He is the father of three children: William, the subject of this sketch; Martha, the wife of Charles Dews, of North Dexter, Me.; and Mary, who is now Mrs. Cripp, of Sangerville.

William Weymouth acquired a common-school education in Abbot, and assisted his father in cultivating the farm. He was later

employed in saw-mills for ten years. Then he bought an interest in the homestead property. He conducts general farming with success, and carries on lumbering during the winter season. In politics he is a Republican. He was unanimously elected to his third term in the Board of Selectmen in 1897.

In 1882 Mr. Weymouth married Alice M. Works, a daughter of Jotham S. Works, who formerly resided in Bradford, Me., and now lives in Abbot. Mrs. Weymouth is the mother of four children; namely, Cora Mabel, Flora Isabelle, Ora Alice, and Carroll W. Weymouth. Mr. Weymouth is a Master Mason and a member of Mount Kineo Lodge, of Guilford.

ALANSON GOOGINS, a venerable citizen of Lamoine, Hancock County, son of Rogers Googins (third), was born in this town, which was then called Trenton, March 13, 1813. His great-grandfather, Rogers Googins (first), emigrated from Ireland to America in Colonial days, settling in Middlesex County, Massachusetts, where he followed his trade of weaver.

Rogers Googins (second), the grandfather of Alanson, born in Pepperell, Me., removed with his parents to Saco, Me., when a small child. In his early manhood, accompanied by his brothers Joseph and Thomas, he came to Hancock County to reside. He settled at Trenton, on the Point, and was the first proprietor of land in the town. Clearing a space in the forest, he erected a log cabin, and at once began to reclaim a homestead. Of the two

hundred acres which he took up from the government, he subsequently deeded a portion to his brother Benjamin. With the courageous endurance and persistent energy characteristic of the pioneers, he redeemed a large part of the remainder from the wilderness; and at the time of his death, being then ninety-two years old, he had a good farm. Before the outbreak of the Revolution he married Mary E. Welch, a native of Mount Desert.

Rogers Googins (third), born June 5, 1774, in the old log cabin on the homestead, was there reared to man's estate. Although he never attended school, he acquired a knowledge far beyond that of his companions, and became a fine arithmetician and an expert penman. He attained a place of eminence among the villagers, and throughout the War of 1812 served as one of the town officers. After a useful life of sixty-seven years he passed to the next world. His wife, whose maiden name was Annie Coggins, was born July 4, 1772, at Yarmouth, N.S. Her father, Andrew Coggins, a pilot on the coast of Maine, was impressed into the British service during the Revolution, and kept on board a man-of-war for thirteen months. When he received his parole he took all his belongings on board his own vessel, and, coming to Surry, Hancock County, remained here until the close of the war. His daughter, Annie, had first married Captain Henry Higgins, of Bar Harbor, and had two children. Of her union with Rogers Googins (third) there were born ten children, of whom Alanson, the youngest, is the sole survivor.

Alanson Googins attended the district schools until old enough to go to sea. Then he began coasting between this port and New York. On coming of age he left the homestead and went to Ellsworth, where he worked at the ship-carpenter's trade, assisting in building many vessels, and being for a long time an employe of the father of Judge Peters. He was also engaged in farming there on a limited scale. Since returning to Lamoine he has been active in local affairs, and he served for a number of terms as Selectman. His first Presidential vote was cast in 1836 for Martin Van Buren, since which time he has affiliated with the Democratic party, although previously a Whig.

Mr. Googins married Huldah Haines, daughter of Captain Haines, of Trenton, who served in the American army throughout the entire period of the Revolution, and who at his death at the remarkable age of one hundred and four years was drawing a pension for his services in that war. Mr. and Mrs. Googins had five children, namely: Ardel, the wife of Edward L. Hodgkins, of Bar Harbor; George A., a resident of Cambridge, Mass.; Eben H., who is an Alderman of Cambridge, Mass.; John, who is in business in Boston; and Otis, who lives in Lamoine. Mrs. Googins died October 9, 1886, aged seventy years.

GERVAIS NOLIN, founder of the Nolin Manufacturing Company, of Skowhegan, was born in St. Gervais, P.Q., February 15, 1830, son of François, third,

and Marguerite (Chabot) Nolin. His great-grandfather, François Nolin, first, was a native of the Island of Orleans. He learned the gunsmith's trade, and was engaged in that calling during the entire active period of his life. François Nolin, second, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, followed his father's trade in Canada, and made guns by hand. He lived to be seventy-five years old. He married Marie Coultre, a native of St. Charles, Bellechasse County, P. Q., and had a family of four sons and five daughters. The sons were: François, Gervais (who died in Santa Fé, Mexico), Petre, and Benoit (who died in 1812).

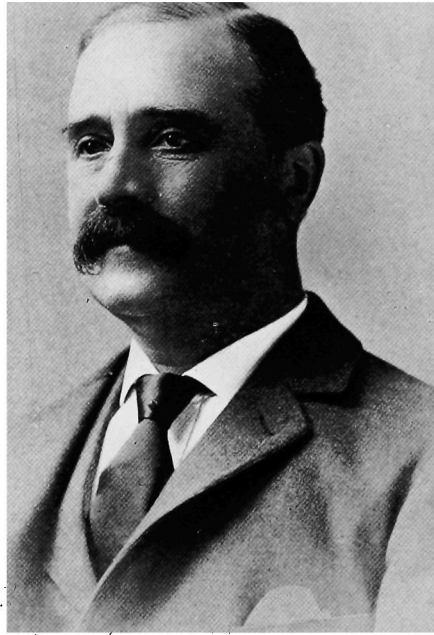
François Nolin, third, Gervais Nolin's father, was born in St. Charles, P. Q. He was a blacksmith by trade, and about the year 1812 he established himself in business at St. Gervais, where he resided for the rest of his life. The same year he married Marguerite Chabot, a native of St. Charles. She became the mother of thirteen children, eight of whom grew to maturity, Gervais, the subject of this sketch, being the eleventh-born.

Gervais Nolin attended the common and high schools of his native town. He became a skilled mechanic, learning the manufacture of iron and steel implements. In 1848 he located in North Wayne, Me., where he was employed by the North Wayne Scythe Company for fifteen years. For the succeeding fourteen years he was foreman or mechanical superintendent for the Dunn Tool Company at Oakland, Me. In 1878 he became associated with his brother, Mitchell Nolin, in the man-

ufacture of scythes, hay knives, and grass hooks in Skowhegan. The concern continued in business until 1895, when Mitchell Nolin withdrew, and Frank A. Nolin, son of Gervais, with others, was admitted to partnership, the business being continued up to the present time under the style of The Nolin Manufacturing Company. Mr. Nolin is not only a skilled mechanic, but an excellent business man. He is a member of Lafayette Lodge, No. 48, F. & A. M., of Readfield, and of the chapter R. A. M. in Hallowell, Me.

On July 4, 1852, Mr. Nolin was united in marriage with Celia A. Fillebrowne, of Wayne, Me. He has had three sons: Frank A., who is a graduate of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary at Kent's Hill and a member of the Nolin Manufacturing Company, having charge of the office and selling department; Gervais E., who was a jeweller in Boston, and died November 5, 1896; and John Henry, who died at the age of seven years. Mrs. Nolin died April 7, 1898.

JAMES M. BRAVN, of Guilford, Piscataquis County, one of the town's representative agriculturists, was born in Foxcroft, Me., January 31, 1834, son of Arthur and Hannah (Packard) Brawn. His grandfather, Peter Brawn, who was an early settler in Madison, Me., moved from that town to Township No. 8, now Willimantic, where he spent many years in farming and hunting. Peter's last days were passed in Guilford, where he died, about eighty-five



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years old. His wife, Betsey Brawn, lived to an advanced age.

Arthur Brawn, who was a native of Madison, spent his early years in Foxcroft. In 1842 he settled upon a tract of wild land in the north-eastern part of Guilford before the construction of county roads. Possessing much physical strength, he continued robust until far advanced in years. Of good moral principles, he held liberal opinions in religion, and in politics was a Democrat. He was active up to the time of his death, which occurred when he was eighty-seven years old. His wife, Hannah, was a daughter of Shepard Packard, a Revolutionary soldier. Mr. Packard, who was among the early settlers of Foxcroft, subsequently moved to Aroostook County, where he resided for forty years, and died at the age of ninety. Of the six children born to Arthur and Hannah Brawn, three are living, namely: James M., the subject of this sketch; Vesta, who is the widow of Andrew Witham, and resides in Guilford; and Thomas J. Brawn, of this town. The others were: Jefferson, Lucy, and Cordelia. The mother died at the age of sixty years.

James M. Brawn acquired his education in an old log school-house, which was provided with benches made of hemlock plank and heated by means of a stone fireplace. He resided at home until after his marriage, when he settled upon land in the vicinity of his present residence. He has occupied the latter since 1868. His estate contains one hundred and fifty acres of fertile land, well adapted for general farming. In 1860 he was joined

in marriage with Rosette M. Witham. Born in Somerset County, February 22, 1842, she is a daughter of Samuel and Eunice (Merrill) Witham. Her children are: Gorham, born December 15, 1862; Dennis J., born December 14, 1864; Bert G., born November 28, 1867; Belle P., born May 30, 1870; and Perley A., born May 15, 1877. Gorham A. Brawn is engaged in farming in Guilford. Dennis J., who resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the homestead, on November 3, 1885, married Angie Gray, a native of Canada, and has one daughter, Mabel M. Bert G., who carries on a farm in Kenduskeag, Me., in October, 1893, married Belle Gray, a sister of his brother's wife. Belle P. Brawn married Oswell Pyne on August 8, 1887, has four children — Freeman, Myrtie M., Cloyd, and Queenie — and resides in Fairfield, Me. Perley A. Brawn on April 1, 1898, married Carrie Brown, of Guilford, a daughter of Hosten and Clara Brown. Politically, Mr. Brawn, Sr., is a Democrat. In religious matters he has no preference for any denomination. Mrs. Brawn is a member of the Congregational church.

STEPHEN SEDGLEY PINEO, a prominent wholesale and retail merchant of Milltown, Me., his native place, was born February 10, 1850, son of David and Amelia (Hall Sedgley) Pineo. On the paternal side he traces his lineage back to Jacques Pineo, a young Waldensian or Huguenot, who in 1688 on account of religious persecution fled from France to Eng-

land, and with a companion named Goulard took the oath of allegiance to the English government in London.

This Jacques Pineo seems to have returned to France, as a short time later, 1690, he escaped from Lyons, where the king's troops were executing Protestants, and, seeking refuge in America, landed at Plymouth. He settled in Lebanon, Conn., and in 1706 married Dorothy Babcock.

His son, Peter Pineo, married Elizabeth Sampson, daughter of David and Mary (Chaffin) Sampson, of Duxbury, Mass. Vinton, the genealogist, considers it beyond a reasonable doubt that David Sampson here named was the son of Caleb and Mercy (Standish) Sampson. Caleb was the youngest son of Henry Sampson, one of the "Mayflower" Pilgrims; and Caleb's wife, Mercy, was a daughter of Alexander and Sarah (Alden) Standish and grand-daughter of Captain Myles Standish and of John and Priscilla Alden. In 1763 Peter and Elizabeth (Sampson) Pineo removed to Cornwallis, N.S., drawn thither by the large land grants offered by the British government to those who would settle in the country which the unfortunate Acadians had been forced to vacate. They were the parents of seven children; and their son Jonathan, the next in this line, settled in Machias in 1770.

Jonathan Pineo was a prominent resident of Machias, serving as a member of the Board of Assessors. He was an active member of the First church, and assisted financially in erecting the first meeting-house. He died in

April, 1796, aged forty-nine years. His first wife was Esther Libby, born in Machias in May, 1750, daughter of Timothy and Sarah (Stone) Libby. She bore him eight sons and three daughters, of whom David was the third-born. Jonathan Pineo married for his second wife Mrs. Bridget Doty, born Byron, daughter of an Admiral in the British navy.

David Pineo, Sr., son of Jonathan and Esther (Libby) Pineo and grandfather of Stephen S. Pineo, was born in Machias, February 17, 1774, and acquired prominence among the business men of that town in his day. He eventually removed to St. Stephen, N. B., where he died some years later, on January 24, 1863. On December 13, 1796, he married Priscilla Hill, who was born in Machias, July 28, 1780, and who died in St. Stephen, September 30, 1850. She was the mother of eight children.

David Pineo, Jr., son of David, Sr., and his wife, Priscilla, was born in Machias, September 25, 1803. When a young man he came to Calais, making his way through the woods by the aid of spotted trees; and in 1836 he engaged in the manufacture of lumber, which he followed successfully for ten years. About the year 1846 he embarked in mercantile business. This he carried on a number of years, his last days being passed in retirement. He died October 5, 1862. Previous to the Rebellion he voted with the Democratic party, but in 1861 he became a Republican. In his younger days he was actively interested in military affairs. In his religious belief he was a Methodist, and for many

years was identified with that church as an official and a class leader. On February 6, 1832, David Pineo married Mrs. Amelia Hall Sedgley, born in St. Stephen, March 9, 1807, daughter of John Hall. Of the eight children born of this union, five lived to maturity, namely: Josiah; George W.; Minerva; David; and Stephen S., the subject of this sketch. Josiah Hill was employed in the custom-house at Milltown. George W. is a mechanic. Minerva married James A. Roberts, of Waterboro, Me. Mr. Roberts at the time of his marriage was teaching school in Calais. Afterward he removed to Buffalo, N.Y., and established a large law business in that city. At the present time he is serving his second term as Comptroller of the State. Mr. Roberts is the father of two children: Joseph Banks, a graduate of Bowdoin College and Buffalo Law School; and Amelia Pineau. David Pineo is a successful railroad engineer residing at Moncton, N.B.

Stephen Sedgley Pineo was educated in the schools of Milltown, and at the age of fifteen he began work upon the boom. When eighteen years old he was placed in charge of the boom, a position he occupied until 1872. In the spring of 1873 he became a clerk in the store of James G. Smith, remaining until the failure of his employer, when he was stricken with a severe illness, which continued for two years. On October 23, 1877, a short time after his recovery, he established himself in business, having borrowed sufficient capital to make the start. After struggling for a while to keep his little business from being a

failure, his zeal and integrity won for him many friends. At the present time he is carrying on one of the largest general stores in Washington County, besides a flourishing meat market. He has five storehouses, and is a member of the firm of Pineo & Brown, dealers in boots and shoes. He is a large stockholder in and a director of the Milltown Grist Mill Company and a director of the Dr. Thompson Medical Company.

On June 30, 1876, Mr. Pineo married Annie T. Brown, daughter of Alexander and Sarah Brown, of Milltown. Mrs. Pineo died June 16, 1896, leaving two children: Louise A., who is a student of Wellesley College; and Stephen.

Politically, Mr. Pineo supports the Republican party. He has been frequently solicited to accept nominations to public offices, but he has invariably declined, as his business interests demand his undivided attention. He is connected with the Knights of Pythias. Mr. Pineo resides at the old homestead on Main Street, which the family have occupied since 1832.

GEORGE W. HARVEY, a well-known business man of Atkinson, Piscataquis County, son of Sargent and Maria (Bartlett) Harvey, was born in this town, November 8, 1850. His grandfather, Jonathan Harvey, was a pioneer of Atkinson. His father was the second white child born in this town. The mother was a daughter of Josiah Bartlett, of Garland, Me. A more extended account of his parents will be found in the

biography of Addison Harvey, which appears elsewhere in the REVIEW

Young Harvey attended the public schools, and assisted his father on the home farm until he was twenty-two years old. He then went to California, where he spent a year in lumbering. Upon his return he became associated with his brother, Addison Harvey, in conducting a saw and grist mill and manufacturing shingles. The firm of Harvey Brothers was unusually prosperous. Besides a large farm, owned by each individually, they are joint proprietors of the mill property and about seven hundred acres of land. Some time since George W. Harvey withdrew from the mill business, and bought an interest in what is known as the Washburn Combination Ironing Board, Wash Bench, and Step-ladder. In company with Mr. Washburn, the inventor and patentee, he is now manufacturing the novelty, which is selling well throughout the country. In politics he is a Republican, and he has been the chairman of the Republican Town Committee for many years. He has served with ability as first Selectman for three years, and for fifteen years he held the office of Town Clerk. As Justice of the Peace he transacts a great deal of legal business, including that of a conveyancer. He is connected with Kineo Lodge, No. 64, I. O. O. F., and with the encampment. A Free Will Baptist in religious belief, he serves the church in the capacity of Deacon.

Mr. Harvey married Isabel Tewksbury, a daughter of Daniel Tewksbury, of Atkinson. Her maternal grandfather, Captain Turner,

an Englishman and a sailor, while serving as mate of a British vessel during the Revolutionary War, with others of the crew who sympathized with the American cause, overpowered the captain, brought the vessel into Castine, Me., and sold her. With his share of the prize money he bought a large tract of land in Atkinson, where he cleared a farm, and resided here for the rest of his life. After his return from California, Mr. Harvey purchased the Turner farm, and has since occupied it as a homestead. His business ability and political services are highly appreciated by his fellow-townsmen, with whom he is very popular. His only son died young.

WILLIAM J. TREFETHEN, M.D., a rising young physician of New Portland, was born in Wilton, Me., October 20, 1866, son of Joseph and Susan B. (Webster) Trefethen. The father, a native of Monhegan Island, Me., has spent the greater part of his life in Wilton, of which town he is a prosperous farmer. Susan B. Trefethen, his wife, who was born in Wilton, has had seven children; namely, Henry E., Fred E., Ella S., Annie M., William Walter, William J., and Mellie. Henry E., who is now a professor in Maine Wesleyan Seminary at Kent's Hill, married Alice R. Porter, of Mount Vernon, Me., who is no longer living. Fred E. married Addie M. Bump, and is following the carpenter's trade in Wilton. Ella S. is residing at home. Annie M. is the widow of Clarence L. Snow, and resides with her

brother at Kent's Hill. William Walter died at the age of two years and four months, and Mellie is the wife of H. J. Ellsworth, a stirring agriculturist of Farmington, Me.

William J. Trefethen went from the common schools to the Wilton Academy and thence to the Wesleyan Seminary, which he attended for six years. During that period he taught school for several terms. His medical studies were begun with a year's course at the Maine Medical School in Brunswick, and completed at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Baltimore, Md., from which he graduated in the class of 1894. Then he located in New Portland, where he has found a wide field for practice, and has already laid the foundation of a successful career. A stock of drugs and chemicals kept at his office is the main source of supply for these articles in this locality. Outside his professional duties he is actively concerned in securing the introduction of public improvements, being at the present time the treasurer of the local telephone company, which operates a line between Farmington and North New Portland. He is the president of the Board of Health and a member of the School Board. In politics he is a Republican.

On June 29, 1891, Dr. Trefethen was united in marriage with Sadie Smith, who was born in Fayette, Me., June 29, 1868, the eldest child of Washington B. and Etta (Jordan) Smith. Her father, a native of Fayette, died April 12, 1891; and her mother, who was born in North Yarmouth, Me., is now living with her (Mrs. Smith's) father in

Readfield, Me. The other children of Mrs. Trefethen's parents are: Arthur, who married Mary Barber, of Cumberland Mills, where he resides, and is the baggage-master on the Mountain Division of the Maine Central Railroad; Edith V., the wife of Chase E. Fogg, a farmer of Readfield; and Ralph W. Smith, also residing in Readfield. Mrs. Trefethen died September 24, 1897, leaving no children.

The Doctor is a Mason of Lafayette Lodge, No. 48, F. & A. M., of Readfield; and of Franklin Chapter and Pilgrim Commandery, of Farmington; a member of the Order of the Golden Cross, of New Portland; and of the Franklin County Medical Society. Through his gentlemanly courtesy and an earnest desire to faithfully perform his professional duties he has formed many personal friends and acquaintances, all of whom appreciate his ability as a physician and his worth as a citizen. Dr. Trefethen attends the Universalist church.

RAMONT ROBINSON, one of Hartland's stirring farmers and tradesmen, was born in Exeter, Penobscot County, Me., March 26, 1850, son of John and Deborah (Sanborn) Robinson. His father was a native of Exeter and his mother a native of Belfast, Me.

John Robinson was a millwright by trade. He plied his calling for many years in the lumber manufacturing districts of Maine, and erected several mills at Old Town and other places. He finally settled upon a parcel

of land in Hartland, Somerset County, where two of his sons had previously built a saw-mill, and here he resided for the rest of his life. To him and his wife, Deborah, were born seven children, namely: William Harrison, who married Susan Mitchell and is a millman at Fort Kent, Aroostook County; Sarah, who died in 1892; John, who died in 1872; Lamont, the subject of this sketch; Clara, who died young; Frank, who married Orilla Hubbard and is a millman in Sherman, Me.; and Ada, wife of Scott Blaisdell, a blacksmith of Hartland. The mother died in September, 1896.

Lamont Robinson acquired a common-school education, and remained at the parental home until twenty-one years old. He started in life as a lumber manufacturer in Pittsfield, where he was associated with Charles Babcock in operating a saw-mill for three years; and he later worked in both the lumber and cotton mills of Lewiston. He was employed as a millman in Augusta and Waterville, was for some years at work upon a railroad in New Hampshire, and from 1884 to 1886 he operated a saw-mill in Alpena, Mich. He finally settled upon his present farm of eighty acres in Hartland. He also owns land in St. Albans. He is now following the painter's trade in connection with farming, and his industry is attended with good financial results.

Mr. Robinson married Nellie S. Davis, daughter of John A. and Sarah Jane (Spaulding) Davis, the former of whom is a carpenter and farmer in this town.

Mr. Robinson is connected with Corinthian

Lodge, No. 95, F. & A. M.; Hartland Lodge, No. 101, I. O. O. F.; and Sebastacook Encampment, No. 33. In politics he is independent.

MON. WILLIAM PHILBRICK, of Skowhegan, Me., a well-known financier, was born in this town, January 12, 1823, a son of Samuel and Betsey (White) Philbrick. He is a representative of the eighth generation of the family founded by Thomas Philbrick, who with his wife, Elizabeth, emigrated from Lincolnshire, England, in 1630 to Watertown, Mass., and in 1645 removed with his family to Hampton, N.H. The descent of Mr. Philbrick is in the male line, as shown by the following brief record: James, son of Thomas, married Ann Roberts, and lived at Hampton. Joseph, their son, married Triphena Marston, and also lived in Hampton. Joseph's son Ephraim married Martha Wadleigh, and resided in Exeter, N.H. Their son Benjamin married Lydia Colcord, and resided in Exeter. Benjamin's son Samuel, born April 20, 1759, married Hannah Robinson, and resided in Exeter; and their son Samuel was born June 12, 1785.

Samuel Philbrick, the younger, the father of Mr. William Philbrick, was educated in the common schools and at Phillips Academy, Exeter. In 1808 he removed to Norridgewock, then Kennebec County, State of Massachusetts. That part of Norridgewock in 1822 was incorporated with the town of Milburn, Somerset County, State of Maine; and

in 1836, by act of the legislature, the name of Milburn was changed to Skowhegan. Thus, without changing his place of abode, Samuel Philbrick resided in two different States, two counties, and three towns. In 1810 he married Betsey White, daughter of John White, of Skowhegan, she being of the sixth generation from her immigrant ancestor, John White, who came from England in 1638, and settled in Massachusetts. Samuel Philbrick had considerable legal ability, and was a good accountant. For several years he was one of the Selectmen of Norridgewock and for many years first Selectman and Town Clerk of the towns of Milburn and Skowhegan. In 1833, when the State Bank in Skowhegan was organized, he was made cashier; and he held that position until 1849, when he was succeeded by his son William. Samuel Philbrick was a member of the Universalist church. He died in 1868, aged eighty-three.

William Philbrick was educated in the common schools of Skowhegan and at Bloomfield Academy. After leaving school he spent some time in the South and West. In December, 1845, he entered the store of A. & P. Coburn as clerk and book-keeper, they being the largest owners and operators in timber lands in the State. He was in their employ some four years. In October, 1849, he was chosen cashier of the Skowhegan State Bank, which in May, 1863, was changed to a national bank. He filled the position of cashier seventeen years, retiring in 1866. For several years after he was one of the directors of the bank. In the spring of 1865 he was

chosen treasurer of the Kennebec Log Driving Company, with which he was connected twenty-three years, resigning in 1888, in favor of his son, Samuel W.

Mr. Philbrick is one of the trustees of Bloomfield Academy and of the public library, and he has filled various political offices of trust. Originally a Whig, he cast his first Presidential vote for Henry Clay in 1844. He has since been connected with the Republican and the Greenback parties, and is now independent in his political views. In 1849 he was elected to the Skowhegan Board of Selectmen, and with two or three years' exception he was in office until 1862. During that time he was first Selectman and Town Clerk. In 1867 he was in the House of Representatives, and in 1868 was in the Governor's Council. In 1870, 1871, and 1872 he was State Bank Examiner; and during the last year as Bank Examiner he was elected to the State Senate. While in the Senate he served on the Committee on Banks and Banking, and was prominent in revising the laws of the saving-banks of the State. In 1879 he was Insurance Commissioner. In 1878 and 1880 he was the candidate of the Greenback party for Congress, and was defeated by a few votes. A man of the strictest integrity and honor, Mr. Philbrick has the esteem and confidence of his fellow-men. He was the executor of the estate of Alonzo Coburn, amounting to over four hundred thousand dollars, and was exempted from giving bond or filing an account in Probate Court.

In October, 1850, Mr. Philbrick was mar-

ried to Mary, daughter of Ichabod Russell, of Skowhegan. Five children blessed their union, three of whom are living, namely: Emma Philbrick Burrill, their only daughter, in Rochester, N.H.; Samuel White Philbrick, of Skowhegan, who is treasurer and secretary of the Kennebec Log Driving Company, Dead River Log Driving Company, Dead River North Branch Log Driving Company, Moose River Log Driving Company, and the Moosehead Lake Navigation Company; and Frederick Robinson Philbrick, who is superintendent of the Skowhegan branch of the Richards Paper Company. On religious subjects Mr. William Philbrick is a free and independent thinker.

EDWIN HILL, a prosperous general merchant of Dover South Mills, Piscataquis County, Me., was born in Garland, Penobscot County, this State, July 20, 1829, son of Aaron and Sarah A. (Holbrook) Hill. His father was a native of Holliston, Mass., and his mother was born at Dover in the same State. Aaron Hill, when a young man, worked at the forge as a blacksmith. Later he carried on a farm in Garland, Me., where he resided forty years. His last days were passed in Bangor. He lived to be eighty-three years old, while his wife died at seventy-nine. They were the parents of six children, three of whom are living, namely: Mrs. Sarah A. Rollins; Edwin, the subject of this sketch; and Amelia E. Hill. The others were: Ellen, Eudora, and Aaron.

Edwin Hill was reared and educated in Garland, and at the age of nineteen he came to Dover South Mills to learn the tanner's trade. In 1852 he went to California, where he worked in the mines about eighteen months, and upon his return he engaged in farming. In 1863, in the third year of the Civil War, he enlisted for the defence of the Union in Baker's cavalry, later known as the District of Columbia Cavalry; and in 1864 he was transferred to the First Maine Cavalry, Company F. He participated in the battles of Stony Peak, Weldon Railroad, Gannett's Station, Colfield Station, and Malvern Hill. Taken by the Confederates at Sycamore Church, September 16, 1864, he was confined in Libby and other Southern prisons until the following March, and was honorably discharged in August, 1865. After his return to Maine he engaged in mercantile business at Dover South Mills, and has since carried on a general country store in connection with farming.

In politics Mr. Hill is a Republican. He was formerly Tax Collector and a Selectman in Garland, and has served in the latter capacity in Dover. He has been Postmaster at Dover South Mills for the past twenty years except during Cleveland's administration, and has served as Justice of the Peace for twenty-nine years. In his religious views he is liberal. He has a wide acquaintance and is highly esteemed in business and social circles. He takes a lively interest in Doughty Post, No. 23, G. A. R., of which he is a comrade.

On July 4, 1850, Mr. Hill was united in marriage with Miss Clara H. Gowdy, a native



EDWIN HILL.

of Athens, Somerset County, Me. She died in June, 1884, having been the mother of twelve children, ten of whom are living; namely, Ella M., Frank E., Charles E., Carrie E., Ada M., Ava M., Elmer E., Edith L., Flora, and Grace M. A son, Aaron, died at the age of one year; and a daughter, Nora M., died aged twenty years in 1894. Ella M. married Charles C. Hurd, now of Dover. They have one child, Clara H. Frank E. resides in Carson City, Nev. Charles E. married Eva H. Jackman, of Lawrence, Mass. Carrie E. married Hiram Bearce, of Skowhegan. They have one child, Vera. Ada M. married Bert Galusha, of Sangerville, Me.; and Ava M., her twin sister, married Llewellyn A. Ayer, of Dover, Me. Elmer E. married Alice Merrill, of Lawrence, Mass., and has two children, one a son named Harold. Edith L. married Dr. W. Milliken, of Bartlett, N.H. Flora is a trained nurse at Portland, Me. Grace M. married Howard Carsley, of Dover, and has one child, Clifton E. In May, 1889, Mr. Hill married for his second wife Helen R. Ellis, of Charleston, Me. One child has been born of this union, a daughter, Ellen M., who attends school. Mrs. Hill is a member of the Baptist church at Charleston.

AUGUSTUS PERKINS, a retired merchant of Castine, Hancock County, Me., was born in Harrington, Me., Washington County, June 23, 1820, son of Thomas and Clara (Nash) Perkins. His paternal grandfather, Daniel Perkins, was a na-

tive of York, Me. He settled in Penobscot, Hancock County, previous to the Revolutionary War; and, when the British troops invaded this section, his buildings were burned and his cattle confiscated. He spent his last days in Penobscot, and lived to be about seventy years old. The maiden name of his wife was Penney.

Thomas Perkins, son of Daniel, was born in Penobscot. He acquired a good education, and for some time was engaged in teaching school in Harrington. Returning to his native town, he followed general farming in connection with lumbering for the rest of his active period. His wife, whose name before marriage was Clara Nash, was a native of Addison, Me. She became the mother of nine children, four of whom are living, namely: William N., who married Phœbe Perkins, and resides in Penobscot; Augustus, the subject of this sketch; Abbie, wife of Savillian Babson, of Brooksville, Me.; and Mary H., who is unmarried. The others were: Daniel M., Eliza Ann, A. G. Perkins, Edgar S., and Priscilla. Thomas Perkins died at the age of eighty years.

Augustus Perkins was educated in the public schools of Penobscot. He began life for himself as a store clerk, and from 1840 to 1860 was engaged in general mercantile business on his own account in his native town. Coming to Castine in 1865, he purchased the Jarvis store, and carried on a profitable trade for thirty-three years, at the end of which time he sold out to his son-in-law.

Mr. Perkins married Abbie H. Wilson,

daughter of Josiah and Annie (Perkins) Wilson, and has reared two daughters — Annie P. and Carrie P. Annie P. married Frank E. Lewis, who succeeded to her father's business. She has one daughter, Gertrude Lewis. Carrie P. married H. A. Hobbs, and resides in Portland, Me.

Mr. Perkins cast his first Presidential vote for Henry Clay in 1844. He has supported the Republican party ever since its formation, but has never sought for nor held public office. He is highly esteemed by his numerous friends and acquaintances throughout this section of the State. He is a member of the Masonic order.

WILLIAM STANLEY, formerly master of a coasting-vessel and now engaged in farming at Otter Creek, Mount Desert, Hancock County, Me., was born at North-east Harbor, Mount Desert Island and town, February 28, 1821, son of John and Charity (Savage) Stanley. His father was a native of North-east Harbor; and his paternal grandfather, Peter Stanley, who came from Salem, Mass., settled as a pioneer in that place.

Peter Stanley cleared new land, erected a frame house, and was engaged in farming and fishing, selling his fares in the Boston market. He resided at the Harbor for the rest of his life, attaining the advanced age of over eighty-six years. John Stanley, William Stanley's father, was engaged in the fishing industry to some extent, but his principal oc-

cupation was ship-carpentering. He owned a farm at Otter Creek, where his last days were spent; and he lived to be seventy-six years old. He reared a family of twelve children, nine of whom are living, all residing upon the island except Eliza, the eldest, who is in Iowa.

William Stanley was educated in the district schools, and when he was fourteen years old became a sailor. He followed the sea for ten years, some of the time as skipper of a schooner engaged in fishing and coasting, and then retired to his farm at Otter Creek.

The following-named children have been born to Mr. Stanley and his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Young Stanley, daughter of Elisha Young, of Otter Creek: Otis, who died at eighteen years; Eunice, at sixteen; Edward, at fourteen; Wallace, who resides at Hull's Cove; Tyler, who married Carrie V. Higgins, and has one son, Lionel D.; William, who died at the age of eight years; Jared R., who died at six; Henry, who married Annie Whitmore; Lizzie, who died aged four years; and Walter L. Stanley, who is unmarried and resides at home with his parents.

Mr. Stanley cast his first Presidential vote for Henry Clay in 1844, and has been a Republican since the formation of that party.

MRS. CECELIA A. CHANDLER, a dealer in dry goods, groceries, ship-chandlery, etc., at Jonesport, Washington County, was born in this town, April 28, 1844, daughter of Charles

M. and Sylvia J. (Walker) Woodward. Her great-grandfather Josiah Woodward, was an early settler in Lubec; and her grandparents, Charles and Priscilla (Jewell) Woodward, were residents of that town. Mrs. Chandler's father, who was born in Lubec, April 8, 1818, served an apprenticeship to the carpenter's trade in his native town. In 1842 he settled in Jonesport, where he has since resided. He is a well-known master builder, having erected many houses and other buildings in this locality. One of his latest erections was a new and commodious store-room for his daughter. More or less active in public affairs, he has served as Selectman, Town Treasurer, and Overseer of the Poor. In politics he is a Democrat. Sylvia J. Woodward, his wife, born in Jonesport, July 23, 1823, was a daughter of Joshua and Mary (Sawyer) Walker, who were born, he in Woolwich, Me., May 15, 1789, and she in Jonesport, May 20, 1783. Joshua Walker was in early life a ship-carpenter, and later carried on a mercantile business in this town. He died in 1852, and his wife died September 22, 1868. Of their children, Sylvia J. was the second-born. The others were born as follows: Mary A., November 9, 1820; Louisa A., July 21, 1825; Joshua S., May 23, 1828; and Margaret S., January 23, 1830. All but Joshua and Margaret are now deceased. Charles M. and Sylvia J. Woodward had nine children, five of whom are living, namely: Mrs. C. A. Chandler and Charles A.; Alice, the wife of Charles G. Stevens; Joshua S. and Nelson H. Woodward. These all reside in

Jonesport. The others were: Mary A., Maggie E., Annie C., and Lizzie. Lizzie was the wife of John Ames. The mother died June 7, 1894.

Mrs. Chandler is the widow of Hersey B. Chandler, a native of Steuben, Me., whom she married in 1863. Her husband was a joiner by trade, which he followed until he enlisted in Company C, Sixth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry. He was killed in the Civil War in 1864, having been previously advanced to the rank of Corporal. In 1867 Mrs. Chandler started in business upon a small scale. Since then her trade has steadily advanced to its present prosperous condition. Her spacious store is well stocked with fresh, salable goods; and the people of Jonesport seem anxious to avail themselves of every opportunity to commend her business ability and upright character. She favors the teachings of the Latter Day Saints.

DAVID C. JEWETT, an energetic and thrifty farmer of Madison, Somerset County, Me., was born November 14, 1848, on the farm where he now resides. His paternal grandfather, Jonas Jewett, Sr., was the first of the family to settle in this part of the State of Maine, coming here in the early part of the present century and locating in the town of Solon, where he passed his remaining days.

Jonas Jewett, Jr., father of David C., was born and bred in Solon. While yet a young man he came to Madison to engage in agricult-

ural pursuits, and, having purchased the estate now known as the Jewett farm, was actively engaged in his chosen occupation until his decease in 1867. His union with Miss Sally S. Colby, who was born in Madison, was blessed by the birth of six children, of whom David C. was the only one to grow to mature years, the others being Charles, Jonas, Cyrus, and two that died very young. The mother survived her husband many years, passing to the life immortal in 1893.

David C. Jewett acquired his education in the district school near his home and at the Bloomfield Academy in Skowhegan. His services being needed by his parents, he always remained on the home farm, which eventually became his by inheritance. It contains one hundred and thirty acres of finely improved land, which he devotes with good success to general farming, including stock-raising and dairying. Under his management the Jewett homestead has been kept in excellent condition, bearing evidence of his practical ability and industry.

On February 20, 1871, Mr. Jewett was united in marriage with Miss Louisa Moore, who was born in Moose River township, a daughter of Joseph and Louisa (Langley) Moore. Her father was a well-to-do farmer of Moose River, where both he and his wife passed the greater part of their lives. Mr. and Mrs. Jewett have two children — Alice B. and Sadie L. The elder daughter married H. M. Hilton, an express messenger on the Maine Central Railway, and resides at Skowhegan. For some time Mr. Hilton was sta-

tioned at Bartlett, N.H. In politics Mr. Jewett is a straight Republican, but has never been an aspirant for official honors. He is an Odd Fellow, belonging to Carrabasset Lodge, No. 34, I. O. O. F., of Skowhegan.

CAPTAIN EDWIN P. HUTCHINGS, a well-known shipmaster of Orland, Me., was born in this town, October 22, 1836, son of Edward and Mary (Smith) Hutchings. He represents the third generation of his family in Hancock County, his home being near the spot where his paternal grandfather, who bore the name Jeremiah, settled as a pioneer. Jeremiah Hutchings was a native of York, Me. He lived to be over eighty years old.

His son Edward, Captain Hutchings's father, who also was born in York, accompanied him to this town, and, later occupying a farm in the same locality, was for a long period successfully engaged in its cultivation. The death of Edward Hutchings took place in his seventy-third year. He and his wife, Mary Smith, were the parents of ten children, five of whom have departed this life; namely, Adela, Stephen, Seth, Polly, and Samuel. The survivors are: Reuben, who married Nancy Gray, and is a ship calker in Orland; Ann, who married Samuel Gray; Edward, who married Melinda Gray; Edwin P., twin brother of Edward and the subject of this sketch; and Maria, wife of Harmon D. Gray, all residents of Orland.

Edwin P. Hutchings was educated in the

district schools of his native town. At the age of sixteen he began going to sea, shipping before the mast, and in a few years becoming a master mariner. He has now for nearly forty years been engaged in both the coastwise and foreign trades. During this time he has sailed in his own vessels, and at present he is the owner of three schooners, all hailing from Orland.

Captain Hutchings married Julia Robbins, of Deer Isle, and is the father of five children—Seth, Nettie F., Mary H., Ivyl L., and Arthur E. Seth married Martha Facto. Nettie F. married for her first husband Frank B. Gross. He died leaving one daughter, Mamie; and she married for her second husband Oscar T. Sanders. Mary H. married Elmer S. Barnard, and has two children—Gertrude and Adrial. Ivyl L. married Josephine Ames, and has two sons—Guy E. and Ivyl L., Jr. Arthur E. Hutchings married Rose Snowman. They have one child, Pearl.

In politics Captain Hutchings is a Democrat. He is widely and favorably known in shipping circles as both capable and trustworthy, and is highly respected by his fellow-townsmen. He is a member of Rising Sun Lodge, F. & A. M., No. 71, of Orland; and also a member of the New England Order of Protection.

GEORGE A. WING, a retired farmer of Fairfield, Somerset County, was born in Sidney, Kennebec County, Me., December 15, 1817, son of Allen and Olive (Weeks) Wing. His paternal grandparents

were Stephen and Dorothy (Allen) Wing, of Sandwich, Barnstable County, Mass., where John Wing, the immigrant progenitor of this branch of the family, was one of the earliest settlers.

Allen Wing came from Sandwich, Mass., to Sidney, when he was twelve years old, accompanying his father, Stephen Wing, who settled upon a farm in that town. Allen Wing remained in Sidney until 1830, when he moved to a farm in Fairfield; and with the exception of six years spent in Providence, R.I., as superintendent of the Friends' School, he resided here for the rest of his earthly life, which ended April 8, 1879, at the age of ninety-one years. Mrs. Olive Weeks Wing, his wife, was a native of Sidney. They had two children, namely: Elvira, who was born December 22, 1813, and died November 23, 1826; and George A., the subject of this sketch. An adopted daughter, Mary Ann, married Samuel Bicknell. She died October 15, 1878. The mother died August 15, 1864.

George A. Wing was educated in the common schools, and then served an apprenticeship at the carpenter's trade, which he subsequently followed for some years. After that for a number of years he carried on general farming energetically, first taking charge of the homestead property, which he cultivated for some time previous to moving to his present farm. On this estate he erected the house he now occupies, besides making other improvements. He has now practically retired from active labor.

On June 8, 1840, Mr. Wing was united in

marriage with Louisa Varney, of Fairfield, daughter of Levi and Sarah (Allen) Varney, the former of whom was a farmer. His first wife having died, he married her brother Caleb's widow, Mrs. Fidelia Varney, a daughter of Edward Goodwin, formerly a prosperous farmer of Fairfield. To Mr. Wing and his first wife were born two children: George E., who is no longer living; and Charles, who married Clara Bowman, and is now a carpenter in Everett, Mass.

In politics Mr. Wing is a Republican. He is a member of the Society of Friends, and takes an active interest in their meetings; and Mrs. Wing is a member of the Christian church.

HORACE W. STEWART, a well-known lawyer of Hartland, Somerset County, who was formerly Judge of the Municipal Court at Waterville, was born in this town, February 24, 1852. A son of Horace M. and Hannah J. (Wilson) Stewart, he represents a much respected family. The paternal great-grandfather, Abraham Stewart, moving from Canaan, Me., became a pioneer of St. Albans, where he cleared a farm, and thereon resided for the rest of his life. His wife's maiden name was McKechney. The grandfather, Deacon James Stewart, was an industrious farmer and lifelong resident of St. Albans.

Horace M. Stewart, the father, who was born in St. Albans, early in life settled in Hartland. For several years he was the proprietor of the two public houses here, the

Hartland and Park Hotels, and was also engaged in farming. In 1859 he moved to Bangor, where he entered the grocery trade, and is still carrying on business. Hannah J. Stewart, his wife, who is a native of Newport, became the mother of three children—Edward H., Horace W., and Amanda J. Edward H. Stewart, now in business with his father, married Ada Bryant, who is now deceased. Amanda J. married William W. Seavey, who is also in the grocery business in Bangor.

Horace W. Stewart completed his early education at the Bangor High School in 1871. After graduating from Colby University with the class of 1874, he remained there as a tutor for one year. Having commenced the study of law with the Hon. Reuben Foster, of Waterville, he finished his preparations for the legal profession in the office of the Hon. Harris M. Plaisted, then of Bangor, and was admitted to the Kennebec County bar in December, 1875. Then, entering into partnership with Mr. Foster, he was associated with that able lawyer for some time. In 1880 he was appointed Judge of the Municipal Court in Waterville, and he served in that position for twelve years. He continued to practice his profession in Waterville until 1895, when he moved to Hartland, taking an office on Commercial Street in the vicinity of the post-office. Since then he has built up a large and profitable law business.

In October, 1877, Judge Stewart was joined in marriage with Mary S. West, a daughter of James M. and Ann N. (Soule) West, both of whom are now deceased. The former was a



HORACE W. STEWART.

tailor and clothing manufacturer of Waterville. Mrs. Stewart is the mother of one son, Raymond, born in August, 1878. In politics Judge Stewart acts with the Republican party, and while residing in Waterville he was a member of the County Republican Committee. An advanced Mason, he is a member of Maine Consistory, thirty-second degree, and of the various subordinate organizations. He is also a member of Havelock Lodge, No. 35, Knights of Pythias, Waterville; and Baird Division, No. 9, Uniform Rank, K. P. At one time he was Colonel of the First Regiment of Maine, U. R. K. P. Judge Stewart is an attendant at the Methodist Episcopal church.

CHARLES A. MOULTON, M.D., for upward of ten years a successful medical practitioner of Somerset, his native county, first settled at St. Albans and now at Hartland, was born in Concord, Me., March 12, 1860. He is the only son of Lorenzo H. Moulton by his first wife, Sarah Piper, a native of Madison, Me., who died in 1863, leaving but one child.

The father is a native of Concord. He removed from that town to New Portland, and is still actively engaged in tilling the soil. He married for his second wife Charity Strickland, of Embden, Me. She is the mother of four children, namely: Lorenzo Edward, principal of the high school in Rockland, Me.; Carrie, wife of Charles Healy, an overseer in a mill in Pittsfield; Adelbert H., a resident of New Portland and a student at Colby Uni-

versity; and Ethel, who lives at home with her parents.

Charles A. Moulton completed his early education at the Westbrook Seminary in 1881, and was graduated from the medical department of Bowdoin College with the class of 1884. He remained in New Portland until July, 1885, at which time he opened an office at St. Albans, where he continued in practice until October, 1897, when he removed to Hartland in order to secure the advantage of a larger and more populous field.

On June 3, 1885, Dr. Moulton married Abbie A. Lunt, daughter of Josiah and Elizabeth (Woodside) Lunt. She was born on January 27, 1861, in Brunswick, Me., the native town of her parents, who are no longer living. Her father died in the army. Dr. and Mrs. Moulton have one daughter, Ina M., born January 30, 1891.

In politics the Doctor is a Republican. While residing in St. Albans he served with ability as Supervisor of Schools. He is a member of the Somerset County Medical Society, the Waterville Clinical Society, and the Maine Medical Association. He is also connected with Corinthian Lodge, No. 95, F. & A. M., and the Patrons of Husbandry. He attends the Methodist Episcopal church.

GEORGE CARLETON, the Postmaster of Danforth, Washington County, is a native of Winterport, Me. Born September 19, 1857, he is a son of J. C. L. and Asenath A. (Hurd) Carleton, who are natives

respectively of Winterport and Waldoboro, Me. The father has been a stone-mason and a stevedore during the active period of his life, and is still residing in Winterport. In politics he is a Republican. Both he and his wife are Methodists in religious belief. They have five children living; namely, Martha, Eleanor, George, Amos, and Bertha.

Reared and educated in Winterport, George Carleton learned the trades of a jeweller and watchmaker. In 1886 he located in Danforth. Four years after he engaged in printing. After editing and publishing the *Border News* for three years, he disposed of the paper in order to give his undivided attention to the job printing and stationery business. He was appointed Postmaster in July, 1897. In 1883 he was united in marriage with Lillian E. Hackett, of Winterport. He has one daughter, Leola, born in 1889.

An able and enterprising business man, he is much esteemed by his townsmen, who have retained him upon the Board of Selectmen since 1891. He also holds the commission of a Trial Justice, with jurisdiction in Washington and Aroostook Counties. Politically, he is a Republican.

ANSON J. ROBINSON, a prosperous dairy farmer of Dover, Piscataquis County, and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in Garland, Me., October 23, 1843. A son of James G. and Mary (Bell) Robinson, he is a descendant of Elder John Robinson. His paternal grandfather, also

named John, a native of New Hampshire, who was a soldier in the War of 1812, first settled in Freedom, Me., and later in Dover, where he cleared a farm located on Bear Hill. Grandfather Robinson died at the age of sixty-seven years. Of his seven sons and three daughters, Mary G. is the only survivor. James G. Robinson, fourth son of John, had carried on a farm in Garland for some time when he was accidentally killed while assisting at the raising of a mill, being then twenty-eight years old. His wife, Mary, who was a native of Jay, Me., lived sixty-seven years. She was the mother of three children, namely: David H. Robinson, of Garland; Anson J., the subject of this sketch; and Melissa, who died at the age of eighteen years.

Anson J. Robinson has resided in Dover since he was ten years old. He completed his education at the Foxcroft Academy. In 1862 he enlisted in Company I, Twenty-second Regiment, Maine Volunteers, Captain A. C. Lambert, and afterward served in the Civil War, on the Lower Mississippi, until his term expired. On January 1, 1864, he re-enlisted in Company C, First Maine Cavalry, which took part in the battles of Cold Harbor, the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, and other engagements. He was taken prisoner on June 24 of the same year, and was confined in Libby Prison and Lynchburg for a time. From the latter place he was compelled to walk to Danville, a distance of seventy-five miles, without food, finally reaching Andersonville Prison. After a time he was exchanged at Savannah,

and subsequently rejoined his regiment. He was honorably discharged from the service in 1865. After his return to civil life he engaged in farming. Since 1882 he has occupied his present farm, near the village, containing one hundred and seventy-five acres. The property is situated on elevated ground, overlooking the Piscataquis valley, and is well adapted to general farming. Besides carrying on the latter, Mr. Robinson attends a paying milk route, and keeps an average of twenty cows.

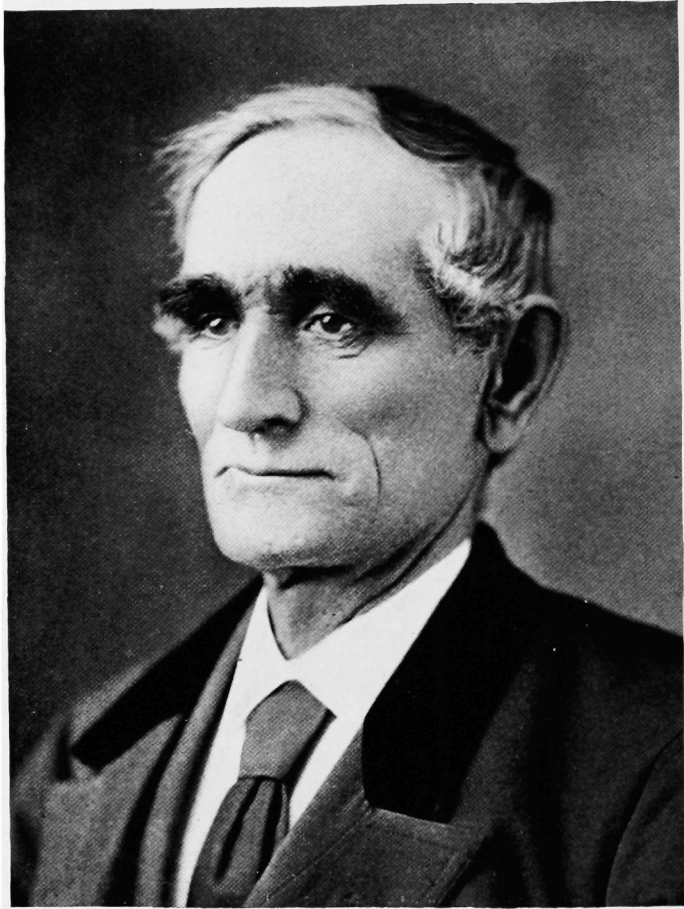
In 1878 Mr. Robinson was united in marriage with Eliza Atkinson, a daughter of Timothy and Arminda Atkinson. Mrs. Robinson is the mother of seven children; namely, Fred A., John H., Ada H., Ida M., Helen E., Marion A., and Melissa F. Mr. Robinson is a member of C. S. Doughty Post, of Dover, and of the Patrons of Husbandry in South Dover, Grange No. 261.

ISAIAH YOUNG, a venerable and well-to-do farmer of Lamoine, Hancock County, was born here, December 13, 1810, when the town was called Trenton. He comes of Massachusetts ancestry, his grandfather, Elknah Young, having been born and reared on Cape Cod. In common with the companions of his boyhood Elknah Young was brought up to a seafaring life, and subsequently obtained his livelihood by fishing. Accompanied by a sister, he came to Hancock County in the latter part of the last century, and for a time continued his chosen occupa-

tion at Eden, Mount Desert. In 1800 he removed to Trenton, and, taking up new land, cleared a small farm, on which he spent his remaining years, dying in 1832. He served in the Revolutionary War, and is said to have shared in the celebrated Boston Tea Party. His second wife, Mary Lewis Young, was the mother of Solomon Young, the father of Isaiah Young.

Solomon Young, born in 1786 at Eden, came from there to Trenton, now Lamoine, when fourteen years old. He assisted in the pioneer labor of improving the land, and devoted the larger part of his time to farming and lumbering. At his death, in 1849, he was sixty-three years old. With his wife, Sarah, who was a daughter of James Lord, of Surry, he reared eleven children; namely, Samuel, Isaiah, Isabel, Leonard, William, Leroy A., Emma J., Clarinda, Amanda, Nelson, and Wilson. William, whose biography will be found elsewhere in this work, married Sarah Berry, and has two children — Nahum and Adele.

Isaiah Young obtained his early education in the little red school-house, where each winter he ran the risk of freezing or asphyxiation by smoke. Then, learning the trade of a ship-builder he made that his chief occupation for forty consecutive years, remaining in Lamoine all the time. In 1837 he bought the farm on which he is now living, and which at that time was in its primitive wildness. In connection with his other work he devoted a part of his time to clearing the land, laboring with such success that he has



NAHUM TOTMAN.

He was Town Clerk twenty-two years, and has been Town Treasurer and Town Agent for a number of terms, besides holding other offices. He is a member of the Masonic order, belonging to Plymouth Lodge, No. 75, of Plymouth.

EDWIN S. PRESCOTT, for over thirty years an enterprising merchant of Skowhegan, Me., where he is still successfully engaged in business, was born in Vassalboro, Kennebec County, this State, November 9, 1825, son of Dr. Oliver and Lydia (Chandler) Prescott. Oliver Prescott was a native of Winthrop, Me., born September 24, 1791, and pursued his medical studies at Dartmouth. He practised his profession in Vassalboro for many years, or until his death, which occurred in June, 1853. He served as a member of the Board of Selectmen, and was a State Senator two years. He was married July 16, 1821, and his family consisted of six children.

Edwin S. Prescott acquired his education in the common schools and at an academy in his native town. In 1849 he joined the Maine contingent of fortune-seekers, who made what was at that time the long and somewhat perilous journey to the Pacific coast, and spent eleven years in California, during which time he was engaged in mining and farming. Returning to Maine in 1860, he cultivated a farm in Winslow until 1865, when he came to Skowhegan, and became associated in mercantile business with Samuel W. Lawton, under the firm name of Lawton & Prescott. Since

the retirement of his partner he has conducted the business alone. He is one of the best known and most successful merchants of this town. He is a member of the California Pioneers' Association, and attends its annual dinners regularly. In his religious views he is a Congregationalist.

Mr. Prescott was married in 1860 to Margaret Larrabee, of Vassalboro, Me. One child, a daughter, born to them in 1862, died in 1884.

HON. NAHUM TOTMAN, who previous to his death in 1894 was one of the leading farmers and lumber dealers of Fairfield, Somerset County, was born October 5, 1808, at Abington, Mass., his parents being Thomas V and Rhoda (Whitman) Totman. The father, a native of Abington and a shoemaker by trade, came to Fairfield in 1819, and engaged in farming. He died at Pishon's Ferry. His wife, Rhoda, born in Abington, bore him seven children — John, Nahum, Ezra, Thomas, Sarah, Louisa, and Rhoda. John, born in 1806, who died in 1890, was a chairmaker and later a merchant. He was twice married, successively to Iantha Roberts and Caroline Eaton. Ezra, born in 1810, who died in 1881, married Elizabeth Dunbar, and was engaged in the lumber business. Thomas, born in 1812, who became a farmer, married Lucy A. Gilman, of Norridgewock, Me. Both are now deceased. Sarah, born in 1814, became the wife of George Burrill, a farmer of Fairfield. Neither she nor her husband is living.

Louisa, who was born in 1817, married David Sturgiss, of Vassalboro, Me., a farmer by occupation. Both Mr. and Mrs. Sturgiss are now deceased. Rhoda, born in 1821, married Albert Nye, a carpenter, who was born in 1823, both of whom are also deceased.

Nahum Totman resided with his parents until he was twenty-one years of age, receiving his education in the common schools. He then went into the lumbering business in Fairfield, and was for some years in partnership with his brother Ezra. When his sons grew up, they were taken into company with him. He owned and operated many saw-mills, and dealt extensively in lumber. He also owned a number of large farms, and in all his business undertakings was most successful. Prominent in this section, he was well known as an active Republican. In the session of 1878-79 he occupied a seat in the Maine Senate. His death occurred March 27, 1894.

Mr. Totman was married on November 24, 1842, to Susan F. Bryant, a native of this town. Mrs. Totman, who survives her husband, is still an active and energetic lady. She was born April 25, 1818, to William and Lydia (Haley) Bryant. Mr. Bryant, who was born in Sandwich, Mass., and was a hatter by trade, removed to Waterville in 1809 and thence to Rhode Island in 1813. In 1817 he came to Fairfield, where he engaged in the manufacture of hats. He bought a farm in 1832. Later in life he kept the toll bridge for seven years. For the last seven years of his life he lived with his daughter,

Mrs. Totman, and he died in 1867. His wife had died in 1858. Their five children were: Mary E., Harriet H., Susan F., Cyrus F., and Samuel Haley Bryant. Mary E., who is now deceased, was born March 27, 1810. She married William Connor, a lumber dealer of this town. Harriet H., born May 17, 1814, who died December 22, 1895, married George Drew, of Fairfield. Cyrus F., who was born April 25, 1818, was twin brother of Mrs. Totman. He married Olive Sturgiss, of Vassalboro, whose death occurred on February 2, 1892; and he now lives with Mrs. Totman. Though now over eighty years old, he is as bright and active as when in his teens. Without spilling a drop, he can carry a glassful of water on his head while picking up a pin from the floor with his teeth. Samuel Haley Bryant, born September 25, 1823, never married. He went to Australia in 1852, and has not been heard from since 1890.

Mr. and Mrs. Totman have four sons — Frank M., Llewellyn, Everett, and William H. Frank, who is a lumber and mill man, was born on August 19, 1843. He married Emma Judkins, of Fairfield, and became the father of eleven children, born as follows: Gertrude, February 22, 1865, now deceased; Charles Haley, in August, 1868, also deceased; Cora L., December 16, 1869; Howard E., July 24, 1871; Henry F., February 10, 1873; Mary E., April 17, 1874, who died August 10, 1877; Capatolia L., December 24, 1879; Frank G., March 20, 1882; Washington A., November 13, 1883; Gladys, December 13, 1885; and Eloise G., April 25, 1887.

Llewellyn Totman, who was born March 19, 1847, married Eldora F. Dunbar, who was born September 15, 1847. His children were: Charles A., born May 26, 1871, died December 17, 1890; Edward, born August 30, 187-; Walter N., born January 9, 1882. He is now engaged in the livery business at Duluth, Minn. Everett Totman, who is now in business in Boston, Mass., was born September 5, 1850. On December 19, 1875, he married Ella V. Brown, of Skowhegan, Me. For fifteen years he was a hardware merchant in Fairfield. William H. Totman, who was born on April 12, 1858, married Lucy A. Wyman, who was born on May 13, 1858. Three children have been born to him, as follows: Ella V., April 20, 1882, now deceased; Eva A., July 2, 1886, also deceased; and Christine L., born September 15, 1889. Mrs. Susan F. Totman continues to reside in Fairfield village, at her beautiful home.

ALBION P. BLOOD, of Sebec, Piscataquis County, an industrious general farmer, son of Ira and Rachel (Pratt) Blood, was born in this town, March 6, 1835. His father was a native of Knox County, and his mother was born in Sebec. The former came to this town when a young man, and afterward followed farming here for some years. About the year 1847 he went to Wisconsin, where he resided throughout the rest of his life, and died in 1894 at a good old age. His first wife, Rachel, having died in early life, he was again married. Rachel

had four children, namely: George B., now a prosperous farmer of Penobscot County; Albion P., the subject of this sketch, Hiram, who resides upon a farm in Atkinson, Me.; and William Henry Blood, now a ranchman in Kansas.

Albion P. Blood was thrown upon his own resources at an early age. When fourteen years old, having previously attended school in Foxcroft for a time, he shipped as a hand before the mast, on board of a coasting-vessel running between Rockland, Me., and New York. After following the sea for about two years, he returned to life ashore. For a number of years after he was employed in the saw-mills upon the Penobscot River in the summer and in the woods during the winter, attending school at intervals, in order to obtain a better knowledge of the common branches of study. In February, 1857, he bought his present farm of one hundred acres, upon which, with the exception of five years, he has since resided. He has improved his land and buildings. Carrying on general farming with energy, he raises cattle, sheep, and hogs; cuts from thirty to forty tons of hay annually; keeps several Jersey cows; and weekly makes about thirty pounds of superior dairy butter, which brings a high price in the market.

On April 8, 1858, Mr. Blood married Sarah Elizabeth Marshall. Born in the Province of New Brunswick, April 9, 1838, Mrs. Blood is a daughter of William and Isabella Marshall, who died at the respective ages of fifty-five and fifty. The former was a tanner and a shoemaker. They were the parents of five

children, all of whom are living; namely, Harriet, Sarah E., Charlotte, William, and John Marshall. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Blood are: Ira Lewis, Cora E., and Charles H. Ira Lewis Blood, who is a lumberman in Montana, married Nellie Dow, and has two children — Ira L. Blood, Jr., and Everett L. Cora E. is the wife of Virgil Tucker, the secretary of the Jordan Lumber Company, of Old Town, Me. Charles H. Blood, who is paymaster for the Willimantic Lumber Company, married Ella Kincaid, and has four children — Leon, Marion, Lewis, and Virgil. In politics Mr. Blood, Sr., is a Democrat, and he has served as school agent. Both he and Mrs. Blood are connected with the Patrons of Husbandry in East Dover. Mrs. Blood attends the Methodist Episcopal church.

JOHAN BUNKER, one of the foremost farmers of Mercer township, was born June 28, 1839, in the neighboring town of Anson, son of Moses and Polly (Williams) Bunker. His grandparents, Elijah and Betsey (Smith) Bunker, removed from Barnstead, N.H., to Vienna, Kennebec County, Me., in the early part of the present century, settling on a farm, which Elijah conducted at the same time that he made shoes. In 1809 he moved to a farm in Anson, and six years later he went to Ohio. Both he and his wife died at the age of seventy-seven years. They had eleven children, all of whom, now deceased, were engaged in agricultural pursuits in Somerset County. Of their number, Elijah, Jr.,

removed to Illinois, where he was also engaged in farming. His daughter, Mary, married George Bray, and died in Minnesota.

Moses Bunker was born on the homestead in Vienna. At the age of eighteen, having previously worked with his father, he started in life on his own account. He walked to Newton, Mass., a long journey for a foot passenger, and there was employed by a nurseryman and farmer for seven years. For several subsequent years he was engaged in tilling the soil in Anson, Me., living there until the spring of 1868, when he purchased the estate now owned and occupied by his son John in Mercer. Here he passed his declining days, dying at the venerable age of ninety-two years, on February 4, 1897. His wife, who before her marriage was Polly Williams, born in Anson, Somerset County, in 1809, died in Mercer, December 22, 1890. They were the parents of five children, namely: Lovisa, who died at a comparatively early age, having been the wife of Hiram T. Emery, who has since married Roxie Mitchell, and is now a resident of Anson; Abbie W., who lives in the village of Anson; John, the subject of this sketch; a child that died in infancy; and Marcellus, now engaged in trade at Madison, who married Lizzie Lombard.

John Bunker attended the district schools in his boyhood and afterward for a term the academy in North Anson. Soon after attaining his majority he, in company with H. T. Emery, his brother-in-law, bought the parental homestead in Anson, where he was engaged in agricultural pursuits from the fall of 1861

until the fall of 1865. He and his father spent the next year on the Dinsmore farm, and in the following year they rented the Niron Gray farm. In August, 1862, he was drafted into the army, but evaded service by paying three hundred dollars for a substitute. In 1868 he and his father bought the present farm in Mercer township, and continued the improvements already begun, including the erection of new buildings that are both commodious and convenient. Mr. Bunker has now three hundred and fifty acres of land, a large part of which is in a good state of culture. As a general farmer, fruit-grower, and dairyman he has met with much success. His estate is one of the historic places of the county, a portion of it having been used as a burial-ground from 1740 until 1800. It is also noted as having been the farm on which Frank A. Munsey, distinguished as the publisher of a popular magazine, was born and bred. In politics Mr. Bunker is a straightforward Republican, is active in town affairs, and for eight years has been one of Mercer's Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Bunker was united in marriage on January 3, 1863, with Miss Emeline B. Cutts, a native of New Portland, Me., born October 26, 1844. Her father, Captain George Cutts, a farmer and blacksmith, spent his entire life on New Portland Hill, dying there in August, 1866, aged fifty-eight years. His wife, whose maiden name was Annie Metcalf, passed away February 21, 1891, at the advanced age of fourscore and two years. Mr. and Mrs. Bunker have seven children, namely: Edmund R., the

proprietor of a meat market in Kansas City, Mo., who married Jennie Kurney; J. Wallace, a spring bed manufacturer at Mercer, who married Hattie Gray; Vina May, who is the wife of James R. Pringle, a correspondent for the Boston *Globe*, residing at Gloucester, Mass.; Delmont Moses, residing at home, who married Stella Dickinson; Mabel C., who married Melvin Gray, a farmer of Starks township; Solon S., born July 19, 1876, who lives on the home farm; and Charlie C., who has been attending school in Gloucester, Mass., since 1891, stands high in his classes, and on June 25, 1897, won the Haskell gold medal at the cadets' drill in the manual of arms.

CAPTAIN JEREMIAH JONES, a retired ship-master of Brooksville, Hancock County, son of David and Tamson (Snowman) Jones, was born in this town, May 16, 1828. The grandfather, Jeremiah Jones, a native of Wells, Me., came here when a young man, settling on "The Point" at West Brooksville. He engaged in farming and ship-building. The first schooner launched in this town, named the "Bethia," in honor of his wife, was built by him. He also kept a country store, and paid the largest tax assessed in his day. His death occurred when he was well advanced in years.

David Jones, who was a lifelong resident of Brooksville, having settled upon land owned by his father, cleared a large farm, which he cultivated industriously for the rest of his active period. His death occurred when he was

eighty-six years old. His first wife, Betsey Burgess Jones, bore him two children — David and Betsey, neither of whom is living. Tamson Snowman Jones, his second wife, became the mother of seven children; namely, Jane, John, S. V. Jones, Emma and Bethia (twins), James, and Jeremiah. Of these the only survivors are: Captain Jones, the subject of this sketch; and S. V. Jones, a resident of Belfast, who married Hannah Blodgett, and has four children — Ellen, Verrill, Caroline, and George. The mother lived to be ninety-four years old.

Having completed his education at the Blue Hill Academy, Jeremiah Jones at the age of sixteen began to follow the sea. He commanded a vessel before he was eighteen. During his forty-four years of seafaring, the most of which was spent as a master of ships engaged in the foreign trade, he visited various parts of the world. While master of the bark "Lucy Francis" he brought from Italy the statue of Daniel Webster that stands in front of the State House in Boston. He has built several vessels, utilizing for that purpose the few summer seasons spent at home during his seafaring days. Among them was the second three-masted schooner ever constructed east of Cape Cod. In 1886 he settled permanently on the Wasson homestead in Brooksville. Since he abandoned the sea he has given his attention to the cultivation of his farm of two hundred and forty-four acres, which, among other staple products, yields an average of one hundred tons of hay annually.

Captain Jones married Lucy J. Wasson, a daughter of David and Abigail (Hatch) Wasson, of Brooksville. Her grandfather, Samuel Wasson, a Revolutionary soldier, accompanied by his two brothers, came to this town from Massachusetts soon after the close of the war of independence, settled upon what has since been known as Wasson's Hill, and there spent the rest of his life, engaged in farming and taking quite an active part in public affairs. His death occurred in his seventy-ninth year. He was three times married, and the maiden name of Mrs. Jones's grandmother was Elizabeth Parker. David Wasson, Mrs. Jones's father, born February 19, 1794, died November 20, 1884. He was an extensive and successful farmer, and also built vessels, his yard being located near his home. He held some of the important town offices, represented this district in the legislature, and was one of the first Deacons of the Congregational church. Abigail Hatch Wasson, Mrs. Jones's mother, died September 25, 1886, aged eighty-eight years. Captain and Mrs. Jones have had seven children; namely, Wasson, Harry, Laura H., James H., Fred D., Grace D., and Lucy W. Wasson died at the age of sixteen; Harry died in infancy; James H. is a travelling salesman; Fred D. is in business in Belfast, Me.; Grace D. resides at home; Laura H. and Lucy W. are school teachers. Both parents are members of the Patrons of Husbandry and of the Congregational church. The Captain is a Master Mason. He is a Republican in politics, having cast his first Presidential vote for Abra-

ham Lincoln in 1860. In 1892 he was elected to the lower branch of the legislature.

DAVID S. HUNNEWELL, M.D., a skilful and well-known physician of Somerset County, located in the village of Madison, where he has an extensive and lucrative patronage, was born March 1, 1840, in Solon, Me. He is a son of Heman and Melinda (Smith) Hunnewell, the latter a native of the neighboring town of Bingham.

Heman Hunnewell, born in Madison, when about fifteen years old removed to Solon, and there worked at farm labor for some years. Then he engaged in farming and blacksmithing on his own account, continuing in these occupations thereafter until his death in 1873. He was twice married, on the first occasion to Martha Jackman, of Solon, Me., who died in 1832, leaving five children. These were: Thomas, who married Alfreda Hilton, of Solon; Betsey Ann, deceased; Joseph, who died in 1852; Heman, Jr., a farmer in Madison; and Hannah, the widow of Eli Jackman, residing in the village of Solon. Of the second union, which was contracted with Melinda Smith, ten children were born, namely: Sumner, a farmer, who lives at Forks plantation, Somerset County; Randall F., who was killed in the late Rebellion; Ellen M. and James, who died in infancy; Calvin B., a retired farmer, residing in Kingfield, Me.; David S., the subject of this biography; Eben, who died in 1869; Abel J., who is a manufacturer of edge tools at Kingfield; Jennie M., who mar-

ried Seth Townsend, formerly of Solon, Me., but now of California, and died in 1870; and Martha, the wife of Charles S. Flanders, of Monmouth, Me. The mother of these children died in 1876.

David S. Hunnewell received the rudiments of his education in the public schools of Solon, attending regularly until he was seventeen years old. In 1858 he went to California, where he spent five years with his brother, being engaged for the greater part of the time in mining and lumbering. Preferring, however, a professional career, he returned to Solon in August, 1863, and for a time pursued his studies in the Maine Western Seminary at Kent's Hill. Afterward he attended the Maine State Seminary at Lewiston and the Portland Medical School for several terms. In June, 1866, he graduated from the Maine Medical School at Brunswick. The Doctor began the practice of his profession at Solon, Me., remaining there fifteen years. Then, having spent a year travelling in the West, he came to Madison in August, 1882, built his present home, and has remained here since. By his evident skill and close attention to his professional duties he has won the confidence and esteem of the community, and secured a large practice in Madison and vicinity. While a sound Republican in politics, he has never been an aspirant to public office, although he has served on the School Board of Solon. An esteemed Mason, he belongs to Keystone Lodge, No. 80, of Solon, and to the Royal Arch Chapter at Skowhegan; and he is a member of Indian Spring Lodge, No. 121,

I. O. O. F., of Madison. He is liberal in his religious views, and attends the Congregational church.

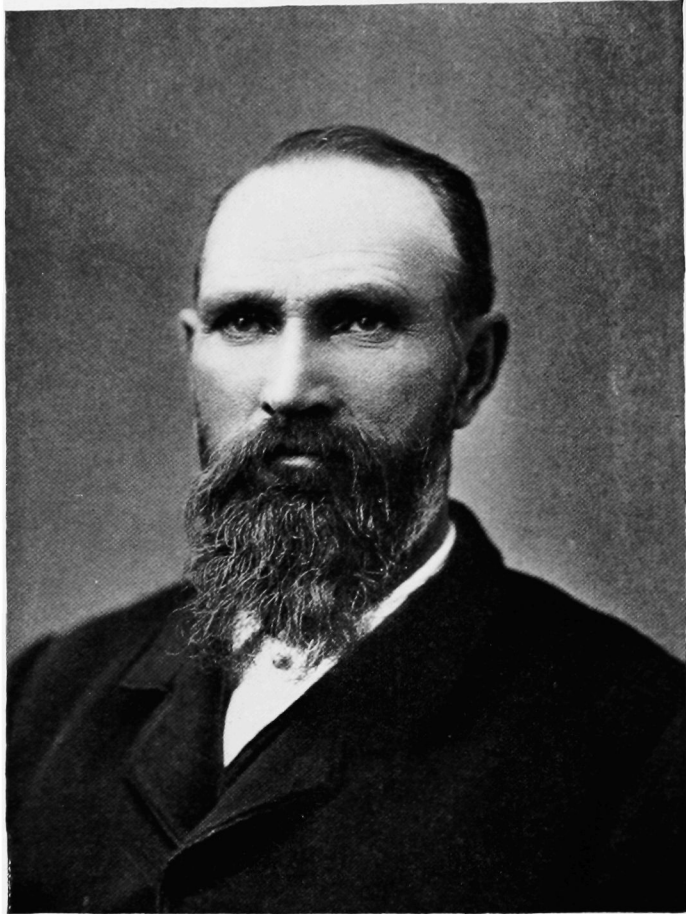
Dr. Hunnewell has been three times married. His first wife, to whom he was united October 27, 1867, was Viola A., daughter of John and Lucinda (Stephens) Batchelder, early settlers of Solon, where Mr. Batchelder was for many years engaged as a tanner. She died in August, 1868, leaving one son, Olin B., who married Blanche Hilton, and now lives in Augusta, Me., where he is assistant supervisor in the hospital for the insane. In June, 1873, the Doctor married Miss Rebecca J. Rowell, a daughter of the late Elbridge and Sophia (Weston) Rowell, of Madison. She passed to the higher life in November, 1884, leaving five children, namely: Elsie M., a teacher in the public schools of Madison; Alice S.; Clara E.; Carl S.; and Elbridge R. Dr. Hunnewell's third marriage was made in October, 1887, with Miss Elizabeth Smith, a daughter of Weston and Elmira (Sawyer) Smith, of Anson.

RUFUS CAMPBELL, one of the town fathers of Kingsbury, Piscataquis County, was born in this town, May 17, 1831, son of Daniel and Ruth (Huff) Campbell. His parents were both natives of the town of Borden, Me. His grandfather, John Campbell, who was a farmer, was an early settler of Borden, and died in that town. Daniel Campbell moved from Borden to Wellington, where he resided six or eight years.

In 1831 he settled on new land in Kingsbury, which he developed into a good farm, that is now owned and occupied by his son Aaron. He was a sturdy, industrious man, and had the respect of his fellow-citizens. In politics he was a Democrat, in religion liberal. He died at the age of forty-eight. Mrs. Ruth Campbell lived to be seventy-five years old. She was a Free Will Baptist. They had a family of eleven children; namely, Aaron, Asa, William, Alpheus, Levi, Rufus, Daniel, John, Isaiah, Charles, and Mary Ann. Asa, Levi, John, Isaiah, and Mary Ann reside in Garland, Me.; Aaron, Daniel, and Rufus, in Kingsbury; and William, in Corinna, Me. Alpheus and Charles are deceased.

Rufus Campbell grew to manhood in Kingsbury, and is the oldest living native of the town to-day. The only school in the town, when he was a boy, was held in a private house; and his educational opportunities were limited. In 1860 he took possession of his present farm, which was then in a wild state; and he has since devoted years of patient labor to its improvement. He owns one hundred acres of land and from fifteen to twenty head of cattle, and is engaged in general farming and dairying. He has worked hard to establish a home, and has a valuable farm. During the Civil War he served in the Twelfth Maine Regiment, and was honorably discharged in May, 1865.

Mr. Campbell was married in 1859 to Lydia, daughter of Benjamin F and Mary P. (Wilkinson) Sherborn. She was born in this town, and died here in April, 1881. In July,



ALLEN HACKETT.

1881, Mr. Campbell married Hannah Whitman, who was born in Mayfield, Me. He has seven children, all living in Kingsbury — Leroy, Elmer, Charles, Mary E. (wife of G. S. Curtis), Manley, Ethel, and Riley M. Mr. Campbell is a Democrat, politically. He served as Town Treasurer one year, Selectman five years, and has been in office as Collector and Constable for a number of years. He is now serving as an Assessor, and is a member of the Board of Health. On religious subjects his opinions are liberal.

ALLEN HACKETT, an extensive lumber manufacturer of Pittsfield, Somerset County, son of Reuben and Rebecca (Pinkham) Hackett, was born in Strong, Me., August 29, 1835. The father, a native of Pittsfield, resided in Strong for about fifteen years. Though he was reared to agricultural pursuits, he spent the greater part of his life in other occupations, and he died here in 1892. Rebecca, his first wife, who was born in Strong, died in 1863. His second marriage was contracted with a widow, who is now residing with her daughter in Pittsfield. By his first union Reuben Hackett was the father of eight children, namely: Allen, the subject of this sketch; Emily Lepper, M.D., who is a physician in Minneapolis, Minn., the wife of Henry A. Lepper, and has six children; Augusta, who resides in Pittsfield, and is the widow of Nathan Osgood; Susan, the wife of Nathan Wright, a farmer in Hartland, Me.; Fernando, a millman in Minneapolis;

David, who died in 1871; and Etta and Ella Hackett, who are no longer living.

Allen Hackett began the struggle for existence at the age of fourteen years. Having received his education, which was confined to instruction in the simpler branches of study, he became an operative in the Hathorn saw-mill in Pittsfield. Here he remained for twenty-one years, gaining experience which thoroughly equipped him for the lumber manufacturing business. From 1866 to 1868 he was a member of the firm of Hathorn & Hackett. In 1870 he purchased a part of the water-power privilege at Madison Bridge, where he remained for three years. Then as a member of the firm Hathorn, Foss & Co. he built saw-mills at Lambert Lake, La Grange, and Alton, and conducted them respectively for seventeen years, sixteen years, and thirteen years. He is now operating mills in Danforth, Oakfield, and Blaine, the first of which he erected in 1873 and the others in 1896. Hathorn, Foss & Co. are engaged extensively in the manufacture of fruit boxes, which are shipped in bundles from Bangor to Italy, where they are put together and returned filled to this country.

Mr. Hackett contracted his first marriage in 1857 with Mary A. Spaulding, who died in the following year. On April 20, 1859, he married Tryphena Witham, of Pittsfield, whose father, Asa Witham, was an industrious farmer of this town. Mrs. Hackett has had seven children — Fred L., William, Jennie M., Willie E., Frank A., Lillian, and Alice M. William died at the age of three

years, and Lillian on April 6, 1891. Fred L. Hackett, who is now residing in Portland, married Fanny Perkins, of Madison Bridge, and has one son, Allen. Jennie M. is the wife of Frank Randlett, of Pittsfield. Willie E. Hackett married Ann Peterson; Frank A. Hackett, who lives in Blaine, married Georgia Murray, and has one child, Rhonello; Alice M. married Bert Spaulding, a barber of Pittsfield, and has one son. Fred L., Willie E., and Frank A. Hackett are all millmen.

Mr. Hackett has worked his way forward to his present position of business prominence wholly through his own ability and industry. Besides his mill interests he owns some valuable property in this town, and is an extensive dealer in real estate. In politics he is a Republican, but business pressure has prevented him from taking any active part in public affairs. A member of the Masonic fraternity, he is connected with Meridian Lodge of Pittsfield. He attends the Baptist church.

ALBION P. McMASTER, the president of the National Bank of Pittsfield and a prominent merchant of this town, was born in Etna, Me., February 3, 1825. A son of the Rev. Daniel and Elizabeth (Cushman) McMaster, he comes of sturdy Scotch ancestry. His grandfather, John McMaster, who was the first of the family to come to America, located in Augusta, where he was engaged in business and subsequently died.

The Rev. Daniel McMaster, born in Augusta, was a preacher for sixty-four years.

Coming to Pittsfield in 1830, he remained here for about thirty years. Later he resided successively in Clinton and Etna, and he died in the last named place in 1868. His wife, Elizabeth, who was a native of Hebron, Me., died here in 1855. Their children were: Daniel A., Maria J., William H., John W., Miranda M., Job Cushman, Albion P., Samuel A., Levi M., and a child that died in infancy. Miranda M. died at the age of two years. Daniel A., who was a farmer throughout his active period, died in California. Maria J. married Levi J. Merrick, who was an attorney at Hartland, Me.; and she died in Milwaukee, Wis. William H. successively married Amanda Merrick and Lucinda Dennett, was a farmer in this town, and died in 1892. John W., now deceased, who was a clothier in Clinton, Me., married Mary Ann Brown, who is likewise deceased. Job Cushman McMaster, who married Harriet Bacon, died in California. Samuel A. successively married Sarah Bailey and Sarah Woodman, all three of whom are now deceased. Levi M., who did not marry, also died in California.

Albion P. McMaster received a common-school education. He lived at home until nineteen years of age. From that time until he was twenty-two he worked at lumbering in different places. After his marriage he bought a farm in West Pittsfield, and there lived for about twenty years, carrying on farming and some lumbering, and extensively engaged in buying and selling cattle. Selling out his farm and stock in 1866, he came to Pittsfield village, and for a year and a half

was in company with F. D. Jenkins in a general merchandise business. He then went to Michigan, where for the following thirteen years he was engaged in lumbering, the last three having been spent at Cheboygan, Mich. In 1877 he went into the cattle business, which he followed until 1881. Then in partnership with T. S. Dexter he conducted a general store for four years, during which time he also did some lumbering. Selling out in 1886, he associated himself with George H. Hunter in the firm of Hunter, McMaster & Co., which has since carried on a prosperous business in this village, dealing in general merchandise and extensively in flour and feed. Since 1890 he has been the president of the National Bank of Pittsfield, and since 1895 the president of the Waverly Woollen Mills.

On June 28, 1846, Mr. McMaster was married to Nancy M. Pushor, of Pittsfield, Me., a daughter of Captain David and Nancy (Chase) Pushor, both of whom were natives of Pittsfield. Captain Pushor, who was a farmer, obtained his title in the State militia. Mr. and Mrs. McMaster have two children — Harriet and Lacitur. Harriet, who died in 1874 at the age of twenty-seven years, was the wife of Harvey Robinson, of Pittsfield, and had one child, Ina M. Lacitur is the wife of William Dobson, of Pittsfield, the well-known woollen manufacturer, and has two children — Hattie E. and Mary M. Mr. McMaster is a staunch Democrat. He has been a Selectman for several years. In 1862 and 1863 he was a Representative in the legislature. A Mason in good standing, he belongs to Meridian Lodge,

No. 125, of Pittsfield, of which he is a charter member; to the Blue Lodge, Ira Berry Chapter; and the Skowhegan Commandery; and he is also a member of Phlentoma Lodge, No. 51, and Sebastacook Encampment, No. 33, I. O. O. F. Mr. McMaster and his family attend the Universalist church.

PON. ELMER P. SPOFFORD, of Deer Isle, a prominent member of the Hancock County bar, was born at North-west Harbor, February 8, 1863, son of Frederick Pearl and Caroline E. (Haskell) Spofford. The paternal grandfather, Pearl Spofford, a native of Pelham, N.H., came to Deer Isle in or about the year 1800, accompanied by one Samuel Towne, with whom he formed a copartnership and engaged in trade. Afterward he and his brother Frederick became interested in ship-building, under the firm name of Spofford Brothers. The schooner "Shakespeare," owned by Spofford Brothers, with a valuable cargo of merchandise and with Frederick Spofford on board, was lost at sea in the year 1818. Pearl Spofford continued in trade for many years, and acquired quite a large property. He was elected Representative to the General Court of Massachusetts several times, and was the first Representative from the town of Deer Isle to the legislature of Maine. The first Postmaster of Deer Isle, he held the office until the year 1845. In politics he was successively a Federalist, Whig, and Republican. He died in the year 1865, at the age of eighty-seven years.

Frederick Pearl Spofford, the father, born at Deer Isle in the year 1819, during his active period was a successful merchant, and owned a large number of vessels. Taking an earnest interest in public affairs, he served the town in various offices. He was widely and favorably known as a leading business man of the county. His death occurred December 15, 1870. Caroline E. Haskell Spofford, his wife, born April 3, 1823, was a daughter of Ignatius Haskell, third, and a representative of a pioneer family of Deer Isle. Her children were: Caroline Henrietta, Charles Frederick, Henry Courtney, George Courtney, Sarah Maria, Elmer Pearl, and Julia Haskell. Caroline, Elmer, and Julia are still living. Caroline married George Witham, of Westbrook, Me. Julia is the wife of John H. McGorrill, of Clinton, Me., and has two children — Elmer Pearl and Milton Morse McGorrill.

After graduating from Westbrook Seminary, class of 1882, Elmer P. Spofford took a course of instruction under a private tutor. Previous to and during his preparation for the practice of law he taught school. Admitted to the Hancock County bar in 1886, he practised in Portland for a year. Then he removed to Deer Isle, where he has since resided. He was elected attorney for the county of Hancock in 1888 and 1890 and to the Maine Senate in 1892 and 1894. During his first term in the Senate he served in the Committee on Legal Affairs. In his second term he was elected president *pro tem.* of the Senate, and was the chairman of the Judiciary Committee. In January, 1897, he was chosen Executive Coun-

cillor for the Fifth Councillor District. Mr. Spofford is the youngest man in the State who has held so many high and responsible official positions. On June 1, 1887, he was united in marriage to Miss Leonora A. Rich, a daughter of Dwight B. Rich, of Boston. Much interested in Masonic work, he is a permanent member of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

GRANT WITHAM, second Selectman of Embden, was born in this town, December 13, 1861, son of Jotham G. and Cyrena (Williams) Witham. The parents were both natives of Embden, and resided at Solon Ferry for many years, and the father is now living with his son Grant. Mrs. Witham died January 26, 1898. Jotham G. Witham married for his first wife Angeline Clark, of Embden, Me. She died leaving two sons: Mark, who died in 1896; and Manley, a resident of East Madison, Me. His second wife, Cyrena, became the mother of six children: Parker, who married Carrie Hall, and resides in North Anson; Emma, who is no longer living; Dassie, who married Frank Thompson, and lives in Skowhegan; Grant, the subject of this sketch; Lura, wife of Charles Barnard, a boot and shoe dealer of Skowhegan; and Ada Witham, who is employed in a woollen-mill at East Madison.

Grant Witham attended the public schools of his native town. He resided at home, assisting his father in carrying on the farm until 1894, when he moved to what is known as the Adams, or Hawes, farm of forty acres,

adjoining the home farm, the two making a total of two hundred and twenty-five acres. He has already made various improvements in the property, and besides cultivating the usual crops he raises stock and conducts a dairy.

On February 1, 1890, Mr. Witham married Edna Hooper, daughter of Orlando Hooper, a prosperous farmer of Embden. The only child of this union was Leon H., who died at the age of eighteen months. The mother died April 23, 1892. On November 24, 1894, Mr. Witham married for his second wife Annie M. Thompson, who was born in Embden, August 13, 1874, daughter of Nathan and Barbara (Beals) Thompson, prosperous farming people of this town. She is the mother of one child, Dana Cecil Witham, born December 13, 1895.

In politics Mr. Witham is a Democrat. He served with ability as Supervisor of Schools in 1894, has been Tax Collector and Constable, and is now giving general satisfaction as second Selectman. He is a member of the Independent Order of Good Templars, of Embden, and the Patrons of Husbandry, of Solon.

NAHUM HINCKLEY, a leading business man of Blue Hill, Hancock County, was born in this town on October 26, 1840. A son of Jesse and Joanna (Johnson) Hinckley, he is descended from Samuel Hinckley, one of the early governors of the Plymouth Colony. The great-grandfather, Ebenezer Hinckley, whose father,

Shubal, fought in the French War in 1757, settled in 1766 at the Neck, on what is now called South Blue Hill, taking up Lot No. 3 and being the first of the name in this part of Maine. He served as a soldier during the Revolution, and subsequently was found frozen to death on Blue Hill Neck.

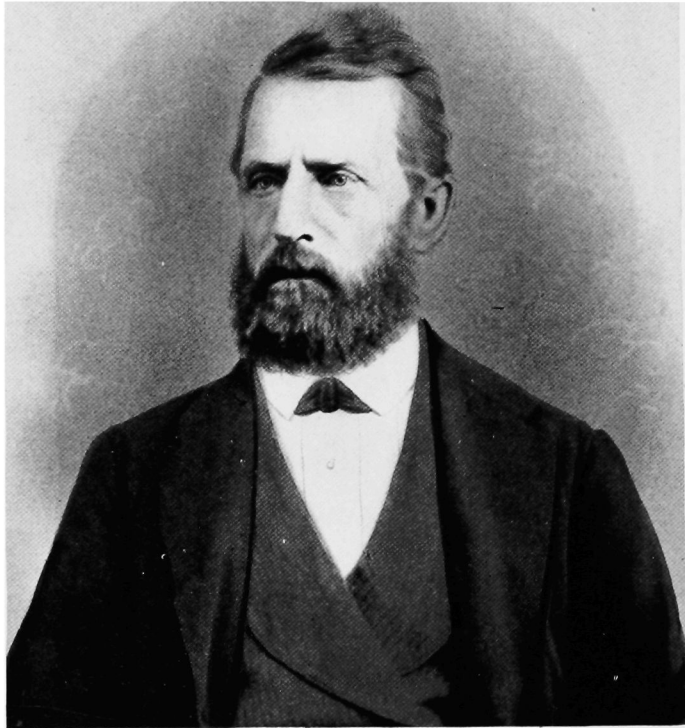
Deacon Isaiah Hinckley, son of Ebenezer, born within the Kennebec region in 1765, in a town then called Great Meadows, was brought to Blue Hill by his parents when an infant. One of their elder children, he reached the age of ninety years. His life was passed in Blue Hill, in the northern part of which he cleared a large tract of land and engaged in farming. This place was afterward known as the Hinckley neighborhood. Deacon Hinckley was a zealous worker in the Baptist church for many years and one of the representative men of the Baptist society in this part of Maine. He was twice married, on the first occasion to Anna Horton, who became the grandmother of Nahum. Their son, Jesse Hinckley, who was born at Blue Hill, in early life was a sailor and then a farmer. Afterward for many years he was a general trader. Actively interested in the affairs of the town, he was one of the town officers for many years, and at one time was Deputy Sheriff of the county. He died at the age of fifty-seven years. His wife, Joanna, had four children—S. Anna, Joseph J., Eldusta M., and Nahum. Anna, now deceased, was the wife of Captain Samuel Merrill, of Surry. At her demise she left four children—Jesse H., Joseph H., Isaac L., and Susan.

Joseph J. Hinckley, who is a resident of California, married Mary Coughlin, and has five children — Jesse, Anna, Joseph, John N., and Katy. Eldusta M. Hinckley is the wife of Captain John M. Merrill, of Surry, and the mother of Anna F., Samuel N., Lizzie, and John Merrill.

Nahum Hinckley received the training of the district schools, supplemented by a course of study at Blue Hill Academy. At the age of eighteen he went to California, and for the four succeeding years was engaged in mining in that State and in Nevada. Returning East at the end of that time, he opened a store in the town of Surry in company with his brother-in-law. For a time also he worked as a blacksmith. While a resident of Surry he was the chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and also Town Treasurer. In 1880 he returned to Blue Hill, where he has since resided. When the copper mines were being worked here, he was foreman of the employes. He has also carried on some blacksmithing work, has been engaged to some extent in lumbering, and is at present engaged in the coal and ice business. Since his return to Blue Hill he has been closely associated with the conduct of public affairs, having been the chairman of the Board of Selectmen for ten years and County Commissioner for the past three years. He has been twice married. His first wife, in maidenhood Lizzie Treworgy, bore him one daughter, Lizzie, who became the wife of Sidney Howe, of Melrose, Mass. While preparing for a Christmas party, Mrs. Howe, in endeavoring to extin-

guish the flames which had accidentally caught her servant's dress, was fatally burned as well as the servant. Her sad death was a severe blow to the whole family. She left two young sons — Stanley and Roger. Mr. Hinckley's second marriage was made with Eva M. Treworgy, who has been the mother of three children — Everett J., Fanny C., and William P. In 1878 Mr. Hinckley represented this town in the legislature. He is now a member of the State Board of Agriculture. Besides being an esteemed Mason, he is one of the oldest Odd Fellows in this section, having joined the order in 1863, while he was in California. His political principles are Republican.

HARRISON T. BURNS, an enterprising and reliable contractor and builder of Fairfield, was born in Pittsfield, Me., November 2, 1848, son of Rufus and Harriet (Winthrop) Burns. His parents were natives of Embden, Me., and the father when a young man settled upon a farm in Pittsfield. Rufus Burns died at the age of forty-five, and his wife died in 1893, aged seventy-eight years. They were the parents of nine children, namely: George, who died at New Orleans while a soldier in the Federal army during the Civil War; Ellen, who married Albert Applebee, a cloth dresser in a woollen-mill in Pittsfield; Harrison T., the subject of this sketch; Warren, a lumber dealer residing in the State of Washington; Charles, a farmer in Pittsfield; Moses, who died young; Moses, second, who is a carpenter



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in Pittsfield; Emma, who is no longer living; and Rufus Burns, who married Cora Damon, and is engaged in the hotel business in Pittsfield.

Harrison T. Burns was educated in the district schools of his native town. He assisted in carrying on the homestead farm until he was twenty-five years old. Having learned the carpenter's trade, he followed it in Pittsfield for some four years; and later, coming to Fairfield, he was engaged for a time in operating a large steam mill here. He subsequently established himself as a contractor and builder, which occupation he has since followed quite extensively, employing several men the year round. His ability as a workman is recognized by all those who have had dealings with him.

Mr. Burns married Mary Marble, of Shawmut, Me. She is a daughter of Eben and Lurana (Phelps) Marble, the former of whom was a teamster and a millman.

Mr. Burns is connected with the Ancient Order of United Workmen, of Waterville. Both he and his wife attend the Universalist church.

WILLIAM DOWNS, a well-to-do farmer of Sebec, Piscataquis County, was born in Orono, Me., February 7, 1824, son of Thomas and Mary (Oliver) Downs. The father, a native of Georgetown, on the Kennebec River, followed lumbering on the Penobscot River. On one occasion, while working in the woods, he was

seized with a violent illness that caused his death at the age of thirty-five years. His wife, Mary, born in Orono, was a daughter of Ephraim Oliver, who was an early settler in Bradley, Me. She bore him four children, namely: Mary Ann, who now resides in Ed-dington, Me., and is the widow of Joseph Johnson; William, the subject of this sketch; Rachel, the widow of Abner Chase, late of Old Town, Me.; and Jane, the widow of Jesse Harriman, late of Bangor. Mrs. Mary Downs, who did not marry again, lived to be seventy-eight years old. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Left fatherless at the age of nine, William Downs was then obliged to seek employment with a view to help in the support of the family. After a time his earnings were sufficient to provide the family with a comfortable subsistence. In 1850 he went to California, where he profitably labored in the mines for two and a half years. Upon his return he bought a farm in Dover. Seven years later he sold that property and moved to Sebec, where he occupied for a time the farm now owned by Mr. Chase. In 1863 he purchased his present farm, which on account of its elevation he considered more favorable to his wife's health. Containing four hundred acres, it is considered the largest farm in the town. It is desirably located and well adapted to dairy purposes. His annual crop of hay averages seventy-five tons, having reached as high as ninety tons. He keeps from fifteen to twenty Jerseys, graded and full-blooded, besides sheep and other stock; and he is constantly

engaged in improving the fertility of his land. Since the place came into his possession he has erected spacious barns and a good stable, while the buildings as a whole are among the best in this locality. In politics he is a Republican. He has served with ability as a Selectman for six years. Having been appointed by Governor Robie one of the managers of the experimental station at the State Agricultural College in Orono, he was elected treasurer by the board, and subsequently held that position until the station was abolished.

In 1850 Mr. Downs married for his first wife Samantha Lambert, of Dover, who died in 1860. His second marriage, which took place in 1862, was with Elzada Ball, of Sebec. He is the father of eight children, four by each union. Those of his first wife are: Lizzie, who married Mason Norton, and resides in California; Charles H., who resides in Minneapolis, Minn.; Nora, the wife of William Pratt, of Foxcroft; and Ella, who married Everett Adams, of Bangor. The children of his present wife are: Eva, who married Ellis Pratt, of Foxcroft; Lillian, the wife of Charles Currier, of Sebec; William H. and Edward Downs, who are living at home. Mr. Downs is a member of Piscataquis Lodge, F. & A. M., of Milo, and was formerly connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was the first to introduce the Patrons of Husbandry in this county by organizing Piscataquis Grange, of which he was Master for five years; and he was elected Master of the county grange for three years in succession. Firmly believing

in the order as a beneficial agent to farmers, he labors diligently to sustain the interest in its meetings.

LUTHER B. CROSBY, M.D., a popular physician of Brownville, was born in Albion, Kennebec County, Me., September 8, 1833, son of Luther and Ethelinda (Getchell) Crosby. The grandfather, Robert Crosby, was a New Hampshire man by birth and one of the early settlers of Winslow, Kennebec County, where he spent the remainder of his seventy years of life. He was a millwright, and built the first mills in that section.

Luther Crosby, born in Winslow, followed farming mainly, but was also interested in milling, lumbering, and brickmaking, in company with his brother. In Albion he bought and cleared a farm, on which he thereafter resided. He also owned a good farm on what is known as Lovejoy's Pond. In religion he was a Congregationalist, and he contributed quite liberally toward the support of church work, and especially to the building of the church edifice at Albion. In the days of the slavery agitation he was a strong abolitionist. Later he was a Republican. He died in 1862 at his home in Albion, aged seventy years. His wife, Ethelinda, born in Sidney, Kennebec County, Me., died at the age of sixty-three years. They were the parents of eleven children, two of whom died in infancy. Those who reached mature years were: Jonah, Alphonso, Atwood, Ethelinda, Eveline,

Martha, Sarah, Luther B., and Augustine. Jonah Crosby died in Sidney, Me., aged sixty-four years; Alphonso, who was a quartermaster at New Orleans during the Civil War, died at sixty-seven; Atwood, a physician and a member of Company G, Third Maine Regiment, died in Waterville, Me., aged forty-two years; and Ethelinda, who married a Mr. Eaton, died in Exeter, Me., aged sixty years. The children now living are: Eveline, the wife of Ezera Pray, of Albion, Me.; Martha, the wife of Samuel Fuller, of Augusta, Me.; Sarah, the wife of Henry Lancaster, of Pittsfield, Me.; Luther B., the subject of this sketch; and Augustine, who lives in Benton, Kennebec County. The last named, who also served in the Civil War with Company G, Third Maine Regiment, was shot at the battle of first Bull Run.

Luther B. Crosby spent his boyhood on his father's farm in Albion. After completing the course of the district school he attended the academies in China and Benton, and fitted for college at Waterville, Me. Having entered Colby University in 1855, poor health rendered him unable to graduate. Some time later he engaged in teaching, and also took up farming. In 1862 he enlisted in the Seventh Maine Regiment, Company F. He took part in the battle of Mechanicsville, and at the battle of Williamsburg he was detailed as camp guard. After he was honorably discharged in 1863, he returned to Maine, and took up the study of medicine under the direction of his brother, Atwood Crosby. He also attended the lectures of the Maine Medi-

cal College at Brunswick and those of the Harvard Medical School, graduating at the former in 1868. In that same year he located in Brownville, where he has since been in active practice, and now enjoys a large patronage.

Dr. Crosby has been married three times. The first time was in 1857, when he wedded Lois G. Hanscomb, of Benton, Me., a native of Albion and a former schoolmate of his. She died in 1865, leaving five children, namely: Edgar H. Crosby, a graduate of Colby University, who was a teacher at Woodford's, Me., and was accidentally killed at Deering Crossing, Me., January 31, 1898; Alice M. Crosby, a teacher of drawing in Hallowell, Me.; Fanny, the wife of Frank Hamlet, of Hallowell; Nathaniel H., a graduate of Colby University, now engaged in the practice of medicine in Monson, Me.; and Lois, the wife of Levi Johnson, of Brownville. The second marriage was contracted in 1869 with Maria Parsons, of Buckfield, Me., who died in 1889, having had two children: Minnie, now the wife of E. A. Chase, a druggist, of Brownville; and Byron, who died at the age of four years. Dr. Crosby's third marriage united him in 1890 to Miss Helen Wilkins, a native of Brownville and a daughter of the Rev. Isaac Wilkins, who was also a practising physician. The Doctor voted the Republican ticket until ex-President Cleveland's first election. Since then he has voted with the Democratic party. Under President Cleveland he held the office of United States Pension Examiner. At one time he served

the town on the School Board. He is a Mason of Pleasant River Lodge at Brownville and a comrade of Sampson Post, G. A. R., of Milo, Me. Both he and Mrs. Crosby are members of the Congregational Church of Brownville, Me.

WILLIAM B. BROWN, a rising young lawyer and the Postmaster of Hartland, Somerset County, was born in Skowhegan, April 18, 1866, son of William McClellan E. and Sophia (Grover) Brown. The father, who was born in Buxton, Me., July 5, 1818, went to Guilford, Piscataquis County, when ten years old, and completed his education at the Foxcroft Academy. He studied law, and, after his admission to the bar in 1839, located for practice in Solon, Me., where he resided for fifteen years. He then settled in Skowhegan, where he was associated with J. D. Brown for fifteen years. Thereafter he continued in business alone for the balance of more than fifty years. He was one of the best known lawyers in this part of the State. Taking an active part in public affairs, he served as superintendent of schools for many years; was a Representative in the legislatures of 1856 and 1857; Collector of Internal Revenue from 1865 to 1870; and United States Pension Examiner under President Garfield. In politics he was an earnest supporter of the Republican party. A Mason in good standing, he belonged to the Blue Lodge and to the commandery in Skowhegan. He was also connected with the Independent

Order of Odd Fellows. Sophia, his wife, who was born in Pittsfield, Me., February 12, 1847, became the mother of five children, namely: Delle H., who died in 1868; William B., the subject of this sketch; Lucy, the wife of Fred A. Morrison, of Boston, an express messenger; Helen B., the wife of Herbert H. Haynes, who is connected with the American Express Company in Bangor; and Grace D., the wife of Forrest E. Leavitt, a foreman in a shoe factory of Haverhill, Mass. A professional singer of reputation, Mrs. Haynes is now pursuing an advanced course of study in Paris. William McC. E. Brown died April 17, 1895, and his widow was again married to George E. Washburn, of Skowhegan.

After graduating at the Skowhegan High School, William B. Brown supplemented his education with a business course at Bryant & Stratton's Commercial College, Boston, and another course in the higher branches of study in the Maine State University at Orono. Subsequently he taught school for a time. Then after a year spent as Clerk of the Courts in Skowhegan he went South for a season, and played as pitcher and third base man for a base-ball club, belonging to the Florida League. Upon his return he began the study of law, and in due time was admitted to the bar. After practising in Solon for three years he came in 1894 to Hartland, where he has since been located. He is rapidly coming to the front among his legal associates in this locality, and his practice is already large and lucrative.

In politics Mr. Brown is a Republican.

He is now serving as superintendent of schools, and was recently appointed Postmaster. In March, 1897, he married Helen M. Whittredge, of Foxcroft, Me., a daughter of Daniel M. and Maria C. (Russ) Whittredge, the former of whom was a merchant. He is a member of Carrabassett Lodge, I. O. O. F.; and of Parmenas Encampment, of Skowhegan.

LEWIS KING, a well-known and highly esteemed citizen of Lamoine, Me., was born October 14, 1827, on the old King estate, a part of which he now occupies, the town at that time being called by its original name, Trenton. He came of pioneer ancestry, his grandfather, John King, having been one of the first settlers of this section of Hancock County. His father, the Rev. John King, was pastor of the Lamoine Baptist church for many years. Further parental history may be found elsewhere in his volume in connection with the sketch of another son, Eben H. King.

Lewis King left the district school to follow the sea, and before he had attained his majority he had worked his way up from the lowest position on board ship to that of master mariner. He subsequently learned the trade of a ship-carpenter, and was a vessel builder and master carpenter fifteen years, being associated with his brothers the greater part of the time. He was also in partnership with them in the Grand Bank Fishery enterprise for seven years. Coming into possession of a share of the parental homestead, he

erected a fine set of buildings on the river road in 1852, and has since resided there, carrying on general farming in connection with his other occupations with excellent success. Mr. King was Postmaster of Lamoine eight years, and for three years rendered valuable service to the town as Supervisor of Schools. Politically, he is a strong adherent of the Democratic party. He is a member of the Baptist church.

In 1853 Mr. King married Mary A. King, of Lamoine. She died in early womanhood, leaving one son, John L., who lives at the homestead. Mr. King subsequently married Addie Downs. Of this union one child has been born, Elwood M., who also lives at home.

LOUIS C. FORD, M.D., a physician of Milo, was born in Atkinson, Piscataquis County, August 11, 1852, son of Caleb and Helen P. (Snow) Ford. His first paternal ancestor in this country arrived at Plymouth in 1621, and married a woman who came over on the first voyage of the "Mayflower." His great-grandfather, Joshua Ford, served as a private in a Massachusetts regiment during the Revolutionary War, and afterward settled in Whitefield, Me. Three of Joshua's sons — Abner, Elijah, and Enoch — located in Mayfield, Me.; and Abner, Dr. Ford's grandfather, later settled in Sebec. Abner, who was a machinist and a millwright, built mills in Piscataquis and Penobscot Counties, and was an enterprising and successful business man. At one time he manu-

factured tubs in Sebec. He married Mehitable Hatch, and had a family of nine children; namely, Caleb, Caroline, David, Lucy A., Eliza, Llewellyn, Melvina, Annette M., and Frank M. All were natives of Sebec except Caleb, who was born in Mayfield. David and Lucy A. died young. Caroline married the late Theodore Wyman, of Sebec. Eliza married the Hon. John Morrison, of East Corinth, Me. Llewellyn served in the First Maine Cavalry during the Civil War, and died in Sebec of a fever contracted while in the army. Melvina married Judson Parker; Annette M. became the wife of H. M. Richardson; while Frank M. never married.

Caleb Ford, who was reared in Sebec, after his marriage settled in Atkinson. His natural genius for mechanics found vent in the construction of a great deal of mill machinery. He was familiarly known as Captain Ford from his connection with the State militia. Physical disability alone prevented him from participating in the Civil War. He served as a Selectman and legislative Representative, and was a County Commissioner for eight years. In politics he was a Republican, and his opinions concerning public matters were considered sound. Helen P. Snow Ford, his wife, who died September 3, 1897, was a daughter of Eleazar W. Snow, M. D., late of Atkinson. She became the mother of three children, namely: Mary, who married C. O. Hutchinson; Louis C., the subject of this sketch; and Caroline A., who married Frank J. Freeze, of Atkinson.

Louis C. Ford acquired his early education

in the common schools and at the Foxcroft Academy. He began the study of medicine with his uncle, Dr. Edwin P. Snow, of Atkinson, and was graduated from the Maine Medical School with the class of 1877. After residing in Sebec for three years, he located in Milo in 1880, and has since followed his profession in this and adjoining towns.

Dr. Ford has been twice married, successively to Antoinette Perkins, of Atkinson, and Nettie E. Rogers, a daughter of W. S. Rogers, of Bradford, Me. To his first union were born three children — Caleb J., Helen M., and Antoinette. Caleb J. had begun the study of medicine, for which he had a natural inclination, when he died in 1896. Dr. Ford acts with the Republican party in politics. He is a member of Piscataquis Lodge, F. & A. M., in which his grandfather and father had been made Masons, and the latter had occupied the important chairs. The Doctor is also a member of Dirigo Lodge, I. O. O. F.; of the Ancient Order of United Workmen; and of the order of Foresters.

BENJAMIN F. HILTON, of Starks, familiarly addressed as "Frank," is known far and wide as one of the most prosperous farmers and stock-raisers and the most extensive breeder of high-grade sheep and Hereford cattle in Somerset County. He was born February 9, 1832, on the old homestead, son of Benjamin Hilton, Jr. His grandfather, Benjamin Hilton, Sr., a pioneer settler of Anson township, removed

thither from Wiscasset, Me., at an early day, taking up his abode in the midst of the dense forest, and there cleared a small farm.

Benjamin Hilton, Jr., was born on the homestead in Anson, February 3, 1803, and there grew to man's estate. In 1828 he began his career as a farmer in the town of Starks, where by persevering industry and diligent effort he improved a farm on which he lived until his death on October 2, 1891. He was married July 2, 1829, to Margaret Athearn, who, born May 31, 1805, in Castine, Me., died in Starks, July 23, 1862. They had four children, of whom one died in infancy. The others were: Benjamin F., the subject of this biography; Fidelia, the wife of O. D. Metcalf, of California; and George A., of whom a brief sketch appears elsewhere in this volume.

Benjamin F. Hilton received his early education in the district schools of Starks, and on the ancestral homestead obtained a practical knowledge of agriculture in all of its branches. Having remained with his parents until after his marriage, he in April, 1861, removed with his bride to Anson, where he resided for two years. Returning then to Starks, he took possession of his present property, which contains about two hundred and fifty acres of arable land, and where he has since carried on general farming, dairying, and stock-raising, making a specialty of breeding fancy sheep of various kinds with his son Bert for overseer. He has been quite prosperous in his undertakings, and now owns in addition to his home property three

other farms, one of eighty acres, one of fifty in Starks, and one of sixty-five in Anson. In 1879 he erected his substantial residence, and eight years later further improved his home farm by building a new barn. These buildings are among the finest and most commodious in the town.

On November 20, 1860, Mr. Hilton was united in marriage with Miss Mary Furber, who was born June 13, 1840, in Athens, Somerset County. She is a daughter of John and Sarah (Tufts) Furber, respectively natives of Lee, N.H., and Athens. Her parents lived in Athens for ten or more years after their marriage, and then, in 1850, settled in Norridgewock, remaining there for the remainder of their days. The father died in 1882. Mr. and Mrs. Hilton have five children, the following being their record: Ernest, born December 3, 1861, lives at home; Edward, born April 30, 1864, married Sarah Daggett, and they live on the old Hilton homestead in Anson; Charles W., born November 14, 1866, married in July, 1898, Miss Kate Butler, of Starks; Bert, born April 3, 1870, residing on an adjacent farm, and engaged in stock-raising, married Florence M. Tarr, of New Sharon, and has one child, Everett; and Allen F., born March 1, 1875, is motorman on an electric car in Boston.

Though he takes but little interest in politics, Mr. Hilton usually votes the Democratic ticket. However, he cast his first Presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln. In 1864 and 1865 he served as second Selectman, and held the same position in 1896. He has also filled

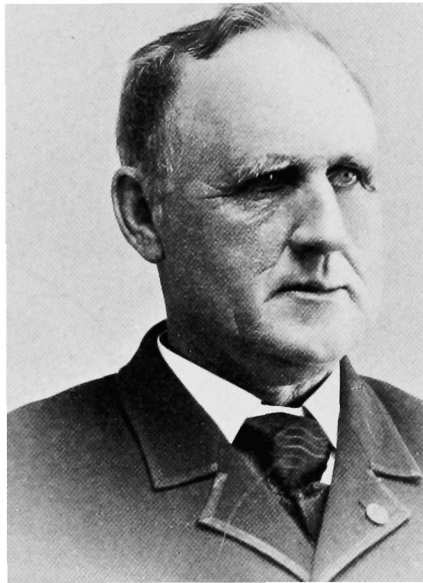
minor local offices. His sons, Ernest and Bert, are members of Indian Spring Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 115, of Madison; and Allen F. belongs to a Boston lodge of Odd Fellows.

CYRUS D. MORRILL, M.D., a prominent and popular physician of Madison, Somerset County, son of the late Cyrus G. Morrill, was born March 23, 1834, in Farmington Falls, Me. The father, who was also a native of Farmington Falls, began his active business career in that town. Afterward he conducted a carding-mill and foundry in Wilton, Me., for many years, and was a clerk in the Treasury Department at Washington, D.C., for nine years. A staunch Republican, he was active in local affairs, and served for a time as Justice of the Peace. In his early life he joined the Free Baptist church, but was afterward a member of the Congregational church. He married Miss Lucinda Gould, who was born and reared in Farmington, Me. They became the parents of three children, as follows: Martha, who was the wife of the Rev. F. V. Norcross, and died in 1864, at the age of thirty-two years; Cyrus D., the subject of this sketch; and Ella A., the wife of Charles Heaton, who was formerly a clerk in Washington, D.C., and is now a real estate dealer in that city.

Cyrus D. Morrill acquired his elementary education in the Litchfield and Farmington Academies. Afterward he studied medicine at Bowdoin College, going from there to the University of New York, from which he was

graduated March 4, 1859. During the ensuing two years he practised with his uncle, Dr. Sumner Gould, in Madison, Me., receiving inestimable benefit from his association with the older practitioner. Going then to Lincolnville, Waldo County, he had practised there for a year when, in May, 1862, he enlisted in the Seventeenth United States Infantry, and afterward served in the Civil War for four months, stationed in Virginia. Then returning to Maine, he located in Foxcroft, and there followed his profession until 1865, when he was recalled to Madison by the fatal illness of his uncle. On the death of Dr. Gould, which occurred shortly after, Dr. Morrill succeeded to his practice. The Doctor has now a very large and thriving business, having many patrons, not only in Madison, but in Anson, Stark, Industry, and Norridgewock.

Dr. Morrill has been twice married. The first occasion was in 1864, when he was united to Miss Maria Flint, of Anson, a daughter of William R. and Electa (Weston) Flint, respectively natives of New Vineyard and Madison, Me. She passed away in June, 1893, having been the mother of six children. The latter were: William C., who died at the age of sixteen years; John B., who lived but three years; Walter J., who is now the principal of the high school in Anson; Alice, who died at the age of five years; Martell Flint, who was a clerk in a drug store of Madison, and is now a member of Company H, First Maine Regiment, encamped at Chickamauga; and Ella M., who resides at home. The sec-



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ond marriage was contracted in December, 1893, with Miss Nancy Turner, of Dedham, Me. Her father, the late Isaiah Turner, was a farmer. Her mother, whose maiden name was Mary Trueworthy, still lives in that town. In politics the Doctor is a consistent Republican, and takes an active part in public affairs. He served as Selectman in 1884, and in 1892 represented Madison in the State legislature. Taking a deep interest in Masonry, he belongs to Euclid Lodge, No. 194, of Madison. An active member of the Congregational church, he has been the clerk of the society for several years.

GEORGE L. EAMES, a prominent farmer, dairyman, and stock-raiser, of Embden, Somerset County, son of Jonathan D. and Mary (Williams) Eames, was born in Madison, this county, November 30, 1835. In early life the father was a butcher and drover. During his later years he was occupied in agriculture. He lived in Madison, where eight of his children were born. Afterward he moved to Concord, this State, and thence to Embden, where he died in August, 1876. His wife, who was born in Embden, died in 1890. They had a family of eleven children, namely: Phineas, who resides near Solon Ferry in Embden; Caleb, now deceased, who was the twin brother of Phineas; Jonathan W., formerly a farmer of Santa Barbara, Cal., who returned East in July, 1897, and died in the following October at the home of Phineas; Austin, deceased; Almond, a

farmer, living near New Portland, Me.; George L., the subject of this sketch; Serena, Martin, and Martin, all three deceased; Adeline, the wife of William Jacobs, a carriage-maker of North New Portland; and Owen, also deceased.

George L. Eames was educated in the common schools of his native town. He left home at the age of twenty-one to earn his own living, and was engaged in lumbering along the Kennebec River until the spring of 1857. On March 17 of that year he started for California. Having arrived there, he spent the ensuing three years in Sierra County, engaged in mining, farming, and stock-raising. He returned then to his native State and was married, after which he went back to California, and spent five years more in Sierra County, lumbering, stock-raising, and mining. He was subsequently a teamster in Washoe City, Nev., for four years and a half, and then raised stock in Humboldt County, Nevada, until 1881. Returning East in that year, he settled on the Hutchins farm in Embden, one of the most valuable estates in this locality, containing about three hundred acres of good land, well adapted to its present use, and a fine brick house. With his Western experience, he has been especially successful in stock-raising. His dairy products are sent to the Solon Creamery.

Mr. Eames was married December 5, 1860, to Miss Eda Thompson, of Embden. Born August 14, 1840, she is a daughter of Fletcher and Martha (Gray) Thompson, both of whom died in North Anson, this county. Mr.

Thompson, a native of Madison, was a farmer and lumberman. His wife was born in Embden. Mr. Eames is the chairman of the Embden Republican Committee, and has served on the Board of Selectmen for seven years. He belonged to the Knights of Pythias in Argenta, Nev., being a member of Lodge No. 9 of Battle Mountain. Both he and Mrs. Eames attend religious service at the Union church in Embden village.

JOHN BARKER, a member of the well-known hardware firm of Chase, Barker & Co., of Calais, Me., was born in this city, April 19, 1834, son of Samuel Foss and Anne (Deming) Barker. He is of English origin, his great-grandfather Barker having come from England, and settled in York County, Maine. Timothy Barker, his paternal grandfather, was born either in Buxton or in Wells, Me., January 4, 1774, and at an early date settled in Calais. He married Susan Bowen, born February 15, 1774, and their children were: John B., born January 18, 1799, who died March 16, 1827; Miranda, born December 1, 1800, who died January 9, 1862; Samuel Foss, born February 20, 1803, died October 10, 1849; Eliza, born June 18, 1805, died September 29, 1891; Susan B., born September 6, 1807, died July 29, 1873; Sewell, born September 18, 1809, died January 1, 1881; Ransellaer, born April 6, 1812, died November 10, 1872; and Timothy, Jr., who was born March 13, 1816, and died September 24, 1817. Of these children, Samuel Foss

Barker deserves special and more extended mention.

Among the forces that contribute to make a town what it is and to form its distinctive atmosphere, none is more potent than the character of its early citizens. It is most important for the well-being of communities, as well as of individuals, that they start right; for the aims and ideals of the founders are very apt to dominate the lives of their successors. The city of Calais was very fortunate in having among its early citizens a few men whose upright Christian character and public spirit did much for its future honor and prosperity. It is fitting that the memory of such leaders of a town should be perpetuated by those who are now reaping the benefits of their labors. When the history of Calais is written, the name of Deacon Samuel F. Barker will be found among those who did the most to promote the moral and religious interests of the community.

Born in Buxton, Me., February 20, 1803, he received his education in the common schools. When the War of 1812 broke out, he was living with his parents in Calais, and during the course of the war he performed military service in Captain Abijah Gregory's company, Colonel Ulster's regiment, United States Volunteers, 1812-13, for which he received a land grant from the United States government. After the war he followed the sea for a year or two. Then he became clerk in the store of Jeremiah Fowler in Lubec, where he received the business training that was the foundation of his successful career.

About 1826 he removed to Calais, and in partnership with William Deming, under the firm name of Barker & Deming, kept a store at the foot of North Street, where the railroad now runs, and engaged in the sale of a general line of merchandise, they becoming the leading merchants in this section. In 1833 Mr. Barker withdrew from the firm, and engaged in business for himself for a short time. But on account of failing health he subsequently retired from mercantile life to a farm comprising all the land between South and Swan Streets to the Milltown line, where he spent the remainder of his days, dying October 10, 1849.

His life, although short in years and comparatively quiet and uneventful, was long in beneficent activities and in the good and wholesome influence that he exerted. Elected the first Deacon in the Congregational church, he served from 1833 until his death. He was a Free Mason, a member of St. Croix Lodge. Previous to his conversion he took an active part in military and social matters. He was without political aspirations. One who was for many years his fellow-citizen and personal friend says of him: "His industry and integrity as a business man, his urbanity as a gentleman, his kindness as a neighbor, his loyalty to good order as a citizen, and his unostentatious piety as a Christian, commended him to the kindly regard of all who knew him. He saw the lax state of morals in the community, and united his efforts with those of other kindred spirits for a reform; and, though not favored with a liberal education,

his was a warm heart, a consistent character for goodness, and a benevolent regard for all who came under his influence, that made him a power for good in the community. He was an ardent advocate of temperance, and, uniting example with precept, was among the first few who labored untiringly for its promotion. Every cause, indeed, of moral reform found in him a friend and helper. He did much, therefore, to give tone to the moral character of his early adopted home. He early connected himself with the church of his choice, and for more than twenty years so held the office of its first Deacon that he purchased to himself a good report."

He was married April 2, 1826, to Lurena Kilburn, who died January 9, 1829. Their only child, Samuel Fowler Barker, was born July 23, 1827. Deacon Barker married for his second wife, January 31, 1830, Anne Deming, who was born in Needham, Mass., February 17, 1798, daughter of Charles Deming, of that town. She survived her husband twenty-seven years, dying November 21, 1876. A woman of more than ordinary intellectual culture and high Christian character, she was one of the first members of the Congregational church in Calais, to which town she came in 1827, and during her entire life one of its most active workers. While her husband lived she labored earnestly with him for the moral and spiritual welfare of the community. She taught school in Calais for three years. She was one of the earliest members, and was for many years first directress of the Calais Female Benevolent Society. The children of

Deacon Samuel F and Anne D. Barker were: Emily Lurena, born October 18, 1830; Elizabeth, born in 1832, died in 1835; John, above named, born April 19, 1834; Stephen, born April 19, 1836; Anne Deming, born March 12, 1839; and William Sewell, born in 1841, died in 1842.

The Demings, Fullers, and Treats, from whom through different lines Mrs. Anne D. Barker was descended, were among the earliest families of New England. Richard Treat and his wife, Joan, with their two sons, two daughters, and a nephew, accompanied Winthrop, Saltonstall, and others to Massachusetts Bay in 1630, and were among the founders of Watertown. In 1635 the Treats joined the party of colonists that made its way through the wilderness to Connecticut, and were among the first settlers in Wethersfield.

The first American progenitor of this branch of the Fuller family was the Hon. Thomas Fuller, an Englishman, who was a resident of Dedham, Mass., in 1635. On November 22, 1643, he married Hannah Flower, a native of England. He died September 25, 1690, his wife having passed away April 11, 1673. John Fuller, son of Thomas, was born in Dedham, December 28, 1645, and died in Needham, January 15, 1719. On January 18, 1672, he married Judith Gay. His son, Captain Robert Fuller, was born August 11, 1685, and died March 3, 1769. The first wife of Captain Robert died in 1718; and on July 6, 1721, he married Sarah Mills. Lieutenant Robert Fuller, the next in line of

descent, who was born June 6, 1714, settled in Needham, Mass., where he died in 1788. He married Sarah Eaton, who was born in 1713, and died in 1797. Moses Fuller, son of Lieutenant Robert and Sarah (Eaton) Fuller, was born in Needham, April 29, 1750. On April 14, 1774, he married Elizabeth Newell, born February 22, 1754. On July 29, 1793, their daughter, Mehitable, married Charles Deming, Mrs. Anne D. Barker's father.

The Deming family was founded by the Hon. John Deming, who settled at Wethersfield in 1635. He was a member of the Colonial legislature in 1649, and his name appears upon the charter of Connecticut dated 1662. In 1637 he married Honor, daughter of Richard Treat, and his son, Jonathan, was born in 1639. Charles Deming, son of Jonathan, was born in Wethersfield, January 14, 1681, and married Ann Wickham, September 5, 1706. His son, Jonathan, second, born January 29, 1723, married Esther Edes. Charles Deming, son of Jonathan and Esther (Edes) Deming, born March 6, 1774, was a resident of Needham, where he died December 27, 1817. In 1793 he married Mehitable, daughter of Moses and Elizabeth (Newell) Fuller. He had thirteen children, the record being as follows: Jonathan Edes, born November 11, 1793, died November 7, 1815; Esther, born June 29, 1795, died April 25, 1879; Charles, born August 21, 1796, died August 27, 1796; Anne, born February 17, 1798, married Samuel Foss Barker, and died November 21, 1876; Charles (second), born June 13, 1799, died

June 18, 1857; Mary, born December 18, 1800, died in June, 1883; Elizabeth Fuller, born May 23, 1802, died September 15, 1831; William, born February 21, 1804, died March 3, 1882; Isaac, born September 2, 1805, died August 2, 1890; Adeline, born April 14, 1808, died August 3, 1809; Adeline Townsend, born July 5, 1810, died March 7, 1883; Sarah Fuller, born August 24, 1812, died May 23, 1889; Francis, born April 20, 1814, died March 5, 1858, at Naples, Italy. The mother, Mrs. Mehitable Fuller Deming, died September 5, 1867, aged ninety years and eight months.

John Barker, the eldest son of Deacon Samuel F. Barker by his second wife, was educated in the public schools of Calais. Upon reaching the age of seventeen he began to serve an apprenticeship to the machinist's trade, and continued in that occupation as apprentice and journeyman until he was twenty-three. In 1857 he entered the store of D. K. Chase as clerk, and in 1863 was admitted as partner, the firm name becoming Chase & Barker. Two years later, on the admission of Prescott M. Purrington as a member of the firm, its style was changed to Chase, Barker & Co., which it still remains, notwithstanding the demise of Mr. Chase several years ago. The concern, which occupies centrally located quarters at the foot of North Street, and deals in paints, oils, and all kinds of builders' supplies, is the largest as well as the oldest establishment of its kind in the city.

August 31, 1868, Mr. Barker married Annie

M. Andrews, daughter of John Andrews, of Milltown, N.B. He has had three children, namely: William Deming, who was born September 17, 1869, and died in February, 1870; Ralph Andrews, born December 2, 1873, who was graduated at Yale College, class of 1897; and Daniel K. Chase Barker, born June 14, 1876.

Mr. Barker occupies an important place among the leading business men of Calais, and is a trustee of the Calais Savings Bank. An active member of the Congregational church and a promoter of the moral and religious welfare of the community, he has ably continued the good work carried on so effectively by his father, especially in the cause of temperance and prohibition. He was at one time connected with the Law and Order League.

ROBINSON, ALEXANDER M. ROBINSON, the president of the Piscataquis Savings Bank in Dover and an ex-member of the Maine Senate and House of Representatives, was born in Bangor, April 25, 1814, son of William and Hannah (Hutchins) Robinson. By both parents he is of English extraction. The father, a native of Boston, who was a merchant in that city, after losing his property through the embargo during the War of 1812, came to Maine. He taught school, and was engaged in other occupations in Bangor previous to its incorporation as a city. Afterward, entering mercantile business once more, he carried on a general store in Corinna until his death,

which occurred at an advanced age. He was the father of four children, of whom the only survivor is Alexander M. The others were: Francis G., Mary, and Eliza, each of whom married and had a family. William Robinson was a Baptist, while in politics he was a Federalist. Mrs. Hannah Robinson, who was a native of Hermon, Penobscot County, Me., died in 1818.

Bereft of a mother's care at the age of four years, Alexander M. Robinson was sent to reside with an aunt in the vicinity of Charleston, Me., where he remained until he was fourteen. Up to this time he had attended the district school. After returning to his father he worked out during the summer season, resuming his studies in the winter. Later he taught school himself. At length he was able to enter the Foxcroft Academy, from which he was graduated in 1834. Then he studied law, and was duly admitted to the Penobscot County bar in 1837. Locating for practice in Sebec, this county, he remained there until the autumn of 1854. Since then he has conducted a large general law business in Dover, and resided upon a farm of sixty acres in close proximity to the village. He has aided in introducing many public improvements, and subscribed liberally to the stock of the Bangor & Piscataquis Railway, of which he was formerly a director, and has been its attorney for many years. He was the president of the Piscataquis Agricultural Society for twenty years in succession, has been the president of the Piscataquis Savings Bank for the past ten years, a trustee of the Fox-

croft Academy since 1850, at the present time its president, and is president of the Central Hall Association. His labors in behalf of the town, county, and State have been both varied and useful, covering a long period and including many different branches of the public service. While residing in Sebec he was County Commissioner and the chairman of the board for the years 1839, 1840, and 1841; and he was a member of what was known as the "Dead-lock Senate" in 1854. He held the position of County Attorney, was a member of the State Board of Agriculture, and a trustee and member of the Executive Committee of the Agricultural College at Orono for seven years each. Under the bankrupt law of 1840 he was appointed General Assignee. In the legislature of 1868 he was assigned to the Committees on Railroads and Banking, and in the State militia he has served as Captain, Major, and Colonel.

In 1839 Mr. Robinson was united in marriage with Mary A. Chase, who was born in Sebec, January 23, 1819, daughter of Joseph and Comfort (Livermore) Chase, both of whom were natives of this State. Mrs. Robinson's father was a prosperous farmer of Sebec. A man of more than ordinary ability, he served as Representative to the legislature, and was High Sheriff of Piscataquis County for four terms. He lived to be eighty-two years old. His wife died at about fifty. They were the parents of seven children, of whom Mrs. Robinson, who was the first-born, is the only survivor. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson have had nine children, two of whom died in

infancy. Five sons are living, namely: Joseph W., a railway station agent in Dover; John F., an attorney-at-law in Bangor; Alexander M., Jr., a druggist of that city; Frank, who is the foreman of the Eastern Division of the Maine Central Railroad, with headquarters in Bangor; and Oscar, a druggist in Colusa, Cal. Two of the others attained maturity: Andrew J., who served for three years and three months with Company A, Sixth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, in the Civil War, and died at the age of twenty-one; and Mary E. Robinson, who died at the age of forty-one years. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson have twelve grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Politically, Mr. Robinson is a Democrat of the Jeffersonian type.

CHARLES L. HOLBROOK, an enterprising and skilful agriculturist of Stark, Somerset County, son of John and Esther (Childs) Holbrook, was born in this township, April 28, 1842. The father was born and reared in Stark; and here, with the exception of a few years spent in Fairfield, Me., his active period was passed, chiefly engaged in farming. He is now living with his son, Charles L., having abandoned laborious occupation. His first wife, Esther Childs Holbrook, died in 1843. Subsequently he married Mrs. Lydia Hall, of Norridgewock, who died in 1874; and then, Mrs. Penial Mayo, whose death occurred on December 25, 1896. By his first wife there were two children: Charles L., the subject of

this sketch; and one that died in infancy. Of the four children born of his second marriage, the three eldest — Selden, Leroy, and Venelia — are deceased. The youngest child, George W., a carpenter and joiner, lives in South Dakota. The third wife had no children.

Having received his rudimentary education in the district schools, Charles L. Holbrook attended the Westbrook Seminary and the Skowhegan Academy, completing his studies in the latter institution. He remained on the home farm until the breaking out of the Civil War, when he quickly responded to the call for volunteers. He enlisted for three months on April 26, 1861, in the Portland Light Infantry, under Captain George W. Tukey and Colonel N. J. Jackson, and was employed in guard duty for the greater part of his term. On August 3, 1861, he was honorably discharged from the service at Portland. He spent the next six months in farming near East Raynham, Mass., and then taught school for eighteen years in Stark and adjoining towns, besides conducting a farm. In 1864 he bought the farm on which he now resides, and which he has managed according to the most improved methods, devoting it to general farming and the raising of small fruits. Besides the hundred acres it contains, he owns an equally large tract of woodland, the whole forming a handsome estate.

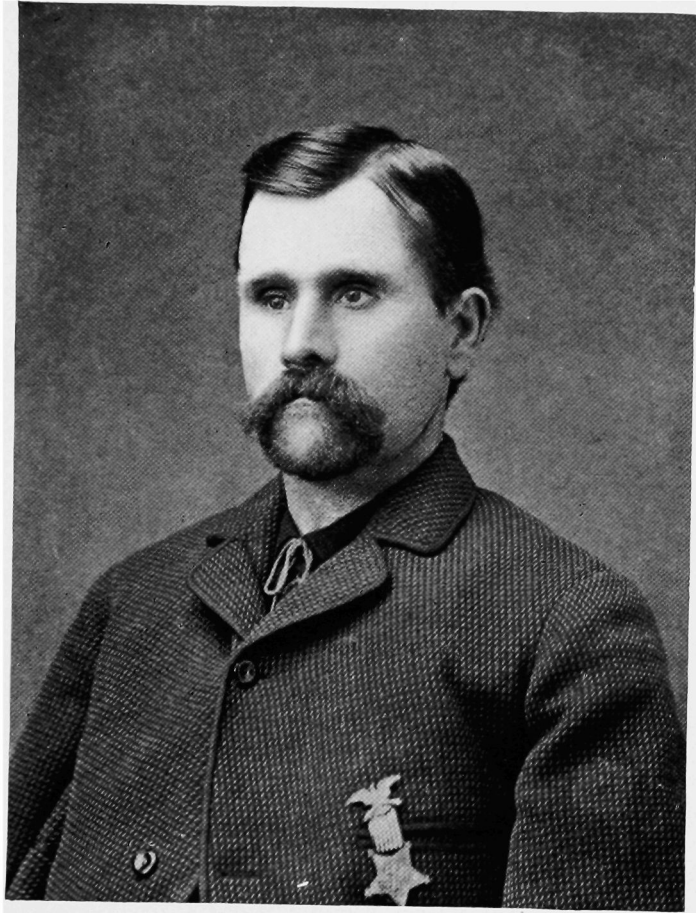
On August 6, 1864, Mr. Holbrook married Miss Eliza F. Fowler, who was born December 19, 1840, in Athens, Me. Her parents, Charles and Eunice (Emery) Fowler, died in

Skowhegan. Mr. Fowler was a farmer by occupation, and he lived in various townships of this vicinity, including Bloomfield and Skowhegan. Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook are the parents of seven children, namely: Don C., who died at the age of sixteen; Clair L., who died in May, 1897, aged twenty-nine years; Linwood M., formerly a manufacturer, who married Kate C. Fletcher, of Skowhegan; Emma M. and William Parker, both clerks in Skowhegan; and Addie L. and Enid B. Mr. Holbrook has rendered efficient service to the town as Selectman and as a member of the School Committee for several terms. He also represented his district in the State legislature in 1888 and 1889. In politics he is a sound Republican and one of the most active members of his party. Fraternally, he belongs to the grange at Norridgewock. Mrs. Holbrook attends the Baptist church at Norridgewock, with which she united several years ago.

JOHAN M. SAFFORD, a prosperous farmer of Lexington, Somerset County, and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in Livermore, Me., November 11, 1838, son of Nathan and Clarinda (Robinson) Safford. The father in 1842 moved from Turner, his native town, to Concord, this county, where he remained about four years. Subsequently he settled upon a farm in West Lexington. He carried on general farming for the rest of his active period, and his last years were spent with his children. He died in April, 1893. Clarinda, his wife, who was a

native of Livermore, became the mother of seven children, namely: Angela, who is no longer living; Nathan Weston, a resident of North New Portland; Alphonso, of New Portland; Ellen C., the wife of Benjamin Taylor, of Lexington; Eliza A., who is now Mrs. Edgecomb, and resides in Brockton, Mass.; Emily F., the wife of Leonard Knowlton, of New Portland; and John M., the subject of this sketch. The mother died in 1849.

John M. Safford received his education in the district schools. At the age of seventeen he went to Turner, where he worked upon a farm until he was twenty-three. On September 7, 1861, he enlisted as a private in Company E, Eighth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, under Colonel Strickland and Captain Thomas Hutchins. He was subsequently in the engagement at Hilton Head and at the reduction of Fort Pulaski. When his first term of service expired, he re-enlisted with his regiment, joined the Army of the James, and participated in the battles of Bermuda Hundred, Drewry's Bluff, Cold Harbor, Chapin's Farm, the siege of Petersburg, and the second battle of Fair Oaks. At Fair Oaks he received a wound in the right arm of such a serious nature as to cause its immediate amputation. He spent eight months in the hospitals of Fortress Monroe and New York, and was honorably discharged in June, 1865. After his return he resumed farming; and, although crippled by the loss of an arm, his natural energy has made him prosperous. At the present time he and his brother-in-law, Benjamin Taylor, another disabled veteran,



JOHN M. SAFFORD.

own conjointly over four hundred acres of land, thirty acres of which is under cultivation, and the rest under timber. They raise considerable hay and grain, besides stock, and are interested in dairying to some extent.

Mr. Safford has served with ability in some of the town offices, and in politics he is a Republican. He is a comrade of Isaac Penal Post, No. 94, G. A. R., of North New Portland, and is highly respected both as a citizen and a veteran.

IVORY P. TASH, M.D., a well-known physician of Fairfield village, Somerset County, was born in Exeter, this State, June 11, 1849, son of John and Esther (Mathews) Tash. His father, born in Orneville, resided there and in Penobscot County, following the occupation of farmer. He died in 1861. His mother, Esther, who was born in Penobscot County, died in 1870. They were the parents of nine children, three of whom are living, namely: Albert, who is a farmer and grain merchant at Lewiston, Me.; Maria, who is the wife of Hooper Avery, and resides at Exeter; and Ivory P., the subject of this sketch.

The early education of Ivory P. Tash was received at the celebrated Kent's Hill School in which many well-known Maine men have been educated. Subsequently he graduated at the Maine Central Institute, class of 1875, and then attended medical lectures at Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Me., for a year. Going from there to the University of New York, he

graduated from that institution in 1879 after two years' study, and received his diploma. He then practised medicine in Corinna, Me., for a year and in Clinton for about five years. After that he came to Fairfield, where he has since resided. His present practice embraces Canaan, Clinton, Fairfield, and the other neighboring towns. Office patients, of whom he has a large number, consult him in the morning on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and in the afternoon on the other days of the week.

Dr. Tash was married in 1880 to Lizzie Crooker, daughter of Hiram Crooker, a ship-builder of Stockton. Both of her parents are deceased. Mrs. Tash has had no children. The Doctor has never held political office, and has never cared to do so. He is a Republican in politics, and always votes the Republican ticket. An esteemed Mason, he is a member of Corinna Lodge and Ticonic Chapter of Waterville. In religion both he and Mrs. Tash favor Universalist teachings.

JOHAN S. HAMOR, who lost his life in defending the Union during the third year of the Civil War, was born October 7, 1832, at Hull's Cove, in the town of Eden on Mount Desert Island, Hancock County, Me. He was a son of Captain Ezra and Eliza (Higgins) Hamor, and great-grandson of John Hamor, who moved from Avondale, Me. (now Kennebunkport), to Mount Desert in 1768, settling as a squatter at the head of Hull's Cove.

A year after his arrival here with his family John Hamor departed upon a prospecting tour westward, from which he never returned. He left a widow and five children, the eldest of whom, David, John S. Hamor's grandfather, was but twelve years old. The proprietor of the land, recognizing the squatter's claim of John Hamor, gave David Hamor a title to the farm when he became of age. A further account of the family ancestry will be found in a sketch of Eben M. Hamor, which appears elsewhere in the REVIEW. Captain Ezra Hamor, son of David, father of John S. Hamor, was for many years of his active life a ship-master, but his last days were spent upon the home farm. He reared a family of nine children, and six are living.

John S. Hamor was educated in the town school, and, like most of the youths of this section, at an early age he went to sea in the coasting trade. In 1862 he enlisted as a private in Company E, Twenty-sixth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry; and at the battle of Irish Bend, April 14, 1863, he received a severe gunshot wound, from the effects of which he died the following day.

Mr. Hamor married Angelia T. Hamor, daughter of Captain Edward and Elemenia (Thomas) Hamor, of Eden. Mrs. Angelia T. Hamor's father, Captain Edward Hamor, who was a successful ship-master engaged in the foreign trade, built the handsome brick dwelling at Hull's Cove now occupied by his daughter. It is the only residence on the island built wholly of that material. Captain Edward Hamor died at Port au Prince of

yellow fever, a comparatively young man. His daughter was then but seven years old. He left a son also, George B. Hamor, who resides in South Boston. Mrs. Hamor has two children — Calvert G. and Hattie E. Calvert G. Hamor married Lena Campbell. They reside in this place. They have one daughter, Leota. Hattie E. lives at home with her mother.

JUDSON WINSLOW CURRIER, a Civil War veteran, living retired in Hartland, Somerset County, son of Oren and Patience (Hanson) Currier, was born in Dover, Me., August 4, 1842. The father, born in Anson, Me., November 27, 1816, who followed the trade of a wool carder for many years in Dover, died April 17, 1864. He was twice married. Patience, his first wife, who was born in North Berwick, Me., June 15, 1813, died December 24, 1856. His second wife, Lucinda N. Chisholm Currier, born in Jefferson, Me., January 4, 1822, died August 22, 1864. By his first union he was the father of eight children, namely: Pamela, born November 10, 1838, who married Eben Hall, and died in January, 1896, leaving one daughter, Lizzie Hall; Melvina, born July 30, 1840, who is now the wife of Granville Shackford, of Old Orchard, Me., having one daughter, Jessie M. Shackford; Judson W., the subject of this sketch; Maria, born in St. Albans, Me., March 14, 1844, who died at the age of twenty years; Levi Wood, born February 5, 1846, who was drowned at the age of four years; Elizabeth Ellen, born Septem-

ber 5, 1847, who died at the age of four years; Ella, born April 9, 1851, who married Alfred Hicks, and has two children — Grace and Arthur; and Levi Currier, second, born December 31, 1853, who died at the age of ten years. Born of the second wife were two children, namely: Samuel C., on August 27, 1858, who died August 19, 1879; and Oren W. Currier, May 19, 1861, who married Mary E. Richardson, of Lincolnville, and is now a farmer in Appleton, Me.

Judson Winslow Currier acquired a common-school education. In his youth he worked upon a farm. He enlisted as a private in Company H, Sixth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, successively on May 13, 1861, and January 5, 1863, participated in several decisive battles of the Civil War, was wounded in the right hand at Spottsylvania Court House by the bursting of a gun, was confined in Belle Isle Prison eight weeks, and lay seriously ill at College Green Hospital for some time. After his discharge at Augusta, June 1, 1865, he located upon a farm in Garland, Me., where he resided until 1879. Then, coming to Hartland, he was employed as engineer at the Linn Woollen Mills for seventeen years, at the end of which time he retired.

On January 22, 1863, Mr. Currier first married Sarah J. Atkins, daughter of John Atkins, of Garland. They reared three children, namely: Lillia M., who married Harry Pierpont, resides with him in Madison, Me., and has one child, Royden H.; Rosa L., who resides in Freeport, Me.; and Maud, who married Earl Cooke, and resides in California.

The mother died April 14, 1875. Mr. Currier contracted a second marriage on March 22, 1876, with Nellie A. Woodbury, of St. Albans, who died March 14, 1893; and on September 16 of that year he entered a third marriage with Mrs. Ora Ham Starbird, the widow of Arthur Starbird, late of Hartland. The third Mrs. Currier is a daughter of John and Abigail Ham, the former of whom was a native of Hartland, and is no longer living; while the latter, who was born in Waterville, is now residing with her daughter. Since he relinquished his regular employment, Mr. Currier has devoted his time to the cultivation of a farm, on which he resides. He is a comrade of Stephen Davis Post, G. A. R., of Pittsfield, and is much esteemed in the town.

HENRY WHITING, one of the leading merchants of Ellsworth, Hancock County, was born in this city, February 17, 1855. A son of Henry and Susan (Jarvis) Whiting, he is a descendant in the ninth generation of the Rev. William Whiting, who previous to his departure for America was the rector of Lynn Regis, or the King's Lynn, in the County of Norfolk, England. This ancestor was the first settled pastor in Lynn, Mass., which he was instrumental in naming when it was set off from Saugus. The record of the court on the incorporation of the town in November, 1637, is in these four words, "Saugust is called Lin." The Rev. Samuel Whiting, son of the Rev. William, while a native of England, was one of the early

graduates of Harvard College. He, his son Oliver, and his grandson Samuel resided in Billerica, Mass. Timothy Whiting, first, son of the last Samuel, served in the French and Indian War, and held a Major's commission in the war for independence. At the age of sixteen Captain Timothy Whiting, the great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, together with a brother aged fourteen, participated in the memorable fight at Concord. Captain Whiting afterward served throughout the siege of Boston, accompanied General Benedict Arnold upon his march to Quebec, and was later Commissary-general of the American army in Massachusetts. Thomas J. Whiting, the grandfather, who was born in Massachusetts in 1796, settled in Ellsworth about the year 1815.

Henry Whiting, Sr., second son of Thomas J., was born here in 1820. In 1846 he and his brother, Samuel K., founded the mercantile business now carried on by his sons, who were admitted to the concern in 1876. In 1854 the elder Whitings built the large brick block bearing their name. Henry Whiting, Sr., died October 22, 1892. He was an able business man and a prominent factor in public affairs, serving upon the Board of Aldermen for a number of years. Susan Jarvis Whiting, his wife, who was a native of Castine, Me., became the mother of six children — Susan E., Mary F., Thomas J., Samuel K., Henry, and George W. Whiting. Mary F. married O. M. Drake, M.D., and resides in Boston. Susan E. is now Mrs. Cushing, of Ellsworth. Thomas J. lives in Boston, Mass. Samuel K.,

the fourth named, married Carrie Hathaway, of North Dighton, Mass., and has two children — William and Ray. George W. married for his first wife Mary Cousins, of Lamoine, Me., who died within the following year. He married for his second wife Grace, daughter of H. B. Saunders, of Ellsworth, and by her has one daughter, Dorothy.

Henry Whiting acquired a practical education, which with his natural ability admirably fitted him for a business life. That he has made good use of his opportunities is amply attested by his present prosperity. He takes a lively interest in the various institutions of the city, is vice-president of the Board of Trade, has served with credit upon the Board of Aldermen, and is chairman of the City and County Republican Committees. On July 1, 1898, he was appointed Collector of Customs, district of Frenchman's Bay, taking the office August 1, 1898. He married Mary Campbell, of Cherryfield, Me., and was recently called upon to mourn her loss, in which he has the sympathy of a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. Mr. Whiting is a member of the Masonic order and of the Sons of the American Revolution.

BEN H. KING, a retired business man of Lamoine, Hancock County, son of the Rev. John and Mary (Googins) King, was born October 21, 1831, in the part of Trenton now called Lamoine. The paternal grandfather, also named John King, was born in Saco, York County, Me., and there spent the

first years of his life. Coming from Saco to Trenton, he purchased land about one mile south of that now occupied by his grandson, Eben H., and at once began the improvement of a homestead. There were no roads across the country at that time, and the nearest market was Ellsworth, whither he carried his surplus grain, and where he bought the needed supplies for his household. Here he subsequently battled successfully with nature in his struggle for a living. It was of such as he and his good wife, Betsey Lord King, that Oliver Wendell Holmes said, "There was never an opening made in the forest that did not let in the light on heroes and heroines." He died while yet in the prime of life from lockjaw, leaving his widow with a large family of children.

The Rev. John King, who spent his entire life of fifty-four years in Trenton, upward of half a century ago built the house in which his son now resides. Ordained as a minister of the Baptist denomination, he preached in the Lamoine Baptist church throughout the remainder of his life. He also represented the town in the State legislature for one or more terms. With his wife, Mary, a daughter of Benjamin Googins, of Lamoine, he reared five children, namely: Warren, who married Mary Gilpatrick, and died at the age of fifty-eight years, leaving four children—Matilda, Ella, Clifford, and Arno W.; Nathan, who was lost at sea in 1841, when sixteen years old; Lewis E., the Postmaster of Lamoine, who successively married Mary Ann King and Adelaide Downs, and has a son by each wife,

respectively John L. and Elwood M.; Ellen M., who is the wife of George Whittaker, of Lamoine, and has had two children—Eben K. and Susie May; and Eben H., the subject of this sketch.

Eben H. King was educated in the district schools. In early life he worked at the carpenter's trade for ten years. Then in company with his brothers he established himself in business as a ship-builder, and assisted in the construction of eight different vessels that were built in their yard. During the subsequent ten years he was employed in fitting out vessels for the fisheries on the Grand Banks and in curing fish for the markets, a profitable business at that time. Of recent years he has devoted himself entirely to the care of his cosy little farm of thirty acres. Always interested in advancing the welfare of his town, he has taken an active part in its affairs. He was Town Clerk for ten years, Town Treasurer eight years, and Selectman for three years. He is a Democrat in politics, and he cast his first Presidential vote in 1852 for Franklin Pierce. Mr. King married Hannah H., daughter of Stephen and Betsey (McFarland) Young. The only child of Mr. and Mrs. King, Susie B., an adopted daughter, died at the age of twenty-six years. Both attend the Baptist church.

JAMES R. HILTON, one of the most prosperous and prominent farmers of Somerset County, has a large and well-improved estate in Starks township, where he

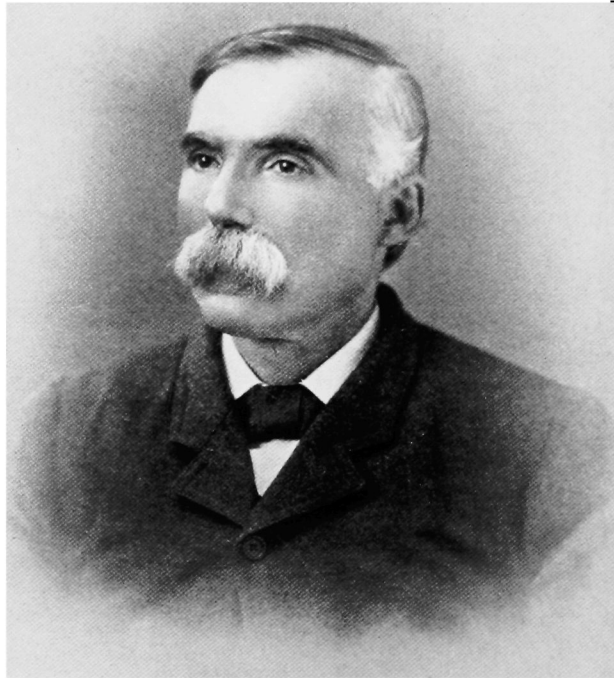
has lived since his birth on December 22, 1835. He comes of excellent pioneer ancestry, being a grandson of Benjamin Hilton, one of the original settlers of the neighboring town of Anson, and a great-grandson, on the maternal side, of Colonel James Waugh, who married Bathsheba Fairfield. According to the deed in the possession of his lineal descendant, James R. Hilton, the present owner, Colonel Waugh purchased this farm in 1774. Here he reared his family, residing on it for the remainder of his life. At his death his son, John, succeeded to the homestead.

James M. Hilton, the father of James R., was born on the old Hilton homestead in Anson, and there lived until he attained his majority. He chose farming as his life occupation, although he had learned the blacksmith's trade, at which he worked more or less during his life. After his marriage with Mary Waugh, a daughter of John Waugh, he settled on the Waugh homestead in Starks, of which, after the death of his father-in-law, he had charge until 1861. In that year he removed to Norridgewock, whence he went to the village of Madison. A few months later he returned to Norridgewock, where the rest of his life was spent in retirement. He died September 15, 1868. Of his union with Miss Waugh eight children were born, namely: John, who died in infancy; John, second, who died in California in 1894; Betsey, who is the wife of Ira Doolittle, the proprietor of a hotel in San Francisco; Lydia, who makes her home in San Francisco with Mrs. Doolittle; Fidelia, who died at the age of two years; Caro-

line, who was the wife of George Seaman, and died December 23, 1896, in California; James R., the subject of this biography; and Abbie, who is the wife of Augustus Getchell, a farmer in Benton, Me. Except two who received their education in an academy, all the children were educated in the public schools. After his first wife died in 1847, the father married Mrs. Lois Bartlett Pierce, the widow of John Pierce, and who was born in New Portland, Somerset County, a daughter of John Bartlett. She is now living with one of her sons by her first husband in Buffalo, N. Y.

James R. Hilton was educated in the district schools of his neighborhood, and afterward taught school for a time. He worked on the farm with his father in the earlier years of his life; and when he married he brought his young wife to the homestead, in which he had a half-interest. A few months later his brother-in-law purchased the remaining half of the property. The two proprietors had carried on the farm together for a time when Mr. Hilton bought the entire estate. The farm, which is called Ox Bow farm, contains five hundred acres of land. Its most important improvements were made by the present proprietor and his father. In addition to the crops common to this section of New England, Mr. Hilton raises on it each year some four hundred sheep of a superior breed, a fact for which he is noted throughout the county.

Mr. Hilton was married October 7, 1860, to Miss Maria E. Boardman, who was born January 3, 1843, in Skowhegan, Me. She was the adopted daughter of James and Eliza



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(Lawrence) Boardman, the former of whom was a shoemaker and the Postmaster at Norridgewock for a number of years, where he and his wife spent their last days. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Hilton were: Ira B., born July 28, 1861, who owns an interest in the home farm, and resides with his parents; James B., who died in very early childhood; the third-born, unnamed, who died in infancy; and James M., born March 21, 1884. Mr. Hilton has never been an aspirant for political honors; but he has ever taken an active and intelligent interest in local matters, and has earnestly supported the principles of the Democratic party. He is a member of Starks Grange, and his eldest son is an Odd Fellow. Mrs. Hilton, who shares with her husband the esteem of the entire community, is an active member of the Unitarian church.

DAVID R. BROWN, M.D., who is successfully following his profession in Hartland, Somerset County, was born in Paisley, Scotland, September 26, 1832. His parents, David and Catherine (Ferguson) Brown, the former of whom was a cabinet-maker by trade, died in Scotland at an advanced age. They had four children.

David R. Brown was educated in Paisley, and there learned the business of a dyer, at which he worked for a short time. Later he pursued a course of medical study, and graduated in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1853. Having emigrated to the United States in February, 1880, he practised his profession for a short

time in Philadelphia. He came to Hartland in the latter part of the same year, and was the head dyer in the woollen-mills here for sixteen years. This position he resigned in 1897 in order to devote his whole time to his profession. In Hartland heretofore he had practised medicine to the extent his duties at the mills permitted. Now, free from other demands upon his time, he may be found daily at his office and residence on Academy Street. Having confined himself to business for so many years, he felt that a change would be beneficial to his health; and he accordingly took a trip to Wisconsin during the past summer, and returned to his professional duties with renewed vigor.

In 1852 Dr. Brown married Margaret Guy, a native of Glasgow, whose parents died when she was an infant. She became the mother of seven children, namely: Maggie, who married Henry Smith, a weaver of Hartland, and has two children — Ethel and Jean; James, who married Jennie Jackson, and is a dyer in Newburg, N.Y., having two children — Norman and Maggie; David Guy, who married Kate Brent, and is a dyer in North Dexter, having two children — David and Thelma; John F., a physician at Soldiers' Grove, Wis.; Myra, the wife of Charles Moore, a book-keeper for the Linn Woollen Company; Charles, who died at the age of three years; and a child that died in infancy. Dr. John F. Brown successively married Lizzie York, now deceased, and Florence Buel, of Milwaukee, Wis. Mrs. Margaret Brown died February 3, 1894. Politically, the Doctor is indepen-

dent, and believes in filling the elective offices with candidates best fitted for the public service. He is a member of Hartland Lodge, No. 101, I. O. O. F.

SUMNER W. ELLIOTT, the proprietor of one of the largest general stores in New Portland, Somerset County, was born in this town, April 6, 1851. His parents were Nathaniel and Hannah (Wellman) Elliott. Nathaniel Elliott, after living for some time in Hebron and Dover, eventually settled on a farm in New Portland. He died in 1889. His wife passed away a few years later. They reared three children, namely: Samuel B., who died in the army in 1862; Mary R., now deceased; and Sumner W. Mary R. was the wife of Marshall Emery, a store clerk in Lewiston, Me.

Sumner W. Elliott was educated in the common schools of New Portland. Having remained on his father's farm until of age, he spent two years in learning the harness-maker's trade in the village of New Portland. Then he learned the blacksmith's trade, and worked at it from 1872 to 1886, excepting a few months spent in prospecting and other work in Leadville, Col. After that he was engaged by B. B. Blaisdell, of Skowhegan, to manage the latter's store in this town. A short time after, Mr. Elliott purchased the store, and has since conducted it. His stock includes groceries, flour, country produce, confectionery, crockery, hardware, glassware, dry goods, ready-made clothing, hats, caps,

boots, shoes, and rubbers. As a business man he is quite successful. As a private citizen he is highly esteemed and has many friends.

Mr. Elliott was married November 9, 1879, to Nellie F., daughter of Jeremiah W. and Martha R. (Clark) Spear, of this town. Mr. Spear was in trade here at one time, but has been in retirement since the war, having been crippled by disease contracted in the army. Mrs. Spear died in July, 1896. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott have two children: Edna Gertrude, born in November, 1880; and Gwendoline Beatrice, born February 23, 1889. Mr. Elliott is a loyal Republican in politics. He is a member of Lemon Stream Lodge, No. 55, I. O. O. F., of this town, and belongs to the order of the Golden Cross. Both he and Mrs. Elliott are members of the Free Baptist Church of New Portland.

CHARLES N. WOOD, a farmer of prominence residing in Mercer township and a son of Nathan Wood, Jr., was born in Norridgewock, Me., March 8, 1836. His paternal grandfather, also named Nathan Wood, was a pioneer of Somerset County and one of the early settlers of Starks, where he cleared a farm from the unbroken wilderness, and spent his last days, dying there at an advanced age.

Nathan Wood, Jr., born on the old homestead in Starks, following in the footsteps of his forefathers, became a hewer of wood and a tiller of the soil. In his early life he carried on farming in Kingfield, Franklin County,

for five years, after which for a long time he occupied the Old Point farm in Norridgewock. From there he removed to Mercer, purchased a farm near the village, and resided here until his demise, on July 10, 1889, at the age of ninety-nine years and ten days. He was twice married. His second wife is Mrs. Ann Tobey Waugh. Her first husband was Levi Holway, of Fairfield, Me. After his death she became the wife of Daniel Waugh, of Starks, and, being left a widow the second time, married Nathan Wood, whom she preceded to the better world, dying in October, 1876. Of this last union there was but one child, Charles N. Wood, the subject of this biography. There were nine children born of the first marriage, namely: Nancy R., now deceased; Sabrina, now the wife of Stephen Savage, of Fairfield; Susan, living in Norridgewock, who is the widow of David Sylvester; James, a lumber dealer in Lewiston, Me.; Ann and Betsey, deceased; Olive, the widow of the late Benjamin Dunton, of Mercer village; John, a coal dealer in Lewiston, who has been a resident of that city for a quarter of a century; and William, a blacksmith in Lewiston.

Charles N. Wood received his education in the common schools of Mercer, and from his youth up worked on the farm. As his father became enfeebled by age, he gradually assumed the entire charge of the place, and tenderly cared for his parents in their declining days. He now owns one hundred and twenty acres of land, well improved and suitably equipped with buildings and machinery

adapted to the purposes of general farming and dairying, which he carries on in connection with teaming. Mr. Wood has always been actively identified with the Republican party, and has served in various offices, including that of Selectman, which he has held for eight years.

In 1862 Mr. Wood married Miss Elvira Swift, who was born in June, 1840, in Wayne, Me., a daughter of Alwin and Mary (Ridley) Swift, who died on their homestead farm when she was a young girl. Mr. and Mrs. Wood have had four children, namely: Hattie, who died at the age of nineteen years; Cora, a typewriter and stenographer in Boston; George M., residing with his parents and assisting in the care of the farm, who married Etta M. Norton, of Farmington, Me.; and Josephine, the wife of B. L. Frederick, who is engaged in the grocery business in Boston, Mass. Mrs. Wood is a member of the Free Baptist Church of Mercer and an active laborer in the denominational work of this locality.

RICHMOND I. WOOSTER, Collector of the Port at Hancock, Hancock County, was born here, September 15, 1840. Hancock was also the birthplace of his father, Leonard Wooster, and of his grandfather, Summers Wooster. His emigrant ancestor, William Wooster, located in Massachusetts at an early day. The founder of the Wooster family in this part of Maine was Richmond's great-grandfather, Oliver Wooster, who came here from Salisbury,

Mass., his native town, and was one of the original settlers of the county. Oliver's son, Summers Wooster, was an industrious, hard-working man of versatile capacities, who, in addition to being a fisherman, was a shoemaker, a farmer, and the foreman of an old tide mill owned by his brother William, at which he did a large milling business. He took up new land not far from the shore, and, in the log house that he built, installed his bride, whose maiden name was Hannah Bowden. On the homestead that he improved he and his wife spent their long lives, which lasted respectively ninety-seven and ninety-six years.

Leonard Wooster was a lifelong and prominent resident of Hancock. He engaged in fishing and coasting in his younger days, and at a later period was a master mariner and then a ship-builder. On his retirement from the sea he turned his attention to the management of his farm. In July, 1892, he was accidentally killed by falling from a hay-rick and breaking his neck. He was influential in town affairs, and for seven years was Town Clerk. He was a leading Free Mason in this locality and the promoter of the Hancock Grange, of which he was an active member. His wife, Phoebe Crabtree Wooster, was a direct descendant of one of the first settlers of Hancock; and her paternal grandfather, George Crabtree, was the first Collector of this port. She and her husband reared six children, namely: Richmond I., the subject of this sketch; Mary L., the widow of George H. Proctor, of Susquehanna, Pa., who has one

son and three daughters; Roxana W., who is the wife of Nahum Grant, of Hancock; Eugene J., a master mariner, who married Delia Graves, and has two children—Leonard and Edward; Charles H., the manager of the grange store, who married Isadore Graves, and has one child, Grace; and Martha P., the wife of John Walker, of Hancock.

Richmond I. Wooster completed his education at the Corinth Academy, after which he taught school for six years. Then, having already become familiar with seafaring, he engaged in that calling, following it for some twenty years, and making nineteen trips to the Grand Banks as captain of a vessel, a position which he attained when a youth of nineteen. In 1883 he returned to his farm in Hancock. Two years later he was appointed Collector of the Port, which office he held for five years. Soon after the re-election of President Cleveland he was reappointed to the same position, the duties of which he has efficiently and conscientiously discharged for the past four years.

In politics Mr. Wooster takes a leading part as a sound Democrat, having supported the principles of that party since casting his first Presidential vote for General George B. McClellan. He has rendered valuable service to the town both as Selectman and the superintendent of the schools. The latter office was filled by him for a longer period than any other person. In 1869 he was made a Mason at Livonia Lodge, No. 40, in Ellsworth, of which he is still a member. On January 8, 1868, he married Miss Augusta E. Wooster. They have four children, namely: Kitty B.,

who married Charles R. Bunker, of Boston, and has one child, Pauline; Helen A., now a teacher in the public schools at Somerville, Mass.; Bertha M., who is also a teacher; and Carl R.

REV. WILLIAM KING, the venerable pastor of the Free Will Baptist church at Cambridge, and well known in the denomination as an evangelist worker, was born in Wellington, Me., September 5, 1830, son of Elijah King, Jr., and Hannah (Nutt) King. The grandfather, Elijah King, a representative of one of the old families of Whitefield, Me., lived for many years in that town. A famous hunter, he is said to have killed forty-two bears and to have trapped and killed much other game. He was engaged in hunting and trapping up to the time of his death, and also carried on considerable farming. His last years were spent in Wellington and Parkman; and he died in the town of Bradford, Me., at the age of seventy-six. His wife, Betsey Philbrook before her marriage, who was born in Whitefield, died in Bradford at an advanced age. Both were members of the Calvinist Baptist church. In politics he was a Democrat. He had a family of eight children — Elijah, Miles, Rice, Otis, John, Frank, Betsey, and Belinda, all of whom reached maturity and reared families. Two of them are now living: John King, who resides in Norway, Me.; and Mrs. Belinda Packard, the widow of Hiram Packard, residing in this county.

Elijah King, Jr., who was born in White-

field on October 10, 1803, settled in Wellington when a young man. In 1833 he came to Parkman, where for over sixty years he lived on his farm. Most of the improvements on the place were made after he came here. At the time of his arrival there were no roads, and the country was in a state of primitive wildness. He went to mill and to meeting on horseback. Game was abundant, and wild beasts were ready at any moment to fall upon the farmer's stock when it was left unprotected. Elijah was a man of unusual strength and of great industry. He worked early and late, and could fell an acre of trees in a day, or reap an acre of wheat. A prominent church member and a loyal supporter of the Baptist Christian creed, he was active in religious affairs. In politics he was a Democrat. His death occurred on December 18, 1893. His wife, Hannah, who was born in Damariscotta, Me., on January 1, 1800, died on the same day that he did, and was buried in the same grave. They had been married nearly seventy years, and were respectively ninety and ninety-four years old. Of the five children born to them, four are living. These are: Mrs. Bethia Austin, of Exeter, Me., the Rev. William King, Mrs. Hannah Hardy, of Abbot, and Elijah W. King, of Wellington. Belinda died at the age of sixteen.

William King grew to manhood in Parkman, and has lived on the farm that is still his home since he was two years old. He has added some land to the original King farm, and owns now about two hundred acres, upon which he carries on general farming. He

was first married on October 14, 1860, to Rosina C. Pease, who was born in Wellington on February 4, 1840. She died, leaving one daughter, Rosina, now Mrs. Alfred D. Stilson, who resides on the King homestead. Mrs. Stilson has been for many years a teacher. She has had three children — Ethel K., Nellie B., and William A. Ethel died July 31, 1897. On April 4, 1864, a second marriage united Mr. King with Olivia Preble, who had been for some years a most successful teacher. She was born in Bowdoinham, Me., on August 31, 1839, daughter of Abraham and Betsey (Douglass) Preble, both natives of Bowdoinham and now deceased. The only child of this marriage, Rosie G., born July 4, 1866, married Charles H. Sears, who, born in Monson on April 15, 1863, died on May 20, 1890. Mrs. Sears taught school successfully for twenty-nine terms, was a member of the Parkman Free Will Baptist Church, and died after a painful illness on April 5, 1898.

In 1869 Mr. King was ordained to the ministry. Since that time he has been employed in ministerial and evangelical work, visiting a large portion of the centre of the State of Maine. During one winter he held revival meetings in Nova Scotia nearly every day, and as a result of his efforts many souls were converted. Having previously been settled as pastor in one place for twenty years, he came to Cambridge, the pastorate of which he has filled for the past eight or nine years. For a number of years he has also preached in the new Christian church at Parkman, and he

was pastor in Anson, New Vineyard, and Bingham. In late years his health has been somewhat impaired, and he has been obliged to give up his ministerial work to some extent. He still carries on the farm, and, whenever he is able to do so, officiates in his professional capacity. Mr. King has been a good citizen as well as a preacher. His political views are Democratic. He has been Collector of Taxes for the town, and it is needless to say that his service in that important position was given with scrupulous fidelity. In the course of his long ministry he has baptized one hundred persons by immersion, has married over sixty couples, and has attended a large number of funerals.

DAVID T. SANDERS, senior member of the firm D. T. Sanders & Son, of Greenville, and one of the leading business men of Piscataquis County, was born in Bath, Me., July 19, 1836. His parents were Thomas and Frances Ann (Parshley) Sanders. Thomas Sanders, an Englishman by birth, was a tailor, and followed his trade during his active life in Bath, Augusta, Wiscasset, and Sangerville. He died in Bangor at the age of sixty-five. His wife, a native of Bath, died in Guilford, Me., at the age of sixty. Both were connected with the Universalist church. They reared six children, namely: David T., the subject of this sketch; Frank, the wife of John Leavitt, of Guilford; Lucy, the wife of Elbridge Crockett, of Foxcroft; Mary, the wife of

George Bennett, of Newport, Me.; Alden N., residing in Sangerville; and William, residing in Guilford.

David T. Sanders acquired his education in the public schools of Sangerville and at Foxcroft Academy, having attended the latter institution for one term. His father, not a rich man, hearing that John H. Eveleth, a prominent merchant of Greenville, wanted a clerk, bespoke and obtained the position for his eldest son. David accordingly went to work when he was fifteen years old, making his home with Mr. Eveleth. He was to receive fifty dollars a year and his board until he was of age. Though the work was hard, the boy kept his position for five years and a half. After attaining his majority he remained with Mr. Eveleth four months longer, with the understanding that he was to receive eighteen dollars a month and his board, and then be admitted to the firm. At the end of the four months, however, he severed his connection with his employer to become a member of the firm of Shaw, Barton & Co. This was in 1857. For twenty-one years he was connected with this firm, through a number of changes in partnership. Mr. Barton sold his interest to Mr. Hildreth, and the firm became Shaw, Hildreth & Co. Then Mr. Sanders became head of the house, changing the name to D. T. Sanders & Co., with Mr. Shaw as associate. They had a large and successful business, Mr. Shaw managing the lumbering operations, and Mr. Sanders having charge of the store. The partners had sons growing up, and in 1878 they dissolved partnership to

establish separate houses. Mr. Shaw purchased Mr. Sanders's interest in the old business, and Mr. Sanders built a store on the opposite side of the street. Here he has now been established for nearly twenty years, in the meantime making a number of additions and improvements. He has a large and complete stock of general merchandise, and his buildings are handsome, commodious, and convenient. From the upper windows the view up the lake is unsurpassed. In the rear of the store is a large counting-room, and back of the building is a handsome stable. A storehouse, forty feet square and two stories high, is next to the store; and another, thirty by forty feet, is in the rear of the stable. In 1893 the firm completed another building at West Cove, between the tracks of the Canadian Pacific Railroad and the lake. Goods can be unloaded on one side from the cars into the building and from the building into the lake steamers on the other side. With this building they have facilities for handling grain from the West in large quantities. Mr. Sanders is also connected with the firm of Sanders Brothers & Co. He devotes much of his time to lumbering; is the treasurer and general manager of the Coburn Steamboat Company, which owns and operates four steamboats; and a director and large stockholder of the Guilford Bank and of the Eastern Trust Banking Company, of Bangor. The maker of his own fortune, he has reason to be proud of his successful career.

Mr. Sanders was married in 1859 to Louise Sawyer, who was born in Augusta, daughter

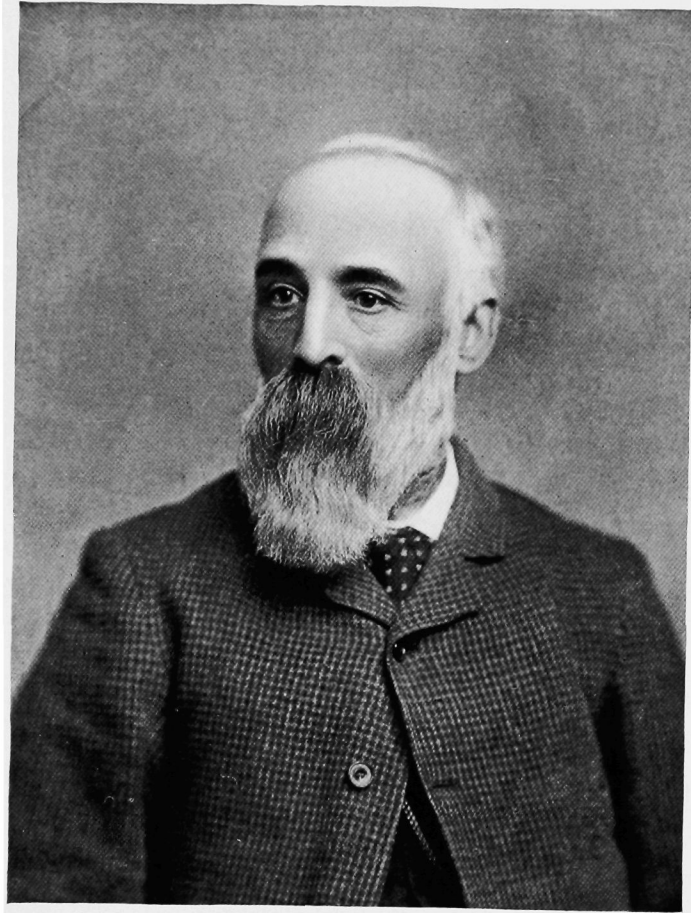
of Charles Sawyer, of Newport, Me. She died in 1866, leaving two children — Harry A. and Mabel. Mabel lived but two years and a half. A second marriage in 1869 united Mr. Sanders with Celestia, daughter of Captain Thomas Robinson, of Greenville. She has borne him one son, Leo, who died at the age of six years. Mr. Sanders is a staunch Democrat. For twenty years he has been Collector and Treasurer of Greenville. He is a member of the Greenville branch of the Ancient Order of United Workmen. A genial man, who remembers his own struggles, he is always ready to help others, and has many friends. His home, made attractive by a lovable wife, is one of the pleasantest in the county.

Harry A. Sanders was born September 14, 1859, in Greenville. He attended school in Norridgewock, Me., and the Eastman Business College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. After completing his studies he went to work as clerk in his father's store, and in 1888 was taken into partnership. Having an equal interest in the business with his father, he takes entire charge of the store in Greenville, while the elder man looks after the other branches of the business. "Harry Sanders," says a local paper, "is a most enterprising, wide-awake business man. Travelling men say there is not a more intelligent buyer in the State. He buys very close, and the firm discount all their bills, large and small." In politics he is a Democrat, in religious opinions liberal. He was married December 15, 1888, to Octavia S., daughter of Buel W.

Dean, of Chester, Pa., who was agent for the firm of William Simpson & Sons, of Philadelphia. Now he has three sons and one daughter — Harry A., Jr., Paul D., David T. (second), and Louise Augusta. He has zealously taken up the work inaugurated by his father, planning many improvements in the store, and making it largely what it is to-day. The family occupies a handsome residence near the store.

CAPTAIN GEORGE W. CAPEN, one of the leading merchants of Eastport, Washington County, and a Civil War veteran, was born in this city, September 30, 1833, son of Alexander and Elizabeth (Cummings) Capen. Alexander Capen (first), the grandfather, was an early settler in Eastport. He followed farming and carpentering through the active period of his life, which terminated when he was ninety-three years old. In politics he was a Democrat, while his religious convictions were those of a Free Christian. He and his wife, Mary, were the parents of nine children, all now deceased; namely, Alexander, John, David, Charles, Elizabeth, Edward, Jane, Mary A., and Benjamin.

Alexander Capen, Captain Capen's father, born in Portland, Me., in the year 1800, spent his active years employed at house and ship carpentering in Eastport. Politically, he was an active supporter of the Democratic party, and he worshipped with the Free Christians. He died in 1872. Elizabeth, his wife, who was born on Deer Island, N.B., in



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1809, became the mother of six children—Henry, William E., George W., John, Martha, and Annie. Martha and her mother are now deceased.

George W. Capen was educated in the town schools. When fourteen years old he began life as a store clerk, giving his wages to his parents until he was twenty-one. He continued as a clerk until December, 1861, when he enlisted as a private in Company K, Fifteenth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, which was under the command of General Butler at and around New Orleans and later under General Sheridan in the Shenandoah Valley. He saw a great deal of hard fighting, serving practically through the entire struggle, and was promoted several times. After receiving his discharge in February, 1865, as Captain of Company K, he returned to Eastport, and resumed his former occupation of clerk. In 1878 he established himself in business, first dealing in groceries, hardware, paints and oils, etc. Later he closed out the grocery department to make room for carriages and farming implements. His present store, which he has occupied since 1886, is pronounced the largest of its kind in the city. He is also engaged in decorating sardine boxes for the different packers here, and has quite a large factory devoted exclusively to that work.

In 1866 Captain Capen was united in marriage with Fannie Fenwick, of Trescott, Me., a daughter of James Fenwick. He now has one daughter, Lizzie L. Capen. In politics he votes independently, and he has served as Overseer of the Poor. He is a member of

Eastern Lodge, No. 7, F & A. M.; of Lodge No. 40, Knights of Pythias; of Eastern Division, No. 11, Uniform Rank, of same society; and a comrade of Post Mead, No. 40, G. A. R. Both he and Mrs. Capen attend the Congregational church.

JAMES F. CONNOR, a stock broker and real estate dealer of Pittsfield, was born in this town, December 31, 1838, son of Hiram B. and Susan C. (Lancy) Connor. The paternal grandfather, Jesse Connor, who at one time owned the whole of what is now the village of Pittsfield, came here a poor man. At first he engaged in lumbering and ran a grist-mill. Subsequently he carried on farming up to the time of his death. Before that event, rather than go into insolvency, he sold all his property to cancel an indebtedness. As that incident proves, he was not only a successful business man, but a strictly honest one. In his time the town was called Connor's Mills.

Hiram Connor, who was only a year old when he was brought here by his father, was born in Gardner. When he grew to manhood he engaged in business. He was afterward a member of the firm of H. B. & J. C. Connor up to the time of his death, which occurred on October 4, 1886. He also had lumbering interests, and carried on a farm. As a citizen he was prominent and active, and served the town as Selectman and in the legislature. His wife, Susan, who was a native of Palmyra, Me., died in 1888. Their children were:

James F., Louise, Georgia A., Emma, and Josephine. Josephine died at the age of three years. Louisa is now the wife of J. Henry Davis, the well-known druggist of Pittsfield village. Georgia A., residing in Pittsfield, is the wife of Martin Parks, who is engaged in the real estate business here; and Emma, who resides in Portland, is the wife of Fred Dyer, a dry-goods salesman.

James F. Connor remained at home until he was twenty-one years of age, receiving his education in the public schools. Then, starting in life for himself, he began to trade in live stock, including beeves, sheep, and horses. Within a brief time his operations extended over the whole of the State. Besides continuing in that business, he has in later years bought and sold a large amount of real estate. He now owns much valuable property, including many of the business blocks in the village and his handsome residence in Park Street, for all of which he paid four hundred dollars in taxes last year. He has also been interested in oil transactions.

In 1860 Mr. Connor was married to Josephine Wells, of Clinton, Me., a daughter of Gideon and Sarah (Webb) Wells. Mr. Wells, a prominent man of Clinton in his time, who died in October, 1890, at the age of seventy-eight years, was a stock dealer and wool buyer, and was largely interested in real estate. His wife is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Connor were the parents of three children, namely: Nettie M., who died at the age of twenty-one, after graduating from the Maine Central Institute; Hiram B., who is in

partnership with his father; and Blanche L., who is the wife of William Pushor, the cashier of the National Bank of Pittsfield.

During the past few years Mr. Connor has largely curtailed his business operations, and is now enjoying the fruits of his industry. He has the satisfaction of feeling that he has faithfully performed his duties as a citizen of this town, and that he has helped to forward many important enterprises, including the water-works, which were put in by him. He is a manager and a director of the new Waverly Mills and a stockholder of the Pittsfield National Bank. While he has been always a Democrat, he has never been an office-seeker. He is a member of Meridian Lodge, F. & A. M., of Pittsfield. The family attends the Union church in the village. Mrs. Connor died on March 1, 1898, aged fifty-eight years and nine months.

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CAPTAIN GEORGE W. ABBOTT, a well-known shipmaster of Bucksport, Hancock County, Me., was born in Penobscot, Me., November 16, 1837. He is the only son of Richard C. Abbott by his first wife, whose maiden name was Matilda Heath. Captain Abbott's paternal grandfather was Peter Abbott, a native of this State, who was in his younger days a seafaring man. Later in life Peter Abbott settled upon a tract of wild land in the town of Etna, Me. He died in Verona, Me., December 28, 1863. He was three times married.

Richard C. Abbott, son of Peter, was born

in Winterport, Me. The greater part of his life has been spent as a farmer and fisherman in Verona, Me., where he is still residing, being now in his eighty-fifth year. He has been quite prominent in local public affairs, and for a number of years served as Town Treasurer. Matilda, his first wife, bore him one son and three daughters, of whom the survivors are: Laura E., who is now Mrs. Whitmore, of Verona, and mother of five children; and George W., the subject of this sketch. For his second wife Richard C. Abbott married Mercy Bridges.

George W. Abbott was educated in the schools of Verona, Me., and at the Hampden Academy. At the age of eighteen he began to follow the sea as a fisherman and coaster, later sailing in vessels engaged in the South American trade. While in the schooner "Golden Light" he was wrecked on the New Jersey coast. In that disaster, which fortunately was attended with no loss of life, the sea swallowed up everything he possessed; but, like the majority of Maine seamen, he continued to brave the unruly elements, determined that they should return what they had taken from him. For several years he commanded vessels, in some of which he had an interest; and the schooner "Maggie Abbott," named for his wife, was built for him at Verona.

Captain Abbott and Margaret A. Partridge, daughter of Elijah Partridge, of Orland, Me., were joined in marriage on September 3, 1873. They have three children: Montell W., an attorney residing in Stonington, Me.;

Blanche L.; and Herbert Abbott. Mrs. Abbott accompanied her husband upon his voyages for eight years.

Captain Abbott has been chairman of the Board of Selectmen of Bucksport for nine years, and has represented his district in the legislature two terms. Politically, he was previous to the Rebellion a Democrat, but the pathetic scenes attending the public auction sale of human beings in the South caused him to differ with his party on the slavery question, and he became a Republican, casting his first Presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln in 1860. He is a Master Mason and a member of the chapter, R. A. M., having joined the order in 1862. He also belongs to the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

DAVID C. PARKER, formerly the railroad station agent at Danforth, Washington County, and a member of the Maine legislature, was born in Charleston, Me., February 28, 1856, son of David S. and Lydia O. (Martin) Parker. The father in his earlier years was a well-known hotel man. He started in that business as a clerk of a hostelry in Bangor, and was afterward engaged in entertaining the travelling public for some years. Subsequently entering the service of the old Veazie Railroad, a line built by the late General Veazie from Bangor to Milford and one of the first in the State, he remained in an official capacity until that road was discontinued. Then for many years he was station agent at Mattawamkeag for the

European & North American Railroad Company and its successors, the Maine Central Company. In 1889, the year next succeeding that in which he left the railroad's employment, he died. He was a Republican in politics, and he held various town offices in Milford and Mattawamkeag. Lydia O. Parker, his wife, was born in Guilford, Me., daughter of Addison and Lydia P. (Otis) Martin, who were respectively natives of New Gloucester and Leeds, Me. She became the mother of six children, of whom David C. is the only one now living. The others were: Elsie F., Elizabeth O., Flora M., Lillie L., and Mabel H. The mother died in August, 1867. Both parents were Methodists in religious belief.

David C. Parker passed his youth in Milford, Lincoln, and Mattawamkeag. His education was acquired in the public schools and the East Maine Conference Seminary at Bucksport, Me. Entering the railroad service in 1868, he became familiar with the routine duties about the station, and when eighteen years of age he was appointed agent at Kingman. In 1877 he was transferred to Danforth, where he remained until October, 1897, when he resigned to give his attention wholly to his personal business. For a number of years he has been quite extensively interested in the lumber business, and built the Grant mills in Kingman. He is the president of the Union Hall and the Trotting Park Associations in Danforth, and was mainly instrumental in securing the construction of the hall and the park. In politics a Democrat, he is a member of the Democratic State Com-

mittee. He was a delegate to the national convention in Chicago in 1892, when he voted for Arthur P. Gorman. He has served as first Selectman, Town Clerk, and superintendent of schools; and he represented his district in the legislature with ability in 1893, where he was assigned to the Finance Committee of the House and Joint Committee of Ways and Means.

On September 5, 1877, Mr. Parker was united in marriage with Eliza T. Richardson, of Lincoln, daughter of James S. and Olive (Goodwin) Richardson. Mrs. Richardson now resides in Kingman. Mr. Richardson died in February, 1898. Mr. and Mrs. Parker have had four children, of whom one died in infancy. James S. is also deceased. The survivors are: Myrtie M., born April 26, 1879; and Leo C., born April 7, 1887. After occupying various official positions in Baskegan Lodge, No. 175, F. & A. M., during the past twenty years, Mr. Parker is about to retire from that of Worshipful Master. He is secretary of Danforth Lodge, No. 118, I. O. O. F; and Master of Wilbund Lodge, No. 37, Ancient Order of United Workmen. Besides possessing the esteem of the traveling public, he enjoys the good will of the people of Danforth, whose interests he may be depended upon to protect and forward whenever an opportunity presents itself.

GEORGE A. HILTON, a skilful and thrifty agriculturist of Starks township, son of Benjamin Hilton, Jr., was born

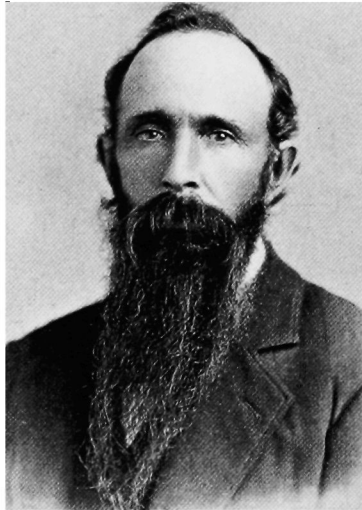
December 24, 1835, on the homestead where he now resides. His paternal grandfather, also named Benjamin, who was born in Wiscasset, Lincoln County, became an early settler of Anson, Somerset County, where he cleared a farm and reared his family.

Benjamin Hilton, Jr., born February 3, 1803, in Anson, lived in that town until of age. Coming then to Starks in search of a desirable place in which to permanently locate, he purchased land on Hilton Hill, where he afterward improved a good farm and resided until his demise on October 2, 1891. On July 2, 1829, he was married by the Rev. Dennis Moore to Margaret Athearn, of Castine, Me., who, born May 31, 1805, died July 23, 1862. Their children were: a child born March 26, 1831, that died in infancy; Benjamin F., of whom a sketch will be found on another page; Fidelia, born October 3, 1833, who was married June 10, 1852, to O. D. Metcalf, now of California, and died July 3, 1853; and George A., the subject of this biography.

After completing his school education at the academy in Anson, George A. Hilton continued to reside beneath the parental roof, assisting in making the larger part of the improvements, including the erection in 1869, 1871, and 1878, of the present large and conveniently arranged buildings. When his father became enfeebled by old age, he assumed the entire charge of the farm. On the death of his father he succeeded to a portion of the estate, and now has a well-appointed farm of two hundred and fifty acres. Here he

carries on mixed farming, stock-raising, and dairying, selling his cream in preference to manufacturing it into either butter or cheese.

Mr. Hilton was married December 7, 1862, to Miss Rosetta Gray, who was born January 30, 1848. Her parents, Edwin and Charlotte (Wasson) Gray, late of Bingham, Me., were there engaged in farming during the later years of their lives. Mrs. Hilton passed away March 15, 1893, just a week after the death of her youngest child. The latter was Grace May, who, born October 7, 1885, died March 8, 1893. The record of the other children of Mr. and Mrs. Hilton is as follows: Ploma M., born January 23, 1869, an accomplished and attractive lady, is the wife of Wibur Greateon, of Starks, to whom she was married October 6, 1897; Arthur E., born August 25, 1870, who is employed in a woollen-mill at Madison, was married October 6, 1898, to Miss Mabel M. Day; Walter G., born June 13, 1874, living on the home farm with his father, married Miss Annie W. Merry, who was born in Starks, September 2, 1875; and William B., born December 13, 1882. On December 28, 1895, Mr. Hilton was again married, Mrs. Albina G. (Monter) Witham becoming his wife. She was born in Anson, April 13, 1850, daughter of William W. and Betsey W. (Norton) Monter, the former of Industry, Me., and the latter of New Sharon, Me. Her first husband, Charles A. Witham, spent his life in New Sharon, having been engaged in farming in his earlier years and afterward in the occupation of a butcher until his death, which occurred Au-



VORANUS C. PLUMMER.

lectmen, the Town Treasurer, and a member of the School Committee; and he is now State Senator. Very active in politics, he is a staunch advocate of the principles of the Republican party. Fraternally, he belongs to the local grange and to Table Rock Lodge, No. 100, I. O. O. F., both of North Anson.

CAPTAIN VORANUS C. PLUMMER, a retired ship-master of Addison, Washington County, was born in Harrington, Me., April 10, 1837, son of Amos B and Phœbe (Wass) Plummer. Moses Plummer, the grandfather, who was probably a native of Addison, passed the most of his life in Harrington, where he followed farming and lumbering, and acquired a good estate. He was twice married, and had a family of twelve children. Those of his first wife were: Jeremiah, John, Moses, Amos B., and Betsey; and those of his second were: Barney, Eben, Robert, Weston, Aphia, Abigail, and Mary.

Amos B. Plummer, Captain Plummer's father, was born in Addison in the year 1800. He followed the ship-carpenter's trade during his active years in Addison and Harrington, and died in the latter town at the age of seventy-seven years. Phœbe, his wife, who was born in Harrington in 1810, became the mother of ten children, four of whom are living, namely: Mrs. Harriet E. Bickner, of Winthrop, Mass.; Lucy P. Coffin, of Melrose, Mass.; Joseph W. Plummer, of Boston; and Captain V. C. Plummer, the subject of this

sketch. The mother died at the age of thirty-nine.

Voranus C. Plummer attended the public schools of Boston, Harrington, and Addison. At the age of sixteen he went to sea, first shipping as steward. When nineteen years old he had worked his way aft to the quarter-deck, and took command of the schooner "Eldorado." Afterward he followed the sea as a master mariner until 1886. Since that year he has been engaged in ship-building. He has launched from his yard in Addison the "Gertrude Plummer," one hundred and seventy-one tons; the "Walter L. Plummer," three hundred and thirty-one tons; the "Mildred Pope," eighty-five tons; and the "Annie M. Preble," ninety-seven tons. Also, since 1886 he has taught school to some extent.

In April, 1858, Captain Plummer contracted his first marriage with Susan Wass, who died in 1870, leaving three children—Gertrude A. Cleaves, Harland E., and Walter L. Plummer. His second marriage in 1872 wedded him to Mary L. Nash, a native of Addison. He has resided in Addison since 1872. In politics he is a Prohibitionist. He is now superintendent of schools, and has been First Selectman and First Assessor for four years. Besides his comfortable residence built under his personal supervision he owns considerable land, including tillage and timber. He is connected with Tuscan Lodge, F. & A. M., of this town; with Dirigo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Cherryfield, Me.; and with the Order of the Golden Cross. An esteemed member of the Methodist Episcopal

church, he serves it in the capacity of steward.

GEORGE W. ALLEN, a successful business man of Surry, Hancock County, was born April 30, 1833, in Brooklin, this county, son of Captain Daniel Allen. The latter, a native of Brooksville, this county, in his early life became a sailor before the mast. From that position he gradually worked his way up until he became the captain of a vessel. Thenceforward he was engaged in the coasting trade throughout his active years. His last days were spent in Brooklin, where he died at the age of fifty-six years. He married Elmira Tapley, who bore him four children, namely: Margaret, who married Francis A. Stickney, of East Cambridge, Mass., and has three children—George, Ella, and Louisa; Hannah, now living at East Surry, Me., who is the widow of H. S. Wasson, and has one son, George H.; Elmira, who is the wife of Henry J. Milliken; and George W., the subject of this biography.

Having attended the district schools of Brooklin in his boyhood, George W. Allen worked at the ship-carpenter's trade for about ten years. Coming then to Surry, he purchased a farm, and for a number of years was engaged in agriculture. Then he disposed of his farming property at an advantage, and opened a general store in the village, at the same time becoming Collector of Taxes. After conducting the store for a few years, he sold out in order to have more time to devote

to a saw-mill, which he had previously bought at North Bend. This he still operates, and is doing a thriving business, manufacturing lumber, shingles, laths, barrel staves, etc.

Mr. Allen was united in marriage January 22, 1855, with Miss Lydia J. Coggins, a daughter of William Coggins. Until recently he was a zealous supporter of the Republican party, dating from 1856, when he cast his first Presidential vote for General John C. Fremont. Now he votes regardless of party for the men and measures he deems best. Besides serving as Tax Collector for two years, he has also been an efficient Constable. He attends the Baptist church, of which Mrs. Allen is a member.

CAPTAIN MOSES FRENCH, a retired farmer of Solon and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in this town, February 3, 1821, son of the Rev. Moses and Sarah (Patten) French. The father came here from Salisbury, Mass., in 1803, and settled upon a farm near the village, where he resided for the rest of his life. He worked at the joiner's trade during the summer season, cultivated his farm, and preached to some extent. He died July 19, 1845. By his first marriage, which was contracted with Martha Buswell, of Salisbury, there were two children—Aaron and Martha, neither of whom is living. Sarah Patten French, his second wife, who was a native of Norridgewock, Me., became the mother of eleven children, namely: Martha, born September 6,


1810, who died November 11, 1815; Luther P., born May 2, 1812, who died January 14, 1895; Calvin, born May 20, 1814, who died March 9, 1838; Sophronia, born August 31, 1816, who successively married Daniel Smith and Obed Smith, and died April 1, 1883; Livonia, born August 11, 1818, who married Daniel Smith, and died June 3, 1841; Moses, the subject of this sketch; Elizabeth, born April 13, 1823, who died in infancy; Joseph P., born March 8, 1825, who married Lucretia Freeman, was killed at the battle of Baton Rouge, August 19, 1862, and left three children — Emma C., Sadie L., Josie P.; Greenleaf G., born April 18, 1827, who died October 8, 1837; Mary, born May 27, 1829, who is the wife of Charles Cayford, of Skowhegan; and David R. French, born May 25, 1833, who died October 16, 1851. The mother died April 27, 1852.

Moses French completed his education in the Solon common schools. Since his youth, with the exception of the time he spent in the army, he has given his principal attention to agriculture. On December 19, 1863, he enlisted in Company K, Second Maine Cavalry, under Colonel Woodman, was appointed Captain, and served in the Department of the Gulf. Although the regiment was employed mostly upon guard duty, it participated in some decisive engagements, losing one-fourth of its original quota in eight months. It was mustered out at Pensacola, Fla., in December, 1865. Upon his return home Captain French resumed general farming at the homestead, continuing there until June 1, 1894,

when he moved to his present residence in the village, which he had erected especially for his occupancy. On September 30, 1845, he married Sarah Kidder, who was born in Norridgewock, August 26, 1825, daughter of Isaac and Sarah (Tarbell) Kidder, prosperous farming people of that town. When five years old, Isaac Kidder went from Pepperell, Mass., to Norridgewock, where he resided for the greater part of his life. Both he and his wife passed their last days with their daughter in Solon. Captain and Mrs. French have had seven children, namely: Warren K., born July 6, 1846, who died June 24, 1847; Roger S., born February 14, 1848, who died September 3, 1850; Joseph M., born July 16, 1849, who died August 19, 1864; Charles, born July 23, 1851, who is now occupying the old homestead; Sarah Livonia, born February 23, 1854, who is the wife of the Rev. Wilbur F. Berry, of Portland, a Methodist minister; Moses French, Jr., born June 24, 1856, who married Mary L. Freeman, of Montpelier, Vt., and operates a steam mill in Solon; and Mary Viola, born July 3, 1864, who is the wife of Isaac Judson Smith, of Skowhegan. When Joseph P. French enlisted in the Union army, his children, whose mother had previously died, were taken in charge by Mr. and Mrs. French, and subsequently adopted after the father's death. Afterward Emma C. married Isaac Judson Smith, of Skowhegan, and died about ten years ago, leaving two children. Sadie L. married Salvanas Morse, of Solon, Me., resides at Mount Vernon, Me., and has one child. Josie P. became the wife

of Joseph Nay Smith, of Skowhegan, and is now the mother of three children, all boys.

In politics Captain French is a Republican, and was a State Senator in 1871. He is connected with Keystone Lodge, F. & A. M., and is a comrade of Ord Post, No. 91, G. A. R., of North Anson. Both he and Mrs. French are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which the Captain is a trustee, steward, and class leader, and which he represented in the General Conference held at Baltimore in 1876.

TIS MARTIN, of the firm Straw & Martin, insurance agents in Guilford, and an ex-member of the Maine legislature, was born in this town, November 14, 1844, son of Addison and Achsa (Leadbetter) Martin. His great-grandparents, Robert and Hannah Martin, resided in Windom, Me.; and his grandfather, Ezekiel Martin, was born in that town, November 22, 1766. Ezekiel Martin was a farmer, and spent the active period of his life in New Gloucester, Me., where he died January 20, 1820. He married Mary Stanchfield, who, born July 9, 1767, died March 18, 1857. Her children were: William, born May 12, 1789; Robert, born January 1, 1792; Addison, born March 3, 1797; Jeremiah, born December 8, 1800; Seth, born January 1, 1803; Eben G., born August 13, 1805; Desire, born November 23, 1807; Pearl, born November 3, 1809; and Mary, born January 25, 1812.

Addison Martin, Otis Martin's father, was

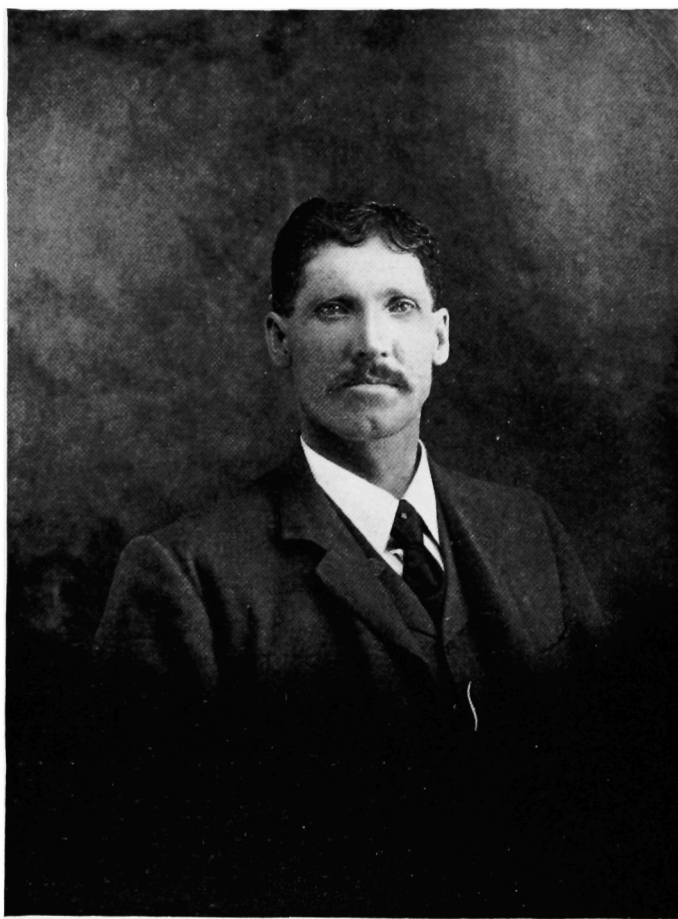
a native of New Gloucester, and was graduated from the Hebron Academy. After teaching school for a time, he engaged in a mercantile business in Portland, and in 1825 he came to Guilford. The pioneer merchant in this town, his first stock of goods, which was shipped from Portland to Bangor, was hauled to Guilford on ox teams. Having conducted a general country store for twenty-five years, he retired with a competency in 1850. Thenceforward he devoted his time to private banking, sundry legal affairs, and the duties of Trial Justice. In his later years he was a Republican, and was closely identified with local affairs. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. When he died, August 29, 1876, he left a good estate. The first of his two marriages was with Lydia P. Otis. She was born in Leeds, Me., June 24, 1799, and was killed by lightning, July 5, 1842. His second wife, Achsa Leadbetter Martin, who was born in Montville, Me., October 24, 1818, died July 22, 1850. To his first union were born five children, namely: Addison, on November 9, 1826, who died in San Francisco; Lydia O., March 19, 1828, who died August 17, 1868; Mary E., born August 11, 1829, who died May 12, 1830; Emily F., born May 13, 1831, who is now the widow of Henry Hudson, a prominent lawyer, who died in 1877; and Martha A., born August 28, 1836, who is a retired school teacher. Addison Martin's second wife was the mother of three children, namely: Oliver O., born November 25, 1843, who died January 30, 1844; Otis, the subject of this sketch; and

Oscar E., born May 28, 1848, now residing in California.

Otis Martin acquired his education in a private academy. From December 5, 1868, to April 1, 1881, he was engaged in a mercantile business. In 1883 he became associated with David R. Straw in the fire insurance business. The firm of Straw & Martin conduct a reliable agency, representing twelve reputable companies, and do a large amount of business throughout this section. Mr. Martin served as Deputy Sheriff for a period of some years, ending in the latter part of 1884. On January 1, 1885, he began the performance of his duties as High Sheriff of Piscataquis County, to which office he had been elected at the previous fall election. Afterward he was twice re-elected, and he held the office until January 1, 1891. He accepted a reappointment as Deputy under his successor, and is still serving in that capacity. In 1891 he represented this district with marked ability in the legislature. As a public official he is faithful, efficient, and popular.

On May 29, 1872, Mr. Martin was united in marriage with Annie Atwood, who was born in Bangor, August 17, 1845, daughter of George and Eliza H. (Nye) Atwood. Her father was born in Fairfield, Me., February 6, 1815, and her mother in the same town November 27, 1822. Mrs. Martin's great-grandfather was Stephens Atwood, of Barnstable, Mass. Her grandfather, Robert Atwood, who was born in that town, September 1, 1779, became an early settler in Fairfield, Me., where he followed the business of a car-

penyer and builder in connection with farming. During the winter season he made furniture and sleighs, and the active period of his life was one of unusual industry. He died in Fairfield, December 14, 1862. On January 1, 1803, he married Anna Jones, of that town, whose death occurred three days previous to that of her husband. Robert and Anna Atwood were the parents of seven children, namely: Saphronia, born October 11, 1803; John J., born October 22, 1805; Mary, born November 30, 1807; Cynthia, born February 17, 1810; Eliza, born August 6, 1812; George, Mrs. Martin's father; and Harriett N., born May 28, 1818. Of these the only survivor is Harriett, who is residing with her niece, Mrs. Martin. George Atwood was a merchant and lumberman in Bangor, where he was for a number of years associated with Samuel R. Bearce, under the firm name of Bearce & Atwood. He returned to Fairfield previous to his death, which occurred October 3, 1849. His wife died November 15, 1850. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Martin were: George Atwood, born May 4, 1873; Frank Otis, born October 26, 1875; Addison, born August 18, 1878, who died March 4, 1880; Carl, born March 4, 1880; and Florence Straw Martin, born February 21, 1883. George A. was fitted for college at the East Maine Conference Seminary, Bucksport, and is now a student at Colby University. Frank O. is a graduate of both the seminary in Bucksport and Comer's Commercial College of Boston, and is now employed in the office of Straw & Martin.



JOHN A. BEAL.

trade of stone-cutter in Augusta and Waterville, died in the last-named town. His wife is also deceased. While Mr. Stedman is a Republican in politics, he has never accepted any kind of office. An esteemed member of the Baptist church, he serves it in the capacity of Deacon. He is much respected in Hartland.

CAPTAIN JOHN A. BEAL, a representative man of Jonesport, Washington County, residing on Beal Island, which has been the home of the family for five generations, was born on the island, April 23, 1858, son of Barney and Phebe A. (Stanwood) Beal. Beal Island, which is also known as Wass Island, now the quiet home of seafaring men and law-abiding people, was the scene of one of the lawless raids made during the stormy days of the Revolution, when a band of freebooters swept down upon the defenceless coast towns of Maine.

Phineas Manwarren Beal, the great-great-grandfather of Captain John Beal, was the first settler on the island. He came here from Cape Elizabeth about the year 1764, and secured possession not only of this island, but of Sheep, Brownie, and Ram Islands, which lie near by. He was a man of powerful frame, standing over six feet in his stocking feet, and weighing three hundred pounds. He was also a man of prodigious industry, which in time acquired for him a very comfortable fortune. When the raiders descended upon him his physical prowess was of no avail against their numbers, and they worked their will without

let or hindrance. Almost every article in the house, including furniture and clothing, was destroyed or taken away, save one bed, which the robbers were induced to leave by Phineas, whose wife was shortly to be confined. The cattle and sheep on the island were not taken, because they were too poor to be of any use then, and in the expectation that they would be fatter at a later date. Peace was declared, however, before further depredations were committed. Phineas Beal died on the island at the age of sixty-two, and was buried there. His wife, whose maiden name was Lydia Welsh, was some years older than her husband at the time of her death. Many of their descendants have been tall and of imposing stature. They had a large family; and it is said that their daughter, Olive, who was the first white female child born on the island, married Joseph Kelley, who was the first white male child born there. Barney Beal, son of Phineas, was the first of three of the same name in direct line of descent, who lived and died on the island. He, his son, and grandson were seafaring men and hunters. They engaged largely in fishing. The third Barney Beal, who is the father of Captain John A. Beal, was born on Beal Island in 1836, and is still living there. His wife, whose maiden name was Phebe A. Stanwood, was born in Millbridge, Me., in 1840. Of the twelve children born to them, their son Merrill is deceased. The others are: John A., Anna A., George W., Lucinda J., Freeman W., Margaret S., Charles H., Julia A., Nehemiah I., Napoleon R., and Charlotte A.

Beginning in early life, John A. Beal assisted his father in his fishing business until he was twenty-one years of age. He was industrious and in every way reliable, and was placed in command of a fishing-vessel before reaching his majority. Upon coming of age he started in life for himself, continuing to make fishing trips to the Bay of Fundy. Later he became interested in the curing and drying of fish, and did quite a business. These lines of work he continued down to 1885. Then he opened a general merchandise store, which he has conducted successfully up to the present time, in the meanwhile retaining his interest in the fisheries. His annual business amounts to a sum varying from twenty-five to thirty thousand dollars, giving direct employment to from three to eight men, and indirect employment to at least a hundred persons. Making a specialty of the lobster industry, he has built two lobster smacks since 1894, the "Charlotte A. Beal," commanded by James F. Beal; and the "E. McNichol," commanded by F. W. Beal. He has also built a new steam lobster smack, the "Mina and Lizzie," commanded by Charles H. Beal. These smacks, doing the principal lobster business in Jonesport, during the lobster season carry twenty thousand lobsters weekly to the Portland markets.

Captain Beal has done much toward developing the industries of Beal Island, more, indeed, than any other man now living here. He has also assisted liberally, both with financial and moral support, every progressive movement started on the island. He was one

of the generous contributors toward the new Holiness Church, which was erected here in 1896-97, although he is not a member of the church organization. Besides his residence, which was built in 1896, and his neatly kept store-room, which was erected in 1885, he owns a number of tenements. He was married in 1879 to Miss Cordelia Kelley, who was born in Jonesport in 1861, daughter of Elijah Kelley. The Captain's political principles are Republican. Although he is always glad to help along any good cause, and is sincerely desirous of serving the best interests of the community, he has never cared to hold political office of any kind. He is a member of Jonesport Lodge, No. 188, F. & A. M., of Jonesport.

PHILIP J. HOOKE, the Bangor and Castine telegraph operator at Castine, Hancock County, was born in this town, March 25, 1825, son of Benjamin and Jeanette E. (Jarvis) Hooke. The father, a native of Salisbury, Mass., about the year 1800 came to Castine as a deputy under his brother, who was at that time Collector of Customs at this port. Later he was associated in business here with William Witherlee, and at one time was the town's Postmaster. He lived to be eighty years old. His wife, who was a member of the well-known Jarvis family of Castine, became the mother of twelve children; namely, Ann M., Sarah, Benjamin, Eliza, Frederick, Charlotte, Josiah, William, Philip J., Mary, George, and Caroline. Of these the only survivors are: Philip

J., the subject of this sketch; and Mary, who is the widow of Benjamin Frink, and resides in Mount Vernon, N.Y. Caroline died at the age of two years.

Philip J. Hooke acquired his education in the public schools of Castine. He started in business as a dealer in lumber and general merchandise in Bangor, where he remained some ten years. During the succeeding two years he was associated in business with his brother William, at Waltham, Mass. Subsequently after a short time spent in Castine he went to Princeton, Ill. Here he was engaged in farming with his brother Josiah, until the latter moved to California, whereupon he sold the property and returned to his native town. After this he learned telegraphy, and became local operator for the Bangor & Castine Telegraph Company, in which capacity he has served continuously up to the present time. Also, for about forty years he has been librarian and Town Clerk. Both as telegraph and public official he has given general satisfaction, and he is highly esteemed in the town.

Mr. Hooke married Mrs. Lucy A. Gay, the widow of the late Captain Moses Gay. The children of this union are: Jeanette E., who married John Challis, of Winchester, Mass.; Henry D., who married Miss Fannie M. Mosely, of Dorchester, Mass., and has two children — Annie and Robert G.; and William F. Hooke, who married Elizabeth Maxcy, and has one daughter, Jeanette C. Mr. Hooke has been a Selectman for many years in succession. His first Presidential vote was

cast for General Cass in 1848. Since the Civil War he has acted with the Republican party.

FHARRIS FOSTER, a prominent lumber manufacturer of Machias, Washington County, was born in Jonesboro, October 10, 1845, son of Elisha Burton and Mary E. (Noyes) Foster. The great-grandfather, John Wooding Foster, one of the first settlers of Machias and the first blacksmith in the town, was one of the guards who had charge of the prisoners taken from the "Margaretta," which was the first vessel captured from the English during the Revolutionary War. His son, Elias Foster, who was born in East Machias and was also a blacksmith, first married in East Machias. In 1817, after the death of his first wife, Elias removed to Cooper, and there followed his trade, besides carrying on farming and lumbering. In Cooper he was one of the prominent men, and served as Road Surveyor and as Selectman. His second marriage was made with Lucy Dorman, of Harrington, Me.


Elisha Burton Foster, father of the subject of this sketch, was born in Cooper on the 4th of March, 1820. After his school days ended he came to Machias, being then quite a young lad, and learned the blacksmith's trade with his brother, Lewis. Having finished his apprenticeship, he started in business for himself at Jonesboro; but some years later he returned to Machias, and engaged in blacksmithing here. Though still strong and rugged, he has not been engaged in active

business since 1882. His wife, Mary, who was a daughter of Captain John Noyes, of Jonesboro, bore him four children: G. Harris, the subject of this sketch; Lucy E., now deceased, who was the wife of Joseph Crandon, of Machias; Eugene, who resides in Boston; and Caroline, whose home is in Machias.

G. Harris Foster received his education in the town schools of Machias, to which place he was brought by his parents when only seven years old. At the age of fourteen he went to work in a blacksmith's shop, where he remained for three years. Then he went into a ship-yard, where he stayed until he was twenty-four years of age, learning the ship-carpenter's trade. Subsequently he engaged in the manufacture of sashes, blinds, mouldings, etc., making a specialty of exterior and interior wood finishings for buildings. He now carries on a large business, his place being the centre of trade in this line, not only for Machias, but for all the adjoining towns. He employs from two to six men.

Mr. Foster married Sarah Bernice, daughter of William E. Pennell, of Machias. His children are: Corrie, the wife of Llewellyn McGouldrick, of this town; and Gertrude, who resides in Waterbury, Conn. In politics he is a Democrat, and he is active in town affairs. He has served the town for several years as Selectman. Fraternally, he is a member and Past Master of Harwood Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons; Past High Priest of Washington Chapter; Eminent Commander of St. Elmo Commandery; a member of Deering Council and Delta Lodge

of Perfection; and he also belongs to Machias Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, of which he is a Past Master Workman. At the present time he is the District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

TIS S. BRADLEY, of Dover, Piscataquis County, one of the town's most able farmers, was born here, August 15, 1830, son of John and Lucinda (Spaulding) Bradley. His grandfather, Samuel Bradley, was an early settler in New Sharon, Me., where he resided upon a farm for the rest of his life. John Bradley, son of Samuel, born in Haverhill, Mass., April 5, 1797, was a farmer and a mechanic. In 1820 he settled in Dover, erected a log house, cleared the farm his son now occupies, and built the present residence in 1844. The rest of his life was spent in tilling the soil; and he died September 6, 1861. His wife, Lucinda, who was born in Norridgewock, Me., November 30, 1798, became the mother of ten children, four of whom are living, namely: Mrs. Abigail McQuesten, of Merrimac, Mass.; John, who resides in South Dover; Otis S., the subject of this sketch; and Alphonso Bradley, who lives in Bangor. The others were: Thomas, Samuel, Alonzo, George, Sarah, and William.

Otis S. Bradley passed his youth in Dover and Fairfield, acquiring his education in a district school. He has been engaged in farming since early manhood. At the present time he owns two hundred acres of well-improved land, with excellent buildings. His

crops are always large and of a superior quality, and his prosperity is the result of hard work and a practical knowledge of agriculture. He is a member of Kineo Lodge, No. 64, I. O. O. F.; and of the Daughters of Rebecca of the same order. On September 18, 1859, he was joined in marriage with Mary Helen Davis, who was born in East Sangerville, Me., December 14, 1840, daughter of Isaac H. and Emeline (Rich) Davis. Her father was a native of Norridgewock, and her mother was born in Bucksport, Me. Her grandfather, Abijah Davis, who was a native of this State and a farmer by occupation, after residing in various places, spent his last days in Wisconsin. His wife, who was before marriage Priscilla Harding, a native of Norridgewock, came to Piscataquis County on horseback, bringing her son, Isaac H., in her arms. Isaac H. Davis carried on farming and shoemaking in East Sangerville, where he spent the greater part of his life. He enlisted for the Civil War in the First Maine Heavy Artillery, and was killed at the battle of Spottsylvania. Of his eight children, two others are living, namely: Mrs. Emma R. Giles, of Maplewood, Mass.; and Henry W. Davis, who resides in Alabama. The deceased children were: George A., John P., George H., Abbie W., and Isaac P.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley have four children, born as follows: Charles W., July 30, 1861; Alfred L., February 27, 1863; Albert M., April 5, 1868; and Claire M., October 3, 1874. Charles W., who is a railroad man and resides in Foxcroft, married Eva Herring, and

has four children — Leon W., Roxy V., Earl A., and Thalmer. Albert M. and Alfred L. are single, and reside at home; and Claire M., who also lives at home, is the wife of Charles Hammon. Both parents attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

DANIEL C. HALL, a retired lumber dealer of Fairfield, Somerset County, son of Luther and Priscilla (Potter) Hall, was born in Bowdoin, Me., September 8, 1821. The father, who was a native of Taunton, Mass., was a farmer by occupation, and spent most of his life in Bowdoin, dying there in 1878. His first wife, previously Christine Cowen, of Litchfield, Me., bore him two children — Joseph and Elizabeth, both of whom are now deceased. His second wife, Priscilla, who died in 1860, was the mother of twelve children; namely, Christine, Mary, Tabitha, Daniel C., Priscilla, John, Martha, James, Elizabeth, Francis, Denham, and Alfred. Of these the survivors are: Mary, who married Alfred Carr, and resides in Bowdoin; Denham, who married Amanda Jones, and is engaged in farming on the old homestead in Bowdoin; Daniel C., the subject of this biography; and Alfred, who is a machinist, residing in Boston.

Having attended the district schools of his native town for the usual period, Daniel C. Hall when twenty years of age went away from home for the first time, to become a lumberman in the woods. At the end of the sea-

son he came to Fairfield, and here for the next twenty-five years was engaged in lumbering on the river and in the woods. From 1855 to 1869, when he sold out, he was a member of the lumber firm, Fogg, Hall & Co., which had a prosperous and successful business. He is now interested in the Fairfield National Bank, of which he is a director. His most important service to his fellow-townsmen has been his participation in the government of the town for twelve years as a member of the Board of Selectmen. In that period he did a large amount of important and difficult business. In October, 1855, he was married to Sarah Crawford, of Sidney, Me., a daughter of Henry and Sarah (Dunbar) Crawford, of whom the former was a leading farmer in Sidney. Two children have been born of this union, namely: Laura, who died when twenty-one years of age; and Fred, who died at eleven. In politics Mr. Hall is a Republican. Fraternally, he is a Mason of Siloam Lodge of Fairfield. Both he and his wife attend the Universalist church. A good type of our self-made men, Mr. Hall now enjoys in his beautiful home on High Street the leisure and comfort he has earned by his industry.

LEON S. MERRILL, one of the hustling business men of Solon, Somerset County, was born in this town, December 22, 1864, son of Stephen and Jerusha (Dean) Merrill. The paternal grandfather, Benjamin Merrill, came here from Salisbury, Mass., when this locality was mostly a

wilderness, and, having cleared a farm, occupied it for the rest of his life. He married a Miss Durrill, a native of Embden, Me. Their children were: Robert, Benjamin, Joseph, Stephen, Rachel, Rebecca, Hannah, Mary, and Temperance. Stephen Merrill, son of Benjamin, having spent some time in Solon industriously occupied in farming, is now living on the homestead east of the village. Both he and his wife support the Congregational church. Jerusha, born in Greenville, Me., is one of the twenty-two children of Ebenezer Dean. The latter served in the Continental army during the Revolutionary War, and later became a pioneer of the region around Moosehead Lake. The maiden name of his wife was Green. Mrs. Jerusha Merrill is the mother of two children, namely: Albert, born in September, 1859; and Leon S., the subject of this sketch. Albert Merrill, who is a carpenter in Solon, married Annie Coleman, of Augusta, and has one daughter, Amy.

Leon S. Merrill acquired his elementary education in the common schools. Subsequently he completed the regular course at the Maine Medical School, and graduated with the class of 1889. However, he did not engage in the medical profession on account of impaired vision. From 1889 to 1893 he was Postmaster in Solon. In 1889 he opened his present store, which is well stocked with groceries, drugs, medicines, and a varied line of general merchandise. His numerous patrons are retained, as they were acquired, by his business ability and gentlemanly courtesy.



DANVILLE L. ANNIS.

In 1884 he was joined in marriage with Alice Wilson, of Solon, a daughter of Allen and Helen (Moore) Wilson, who were natives, respectively, of Bingham and Madison. The latter died about five years ago. Mr. Wilson resides in Solon, and is a wool carder. Mr. and Mrs. Merrill have two children: Gladys, born August 1, 1893; and Earl, born October 12, 1895.

Mr. Merrill has been the secretary of the Republican Town Committee for nine years. For several terms he has served with ability upon the School Board. He is a Past Grand of Solon Lodge, I. O. O. F.; and is also a member of the Parmenas Encampment of Skowhegan; and has served as District Deputy and Grand Master of the eleventh and twenty-ninth subordinate districts. Since its establishment in 1891 he has been the local editor of the *Solon Weekly*. Both he and Mrs. Merrill are members of the Congregational church.

DANVILLE L. ANNIS, senior member of the firm of Annis & Chase, general merchants, Sebec, Me., was born in this town, January 18, 1864. He is the son of John N. and Caroline F. (Lyford) Annis, who are both natives of Sebec; and he is a grandson of Alfred Annis, who settled as a pioneer in the western part of the town.

Alfred Annis was an industrious and persevering man; and he cleared a good farm, upon which he resided for the rest of his life. In politics he originally voted with the Whig party, and he followed the majority of that

element into the ranks of the Republican party at its formation. A Free Will Baptist in his religious belief, he served as a Deacon of that church for many years.

John N. Annis, father of Danville L. Annis, was reared upon his father's farm, and when a young man he learned the carpenter's trade. He has followed that calling in connection with farming in Sebec, his home, for the past twenty-five years being in the village. He is one of the stirring men of the place, and highly esteemed for his many excellent qualities as a citizen and neighbor. Politically, he is a Republican, and his opinions in religious matters are inclined to be liberal. Of the three children born to him and his wife, Mrs. Caroline F. Annis, two — namely, Selden J. and Elden P. — are no longer living.

Danville L. Annis, the third child and the subject of this sketch, was educated in the village schools. At the age of sixteen he began to learn the carpenter's trade, which he followed in various places until 1894, when he engaged in business as a member of the firm of Annis & Chase. They carry a good line of general merchandise, which on account of their large patronage is frequently replenished; and consequently their goods are always fresh. An active and able business man, Mr. Annis has already attained gratifying success, and his future prospects are unusually promising. He has a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

On August 5, 1897, Mr. Annis was joined in marriage with Lucy E. Crockett, of this town, daughter of Captain A. G. Crockett, who is the proprietor of two steamers running

on the lake. In politics Mr. Annis is a Republican, and is a member of the School Board. His residence, which is one of the handsomest in the village, is a substantial dwelling erected by him during his leisure time while following his trade. Mr. Annis is a member of the Baptist church.

GEORGE W. PERKINS, a prosperous farmer of Castine, Hancock County, was born in this town, February 23, 1833, son of Mark H. and Lois (Bowden) Perkins, both of whom were natives of Castine. His grandfather, Stover Perkins, was one of the early merchants and ship-builders of the town. Residing about two miles north of the village, Grandfather Perkins became quite an old man. The maiden name of his wife was Annie Hatch.

Mark H. Perkins, the father, settled upon wild land in the northern part of the town. He was engaged in farming and lumbering during his active years, and died at the age of eighty-four. His wife became the mother of four children, two of whom are living, namely: George W., the subject of this sketch; and Louisa, who married Mark E. Hatch, of Castine, and has three children — William, Luella, and Lettie. The others were: Mark, a sea captain, who married Ellen Hatch, and left one son, Harry F. Perkins, now of Bangor; and John, who was lost at sea in his twenty-third year, while on a voyage with his brother.

George W. Perkins was educated in the

common schools. After the completion of his studies he went to sea for a time. The greater part of his active period, however, has been devoted to farming and trading. Since the death of his father he has occupied the homestead, which is a well-known landmark on account of its having been the site of the Methodist camp-meeting ground for many years. His farming has been very successful. In politics he is a Republican, and he cast his first Presidential vote for John C. Fremont in 1856. He was school agent for a time, and he served in the capacity of Selectman for fourteen years, after which he declined further nomination.

Mr. Perkins first married Clarissa A. Morgrage, who bore him two sons — John W. and Edward D. A second marriage united him with Mary E. Lawrence, who has one daughter, Lois M. John W. Perkins, who was not married, and resided at home, died recently at the age of thirty-six years. Edward D. Perkins, after teaching in Maine for some time and serving as the principal of a large school in Washington, D.C., graduated with honors from the Georgetown Medical School, and since 1894 has practised medicine at the national capital. Lois M. Perkins, who was a school teacher for several years, married Harry S. Soper, of Bucksport, Me.

LEONARD LORD, a retired business man of Detroit, Somerset County, and an ex-member of the legislature, was born in Gorham, Me., June 1, 1822,

son of Nahum and Charlotte (Waterhouse) Lord. The father, who was a native of Berwick, Me., moved to Gorham when a young man, and there followed the tailor's trade in connection with farming. In 1830 he came to Detroit, then called Chandlersville, where in addition to these occupations he was engaged in lumbering; and he died here on October 26, 1846. Charlotte, his wife, who was a native of Gorham, became the mother of eleven children, of whom Leonard is the only survivor. The others, besides a child that died in infancy, were: George, Jeremiah, Joseph, Nahum, Harriet, Martha Ann, James, Major, and Alvin. The mother died in March, 1870, aged eighty-seven years.

Leonard Lord attended the common schools, and in his younger days was engaged in trade at the village. Later he carried on lumbering operations, and had an interest in various enterprises, including a saw-mill and a blacksmith shop. He also cultivated a farm for many years. On January 9, 1855, he married Ellen P. Crosby, who was born in Plymouth, Me., March 28, 1829. Her parents, Manson and Sabra (Getchell) Crosby, who were prosperous farming folk, resided in Plymouth until the year of her marriage. Then they moved to Marion, Linn County, Ia., where they spent the rest of their lives. Mr. and Mrs. Lord have had no children by their marriage. They reared an adopted daughter, who married J. A. Norton, formerly of Pittsfield, Me., with whom she is now residing in San Jose, Cal.

Mr. Lord was a Representative in the legis-

latures of 1869 and 1872, serving during each term on the Mercantile Insurance Committee. He was a member of the Board of Selectmen for twelve years and Town Clerk for two years, and he is now Town Treasurer. In politics he is a Republican. He attends the Methodist Episcopal church.

JOHN H. STIMSON, formerly the proprietor of a large granite quarry in Sullivan, Hancock County, was born in Cambridge, Mass., June 30, 1829, son of John and Eliza (Green) Stimson. On the paternal side he is descended from Quakers of Vermont. The father, a native of Vermont, was for many years a member of the firm Ames & Stimson, a well-known granite concern in its day, that worked quarries in Rockport, Mass. A business man of unusual energy and ability, he was prominent in the community. He died in his eighty-seventh year. His children were: John H., Lewis G., Eliza Jane, and Alfred A. Alfred A. is a real estate broker in Boston. Eliza Jane, now residing in Paris, France, is the widow of the late Jules Levy, who was formerly the professor of French at Harvard University.

John H. Stimson began his education in the public schools of Cambridge, and completed it at a private school in Philadelphia. It was the intention of his parents that he should enter professional life; but, preferring a business career, he became connected with the granite quarries on Cape Ann. Afterward, purchasing the Ames interest in the

firm of Ames & Stimson, he organized the Rockport Granite Company, with which he was prominently identified for a number of years. In 1875 he settled permanently in Sullivan. Here he purchased one of the largest quarries in this section, and engaged in cutting pavement blocks, curbing, and such other random work that offered sufficient profit. After buying his pleasantly located residence, he so improved it as to make it a most welcome addition to the locality. He died here on March 18, 1889, after an illness of a year's duration. His wife, Mrs. Catherine Augusta Stimson, who survives him, is a daughter of the Rev. Eben G. and Mehitable Farnam Barker Eaton, of Bridgton, Me. Mrs. Stimson's only daughter, Lillie A., married George C. Emery, of Kansas City, Mo., and has one son, Richard Stimson Emery.

CALVIN BLAKE, Town Treasurer of Hartland, Somerset County, was born in this town, March 14, 1836, son of Dr. Calvin and Louisa (Haskell) Blake. The father, a native of Turner, Me., born in 1798, in 1822, after graduating from the Maine Medical School at Brunswick, located for practice in Hartland, where he resided for the rest of his life. He was widely and favorably known throughout this section as a skilful and reliable physician. He also cultivated a large farm, and was a Justice of the Peace for many years. His death occurred in 1870. Louisa, his wife, who was a native of New Gloucester, Me., became the mother of eight children,

namely: Elizabeth, who is now the widow of P. C. Jones, late of Turner, and resides in Springfield, Me.; Harriett E., who was the wife of A. J. Burbank, of Bethel, Me.; Louisa, who died at the age of fifteen years; Frances C., who married George Lancey, a merchant of Hartland, both now deceased; John X., now a carpenter in Los Angeles, Cal., who married Almira Montgomery, of Oshkosh, Wis., since deceased; Calvin, the subject of this sketch; Silas, who is married and is engaged in farming in California; and Persis, now deceased, who married and resided in Albany, N. Y. The mother lived to be eighty-two years old.

Reared and educated in Hartland, Calvin Blake resided at home for a number of years after reaching his majority. In 1862 he went to California, where he remained a short time. From California he went to Humboldt County, Nevada, and three years later to Idaho City. Since his return East he has given his attention to general farming and the various public duties he has been called upon to discharge. He served as Tax Collector for sixteen years, was Deputy Sheriff for seven years, and has been Town Treasurer for the past thirteen years. In politics he is a Democrat. He was made a Mason in Hartland Lodge, No. 95, in 1860. Also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, he belongs to Hartland Lodge, No. 101, the Daughters of Rebecca, and the encampment in Pittsfield.

On December 16, 1868, Mr. Blake was joined in marriage with Mrs. Jennett H. Turner Blake, a daughter of Hannibal Turner,

of Auburn, Me., and the widow of Wilson Blake, late of the town of Turner. Mr. and Mrs. Blake have reared two adopted children: Annie, now the wife of Frank Ward, of Gorham, Me.; and Samuel G. Blake, who is residing at home.

JAMES A. MONROE, formerly an enterprising merchant, a manufacturer, and the railroad station agent at Monson Junction, Piscataquis County, was born in this town, April 1, 1839, son of Joseph S. and Abbie S. (Thompson) Monroe. His parents came from Livermore, Me., to the Piscataquis valley when the town of Abbot was struggling into existence, and his father became a large land-owner here. Joseph S. Monroe, besides being a prominent business man of the locality, was for a number of years Judge of Probate for Piscataquis County. He died in 1870, and his wife on May 13, 1880.

James A. Monroe engaged in a mercantile business when a young man, and followed it successfully for a number of years. He later operated mills in this town, and owned a farm, which he carried on with good results. He was Postmaster for twenty years, and occupied for the same length of time the position of station agent at Monson Junction for the Bangor & Aroostook Railway and the Monson (branch) Railway, serving in that capacity until 1895. His death occurred August 22, 1896. In politics he acted with the Republican party. In religion he was a Universalist.

Mr. Monroe married Harriet S. Jackson,

who was born in Abbot, April 27, 1842, daughter of Orrin and Hannah (Sawtelle) Jackson, the former of whom was one of the able and successful farmers of this town in his day. Orrin Jackson lived to be eighty-seven years old, and his wife died at sixty-four. Mrs. Monroe occupies a pleasant home in the village, from which a splendid view of the rugged and picturesque scenery of the Piscataquis valley is obtainable. Having been appointed Postmistress, she is fulfilling her duties with complete satisfaction, and is an active and able business woman. She is the mother of three children, namely: Sadie A., the wife of George H. Currier; James S., the station agent at Monson Junction; and Maude E., who is now a student in the State Normal School, Farmington, Me., class of 1899. James S. Monroe, born September 6, 1875, completed his education at the Foxcroft Academy. He learned telegraphy of his father at the railroad station, and at the age of seven or eight years was able to transmit or receive a message. In 1893 he was appointed station agent at Shirley. Afterward he succeeded his father at Monson Junction, and is still serving in that capacity. George H. Currier was born in East Orrington, Penobscot County, Me., in 1855. He is now a member of the firm of M. Currier & Son, proprietors of an excelsior manufactory, which is one of the leading industries in Abbot. This concern, which began business here in 1880, employs several men, and turns out about two thousand tons of excelsior annually. Mr. Currier is a Republican in politics, and has served with abil-

ity as Selectman and Town Treasurer. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His children are: Clifford and Doris.

FRANK T. NUTTING, a prominent farmer of Parkman, was born here on the old Nutting farm at Nutting Corners, October 23, 1846, son of Jesse and Betsey E. (Thurston) Nutting.

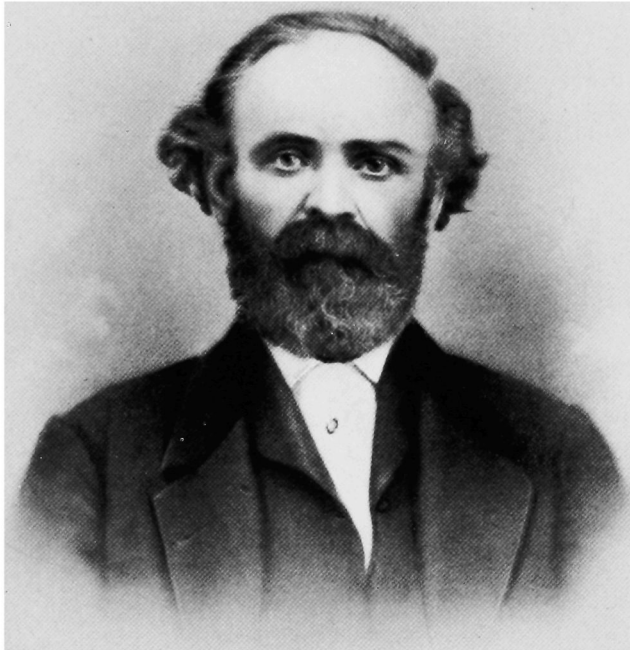
His paternal grandfather, Abel Nutting, was a farmer of Madison, Me., where he spent his life. He lived to be over eighty years old. Jesse Nutting was born and educated in Madison. At the age of twenty-three he came to Parkman and purchased the farm at Nutting Corners, on which he lived for twenty-six years, and which had not been cleared when he settled upon it. In 1864 he sold that place and bought the farm on which his son now resides. He was a blacksmith and stone-cutter by trade, and followed both these occupations as opportunity offered, doing considerable public work and erecting many buildings that are still standing in this vicinity. He put up the first derrick erected in the town of Monson. As an illustration of his ability to perform hazardous feats, it is said that at one time, when putting up a derrick, after the forty-foot pole was set up, he stood on his head on top of it. He was Captain of a company of State militia in Parkman. In political views he was a Democrat, in religion a Universalist. He held the office of Selectman sixteen years, fifteen years in succession, and was chairman

of the board a portion of the time. He was a member of Kineo Lodge, F & A. M., at Abbot. He died here in 1877, survived by his wife, who continues to live at the old home farm. Seven children were born to them, of whom five are now living. The record is as follows: Charles, who died in infancy; Horatio N., who died in 1882 in California; Marcellus A., a truckman in Red Oak, Ia.; Ann J., the wife of G. A. Matthews, of Weston, Mass.; Frank T., subject of this sketch; Jerome J., a barber and fruit gardener of Hollister, Cal.; and Mary E., wife of Fred Leighton, of Brockton, Mass. The mother, though now advanced in years, is still active, and employs much of her time in weaving, after the fashion of her younger days when she wove the cloth for the family wearing apparel.

Frank T. Nutting was educated in the public schools of Parkman. He has followed general farming up to the present time, and has charge of the large farm of three hundred acres, a third of which he owns, the remainder belonging to his mother. Besides practising general farming, he raises sheep and grade Jersey cattle.

Mr. Nutting was first married July 17, 1870, to Mary E. Page, who was born in New Sharon, Me., in 1850, a daughter of Reuben Page. Five children were the fruit of their union; namely, Daniel L., Fred L., Jesse R., Mark A., and Nora M. On August 16, 1893, the father formed a second marriage with Maria Sylvester, a native of Canaan, Me., born in 1852.

Mr. Nutting is a staunch Democrat. Frater-



JESSE NUTTING.

nally, he belongs to Penobscot Lodge, No. 39, F. & A. M., at Dexter; Plymouth Lodge, I. O. O. F., at Dexter; and the Patrons of Husbandry at Parkman. In religious views he is a Universalist.

CAPTAIN FRANCIS D. HODGKINS, of Lamoine, Hancock County, was born November 13, 1824, on his present homestead, which was then within the limits of Trenton. His paternal grandfather, William Hodgkins, was a pioneer of both the county and town of Hancock. In the latter William reclaimed a farm from the wilderness, and on it spent his remaining years.

Nathan Hodgkins, the Captain's father, who was born in Hancock, and there grew to man's estate, learned the trade of a ship calker, and afterward followed it for many years. He also worked as a ship-carpenter, a trade in which he was proficient. Soon after his marriage he took up ninety acres of wild land in Lamoine, and had a goodly part of it under cultivation before the close of his fourscore and four years of life. He married Harriet Googins, a daughter of Roger Googins, Jr., and a grand-daughter of Roger Googins, Sr., the first settler of Trenton Point. (A more extended history of her immediate ancestors may be found in the biography of her brother, Alanson Googins.) Four children were born of the union, as follows: Matilda, who married Henry S. Boyton; Francis D., the subject of this biography; Gilman, a resident of Lamoine, who married Sarah Gilpatrick; and

David D., of Lamoine, who successively married Augusta Coggins, a daughter of Captain Coggins, and Lizzie Harrington.

Having acquired a common-school education, Francis D. Hodgkins at the age of sixteen began his career as a fisherman, and for the ensuing twoscore years was profitably engaged in fishing and coasting. He was master mariner for the greater part of the time. Fifteen years have now passed since he made an extended fishing trip. He still retains an interest in several vessels, which yield him a substantial annual income.

The Democratic party has no more loyal a supporter than Captain Hodgkins. He is a valued member of the Baptist church, toward the support of which he contributes liberally, and a charter member of the local grange. On October 28, 1851, he married Miss Clarissa Goggins, who died in early womanhood. She left six young children; namely, Frank L., Helen, Charles, Herbert, Rosie T., and Nathan. Nathan is now deceased. A second marriage united the Captain with Lydia E. Wilbur, who has proved herself a most devoted wife and a tender and loving mother to his children.

DR. SAUNDERS G. SPOONER, a physician of Princeton, Washington County, and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in Calais, Me., April 9, 1836, son of Paul and Serena (Price) Spooner. The father, a native of Eddington, Me., was a mechanic and a miller by occupation. In 1835 he located in Calais, where he operated a

grist-mill for about twenty years; and in 1857 he moved to Princeton, where he built a mill and carried on a profitable business for the rest of his active period. One of the first men in this locality to join the Republican party, he figured quite prominently in public affairs. He was an active member of the Congregational church. At his death he was eighty-six years old. His wife, who was a native of Boystown, N.B., died at the age of sixty-nine. They were the parents of fourteen children, of whom twelve grew to maturity and eight are living. The latter are: Abigail, Charles L., Saunders G., Sarah J., Ida, Henry, Henrietta, and Clara. The others were: Lucretia, Richard, Emma, Price, Aaron H., and Della.

Saunders G. Spooner began his education in Calais and St. Stephens, and completed his studies at the East Maine Conference Seminary in Bucksport. At the age of twenty-one he moved to Princeton, where he was successively employed as a clerk and station agent. In 1861 he enlisted in Company H, Ninth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry. Receiving the appointment of hospital steward, he served in that capacity until the close of the Civil War. Upon his return to civil life he engaged in the drug business in Princeton. In connection therewith he practised medicine for several years, and is now to be found daily at his apothecary store, which is well stocked and largely patronized. For a long time he has been identified with public affairs. He was a Selectman for three years; has been Town Treasurer for the past eight years; Post-

master for eleven years; has been a County Commissioner for the same length of time, and is now the chairman of the board; and he has been a Justice of the Peace for some time.

In March, 1864, Dr. Spooner married Alice D. Clark, of Calais, daughter of Amos and Mary Clark. The father is no longer living, while the mother resides in Calais. Mrs. Spooner is the mother of three children, namely: Flora B., who is the wife of E. A. Merrill, of Lincoln, Me., and has five children; Hattie B., who married Marshall Kerr, of St. Stephens, N.B., and has three children; and Charles H., a dentist of Calais, who married Laura Semens, and has one child, Herold. Dr. Spooner is a member of Lewis Island Lodge, No. 42, F. & A. M., and of the Order of the Golden Cross. He is officially connected with the Congregational church and the superintendent of the Sunday-school.

AMASA J. MOOR, an enterprising lumber manufacturer of Hartland, Somerset County, was born in this town, June 16, 1827, son of James and Dorcas (Wiggins) Moor. The paternal grandfather, William Moor, of Goffstown, N.H., who came with his family to Maine, first locating in Skowhegan, settled in Hartland in 1802, and there operated a grist-mill for a number of years. Later in life he moved to Corinna, Me., and resided at what has since been known as Moor's Mills. He had a family of eight children.

James Moor accompanied his parents to

Hartland when he was two years old. A millwright by trade, he erected many mills during his active years, and also operated a saw-mill in this town. He died here in 1873. Dorcas, his wife, became the mother of ten children, namely: Almeda, who died young; Dolly, who married Colonel Daniel Elliott, of Brunswick, and died at the age of sixty years; Mary Jane, who married Edward Stewart, both now deceased; Amasa J., the subject of this sketch; Salina, the wife of F. T. Swift, a retired blacksmith, living in Chicago; James W., who married Martha Folsom, and is a furniture dealer and a manufacturer of caskets in Hartland; Clarinda, now living in the West, the widow of the late S. F. Lancey, who was a travelling man; Almeda, second, the wife of N. M. Webb, who cultivates the homestead farm in this town; Charles, who died while serving in the Civil War, and was buried in Washington, D.C.; and Benjamin Franklin Moor, who is no longer living.

Having completed his education at the Hartland Academy, Amasa J. Moor at the age of sixteen took charge of his father's saw-mill. In 1855 he erected a mill for the manufacture of long and short lumber, and conducted it successfully until it was destroyed by fire in 1885. He rebuilt it without delay, and in 1887 added a sash, door, and blind factory, which is now managed by his son. At present he is shipping building material to all parts of New England.

In 1855 Mr. Moor married Frances E. Lancey, a daughter of George Lancey, a millman of Palmyra. Mrs. Moor died September 7,

1894, leaving three children, namely: Walter H., who married a Miss Page, and is engaged in business with his father; Florence L., who married Elmer Smith, a travelling man, and has one daughter, Helen M. Smith; and Charles L. Moor, a graduate of the Maine State University at Orono, who married Mira Brown, of Hartland, is an attorney, and has been connected with the Linn Woollen Company since 1890. In politics Mr. Moor is a Republican. He has been a Trial Justice for twenty-five years, but he could not be persuaded to accept an elective office. In the I. O. O. F. he belongs to Hartland Lodge, No. 101; the Rebecca Lodge; and the encampment at Pittsfield.

CALVIN CHAMBERLAIN, a retired farmer of Foxcroft, son of Samuel and Abigail (Tucker) Chamberlain, was born in this town, October 8, 1810. The paternal grandfather, Eliakim Chamberlain, who was a native of Dudley, Worcester County, Mass., spent the greater part of his active life upon a farm in Charlton, where he died at the age of eighty years. An industrious and well-known farmer in his day, he was for many years a prominent figure in public affairs. He served as a soldier in the Revolutionary army. In religious belief he was a Universalist. He married Anna Stowe, a native of Massachusetts, who lived to an advanced age. They reared six sons and two daughters.

Samuel Chamberlain, eldest son of Eliakim, was born in Charlton, May 19, 1784. In

1807 he came to Piscataquis County. The first frame house in Foxcroft was erected by him in what is now the centre of the village, where the soldiers' monument stands. Later he moved to a tract of wild land two miles from the village. Here he cleared a farm, on which he resided for the rest of his life. After the incorporation of the town in 1812, he was elected a member of the first Board of Selectmen, and also to other offices. He was a member of the convention assembled in 1819 to draft the constitution and make other preliminary arrangements for the setting off of Maine as a separate State. The commission of Captain of militia, given him by Governor King after the organization of the State government, is now in the possession of his daughter. He served as Town Treasurer and as a trustee of the Foxcroft Academy for many years. His death occurred June 2, 1838. Politically, he was a Democrat. His religious faith was the Unitarian. He married Abigail Tucker, who was born in Charlton, July 26, 1788, daughter of Aaron Tucker. Her father, who was born in 1758, and her grandfather were Revolutionary soldiers, the latter serving as an officer. She died May 10, 1872. Of her eleven children, five are living, namely: Calvin, the subject of this sketch; Mrs. Sally J. Greeley, of Foxcroft, born August 18, 1818; Mrs. Lucy Campbell, a widow, born February 16, 1819; Mrs. Hannah F. Crocker, born November 12, 1820, a widow residing in Lakewood, N.J.; and Mrs. Cleora E. Jefferds, born May 15, 1827, a widow, and residing in Foxcroft. The others were:

Julia Ann, born February 2, 1813, who died in Geneseo, Ill., December 28, 1894; Abigail, born April 15, 1815, who died in Mount Vernon, Me., August 28, 1861; Luther, born February 25, 1817, who died in this town, May 24, 1881; an infant son, born August 25, 1822, who died August 28, 1822; Harriet S., born April 30, 1825, who died November 5, 1850; and Henrietta Chamberlain, born January 17, 1833, who died in Foxcroft, October 28, 1863.

Having completed his education at the Foxcroft Academy, Calvin Chamberlain taught school for several terms. In 1836 he went to Michigan, where he bought government land, and resided thereon for two years. Returning in 1838, he took charge of his father's property after the latter's death. He resided at the homestead until 1850. In the following year he purchased his present farm, which he improved by the erection of a new residence. As a general farmer he displayed unusual energy and ability, always taking advantage of improved methods with excellent results. Previous to his retirement he was considered one of the ablest farmers of this locality.

On October 26, 1838, Mr. Chamberlain married for his first wife Lavinia Philbrick, who died in 1842. Born of that union were two children: Samuel, who died in infancy; and Lucy, who died at the age of sixteen years. On February 14, 1847, a second marriage united Mr. Chamberlain with Mrs. Mary R. Tucker Converse, who was born in Charlton, Mass., December 13, 1812. He has served two terms as a County Commissioner,

was for twelve years a member of the State and County Boards of Agriculture, and he succeeded his father as a trustee of the Foxcroft Academy. In politics he is a Democrat of the Jeffersonian type, and he served as a delegate to his party's national convention in 1884. His religious opinions are inclined to be liberal, while he is an earnest advocate of temperance.

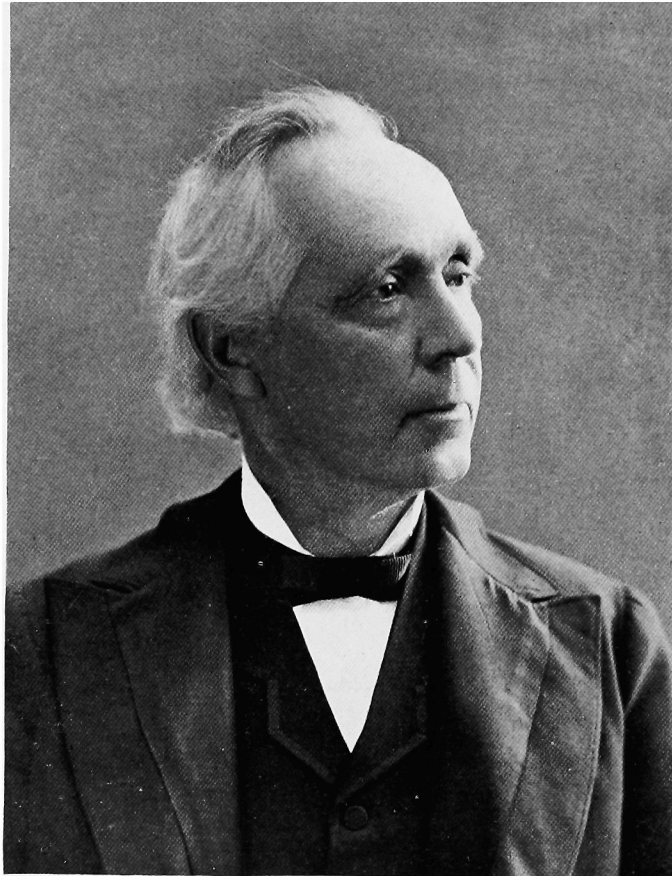
STILLMAN A. WALKER, a well-to-do farmer of Embden, Somerset County, was born in this town, February 5, 1845, son of Solomon and Margaret (Berry) Walker. The paternal grandfather, Elisha Walker, came from Wiscasset, Me., to Embden about 1817, and, settling upon a farm in the neighborhood of his grandson's present property, resided here for the rest of his life.

Solomon Walker, the father, born in 1813, was reared to farm life in Embden. In 1846 he located upon the farm now occupied by his son, and followed agriculture until his death, which occurred September 22, 1868. His wife, Margaret, who was born in Embden in 1817, became the mother of eight children, namely: George, who is no longer living; Cephas, who married Martha Washburn, and is now the chairman of the Board of Selectmen of Embden; Sarena, who is the widow of the late George Greenwood, and resides in South Norridgewock, Me.; Stillman A., the subject of this sketch; Lydia, who is the widow of Henry Hanson, and lives in Skowhegan, Me.; Marcellus, who died young;

Emma, the wife of George Pierce, a resident of New Portland, Me.; and Ella, the wife of Charles Thompson, a carpenter, residing in Worcester, Mass. The mother, who is now over eighty years old, resides with her son Stillman, in Embden. In religious belief she is a Free Will Baptist.

Stillman A. Walker acquired a common-school education. Starting in life for himself at the age of twenty-one, he shortly afterward bought a farm in Embden, which he carried on for a year. Then returning to the homestead, he has since resided there. Besides the old Walker farm, which contains two hundred acres, he owns two other farms, amounting to four hundred acres. He has carried on general farming, dairying, and stock-raising with considerable success. On June 20, 1868, he was joined in marriage with Martha Wentworth, of Embden, a daughter of James and Deborah Wentworth. Mrs. Walker has been the mother of three children — Ernest G., Charles, and Addie L. Ernest G., born September 1, 1869, was graduated from Harvard University, was assistant editor of the Washington (D.C.) *Post*, and during the last two sessions of Congress has acted as reporter for that paper. Charles, born December 3, 1870, now residing on the home farm, married Lettie Cowin, and had one daughter, Addie L., who was buried June 12, 1898, aged one year, two months. Addie L. Walker, born April 25, 1872, an accomplished school and music teacher, died at the age of twenty-two years.

Mr. Walker has served in various town



WILLIAM FREEMAN.

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Knights of Pythias of North-east Harbor. He attends religious services at the Episcopal church.

WILLIAM FREEMAN, of Cherryfield, Washington County, Me., who has held many offices of public trust, was born in Portland, Me., November 17, 1822, being the youngest child of William, Sr., and Frances (Clarke) Freeman and a representative of the seventh generation of his family in America.

His first paternal ancestor in this country was Samuel Freeman, who came from Devonshire, England, with Governor Winthrop in 1630, and settled the same year in Watertown, Mass., where he owned, tradition says, "one-seventh part of the township, being a proprietor." He died in England about 1639, while absent on business, leaving three children in America. The following record shows the direct line of descent.

Samuel Freeman (second), third and youngest child of the first Samuel, born May 11, 1638, in Watertown, married Mercy Southworth, daughter of Constant Southworth, of Plymouth, May 12, 1658. He became Deacon of the church in Eastham, Mass., in 1676, and was Representative to the General Court in 1697. "A man of pecuniary resources and financial ability, he was of service to the town in times of peculiar straits." He died November 25, 1712. He had nine children.

The second of these, Samuel Freeman, third, born in Eastham, March 26, 1662, mar-

ried Elizabeth Sparrow, February 5, 1684, and married second Bathsheba Smith about 1693. He died January 30, 1742-3. He was a long time in charge of the militia of Eastham, six years Selectman, and nineteen years Representative to General Court. Pratt says, "He was a man of large property for the time, always much engaged in public affairs, and a liberal supporter of education and religion." In town records he was called "Captain" and afterward "Deacon." He had fourteen children.

Judge Enoch Freeman, the ninth child of the third Samuel, was born in Eastham, May 17, 1706, and graduated at Harvard College in 1729. Soon after his graduation he taught school in Barnstable and Eastham, and then engaged in mercantile pursuits in Boston. He went to Falmouth, now Portland, Me., in 1741, and settled there in 1742. He superintended for some years the affairs of General Waldo, who had large estates in Cumberland County at that time. These positions and offices were held by Enoch Freeman:—

Captain of first company of militia in Falmouth, now Portland (W. Shirley, Governor), date of commission 1744 (this year by order of the government he superintended the construction of a "breastwork and platform for ten twelve-pound cannon on the Neck for the defence of the harbor, and when finished commanded it"); Selectman of Falmouth (Portland) three years from 1744; Major of Second Regiment militia in York (Governor Shirley) from 1746; Town Treasurer from 1746 to 1754; Justice of the Peace, commis-

sioned 1748; Colonel and commandant of a regiment on Eastern frontier, 1748; commanding officer of a guard to attend the Commissioners appointed to treat with Indians (Phipps), 1749; Deputy Naval Officer (W. S.), 1749; Deputy Collector of the Port of Falmouth (Portland), 1750 to 1774; Judge of Court of Common Pleas twenty-nine years, 1760 to 1788; Justice of the Quorum, commissioned 1761; Judge of Probate eighteen years, from 1770 until his death in 1788; Justice through the State, date of commission, 1775; Counsellor, negatived by Hutchinson, 1774; Representative to the General Court, 1748, 1755, 1756, 1774, and to the Provincial Congress, 1774.

In 1774 he was one of the "Committee of Correspondence on the alarming situation of public affairs," and to call a convention of delegates from all the towns in the county, and was one of the delegates to and chairman of the convention, and on the Committee of Thirteen chosen at that meeting "to draw up the sentiments of the convention." He was chairman of the Committee of Inspection and Correspondence, also chairman of the committee of the sufferers of Falmouth, Casco Bay, chosen by the inhabitants to "obtain relief from Europe." He was chairman of the Committee of Safety of Falmouth in 1775. He was Register of Deeds twenty-nine years, until his death, from 1760 to 1788. Judge Enoch Freeman's earlier commissions were under the Crown. His biographer, Alden Bradford, LL.D., says of him, "He was a zealous Republican during the Revolu-

tionary War, and his patriotism and zeal in support of civil liberty were always conspicuous." The historian, William Willis, in *Smith and Deane's Journal*, p. 363, says, "He was a man of moral worth and strict integrity, and of great usefulness from his education and energy in our community."

The Hon. Enoch Freeman married Mary Wright, August 31, 1742. She died January 7, 1785. He died September 2, 1788, aged eighty-two. They had seven children.

Judge Samuel Freeman, fourth of the name here mentioned, the eldest of the seven children of the above Enoch, was born in Falmouth, Me., June 15, 1743. His elementary education was obtained in the public and private schools of Portland, he being at one time a pupil of Stephen Longfellow. He afterward attended lectures at Harvard College, but did not take the whole of the prescribed course. He studied philosophy and astronomy under Professor Winthrop. His youthful days were spent in literary and mathematical studies. He taught school in Falmouth, 1764 until 1766. In 1767 he took charge of Captain Alexander Ross's business, and at his death acted as agent in settling up his large estate for the widow. In 1772 he traded for himself, and shipped cargoes of masts and spars to England. He was for a short time surveyor of land. In 1774 he was chairman of the Committee of Correspondence "on the alarming situation of public affairs"; and at a general meeting of the committees of the towns in the county held in general convention in Falmouth, September 21, 1774, he

was chosen secretary, and his father, Enoch Freeman, president. At this meeting a Committee of Thirteen, of which he was one and its secretary, was chosen "to draw up the sentiments of the convention, and report at the next meeting." This report, made memorable by subsequent events, was drawn up by him and presented by him at the adjourned meeting, and adopted. He was one of the Committee of Correspondence and Inspection, and a member of the committee of the sufferers of Falmouth to obtain aid in Europe. In 1775 he was elected sole delegate to the Provincial Congress from Falmouth. He was re-elected in 1776 and 1778, and at the third session of the Congress was chosen its secretary by a unanimous vote. When a House of Representatives was convened in July, 1775, he was chosen its clerk, which office he held until 1781, and was also an active member. He presided as Speaker of the House on some very important occasions.

Judge Samuel Freeman held many public offices and positions of public trust, twenty-two at one time. He was appointed Postmaster of Portland, October 5, 1775, commission signed by Benjamin Franklin. This office he held twenty-nine years. Judge Charles W. Goddard in writing of him said, "Deacon Freeman served through a number of dispensations, his official life of nearly twenty-nine years lasting through the remnant of King George III.'s nominal rule over the united colonies; through the continental régime; through the old confederacy; through the administrations of Washington and Adams and

until near the close of Jefferson's first term, when he was removed, being unwilling to sacrifice his federal principles for office."

He was Justice of the Peace during a long series of years, actively employed in the trial of civil and criminal causes, having the jurisdiction now held by our municipal courts. He was Register of Probate thirty-six years; Judge of Probate seventeen years; Clerk of the Court of General Sessions forty-six years; Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas forty-five years, and, from 1795 until the separation from Massachusetts in 1820, of the Supreme Judicial Court, with the exception of the year 1811 (that year he was removed by Governor Gerry, and the next restored by Governor Strong).

For a lifetime he was standing Moderator of the town meetings in his native town; for twenty-five consecutive years was Selectman, with the exception of one year, and most, if not all of the time, chairman of the board. For many years he was chairman of the School Committee. He also held other minor, at that time important, town offices. For instance, he and Woodbury Storer were elected Wardens. He was also on the fire ward and clerk of the market. He was chiefly instrumental in obtaining appropriations in money for the sufferers from the Mowett fire, and, with others, in obtaining a grant of two townships of land from the General Court. He was clerk and general agent of the proprietors of the sufferers' townships, afterward the towns of New Portland and Freeman, and one of the committee to settle the same and

purchase lands for the settlers. He was over thirty years one of the trustees of Portland Academy, being particularly active in obtaining the act of incorporation and a grant for it of half a township of land; and "it was through his unwearied exertions," Mr. Willis says, that a fund of three thousand dollars was raised for the academy, which the court imposed as the condition for the grant.

He was clerk, agent, and general manager for the proprietors of four Eastern townships most of the time from 1762, inclusive, to near the present century, namely: No. 1, Trenton or Thorndike township; Nos. 4, 5, and 6, now comprising Steuben, Millbridge, Harrington, Addison, and the southern part of Cherryfield. He was chairman of the committee for building the jail, associated with William Gorham and John Frothingham. All through his life he was interested in and worked for the cause of education, and the academy particularly received his earnest support and fostering care. He was chairman of the committee for building the court-house in Portland; was Parish Committee and Assessor and committee to sell lands in Standish; was one of the Overseers of Bowdoin College; president of the board in 1816 to 1819, three years; also treasurer and trustee of the college and a committee to sell townships granted to said college.

He was one of the founders and president of the Maine Bank from its organization in 1802 to the expiration of its charter, also was one of the founders and an active member and president of the Portland Benevolent Society.

He was a prominent member and held offices in the "Eastern Society for promoting the Knowledge of the Sacred Scriptures, and establishing Christian Order, Instruction, and Piety in the District of Maine," the Bible Society, Maine Education Society, Eastern Branch of Massachusetts Evangelical Society, and Tract Society, Peace Society, First Parish Charity Fund Society, "Society for the Suppression of Vice and Immorality," Sixty-nine Society (a temperance organization), Central Sabbath Committee, Portland Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews; and, with the exception of one or two, the record shows that he was one of the founders of them all. He was a member and most of the time Deacon of the First Parish Church for over sixty years.

While a member of the Provincial Congress in 1775, he was one of a committee appointed by the Congress "to take depositions *in perpetuam*, in which a full account of the transactions of the troops under General Gage, in their route to and from Concord on Wednesday last, may be collected to be sent to England by the first ship from Salem." They were taken; and Mr. Freeman was with four others appointed by the Congress to "prepare a letter to our agent in London, Dr. Franklin," which was done.

Mr. Willis, in his "Courts and Lawyers of Maine," says of him: "Whoever held so many and such a variety of offices before? Yet we are assured, and partly know from our own observation, that no duty in any of them escaped his attention or was neglected. He

was the most industrious of men and the most exact and faithful. Long experience had given him great facility: and a firm constitution, regular habits, and persevering labor enabled him to perform all his responsible and arduous duties with fidelity and correctness. At the same time he employed himself in preparing works for publication, which his offices showed him to be needed, and which proved to be exceedingly useful to the profession and others. These were the 'Town Officer,' 'Clerk's Assistant,' 'Probate Manual' and 'Justice's Assistant.' His last work was the editing the journal of his venerable pastor, the Rev. Thomas Smith." This was undertaken by Judge Samuel Freeman when he was over eighty years old. He died in Portland, Me., June 18, 1831, at the age of eighty-eight.

The Hon. Samuel Freeman, fourth, married first, November 3, 1777, Mary Fowle, daughter of Edmund Fowle, of Watertown. She was born November 21, 1749, and died January 7, 1785. He married, second, Betsey, widow of Pearson Jones and daughter of Dr. Enoch Ilsley, of Portland. She was born October 6, 1754, and died in March, 1831. Three children were the fruit of the first union and six of the second.

William Freeman, Sr., father of the subject of this sketch, was the second son of Judge Samuel and Mary (Fowle) Freeman, and was born in Portland, July 3, 1783. His preparatory studies were pursued at Fryeburg and Berwick Academies, and he was graduated at Harvard College in 1804. While in college

he wrote many articles for the Boston press, chiefly poetry. At his graduation he delivered a poem, for which he was highly complimented by the president and faculty. Soon after he studied law two years with his wife's uncle, Judge Green, of Berwick, and one year with William Symmes in Portland, Woodbury Storer being his fellow-student. He was admitted to the Cumberland bar, and opened an office in Portland in 1807. In 1812 he moved to Limerick, where he became associated with Jonathan Bryant in trade and the manufacture of lumber. He remained there about eight years, and then returned to Portland, and resumed the practice of law. In 1824 he removed to Saccarappa, and built the house now occupied by Lewis Warren. In 1827 he built a cottage on the site lately occupied by Warren Brown in Westbrook (now Deering), and he resided there a year or more. At this period, finding that the Eastern lands conveyed to him by his father in 1826 required his personal attention, he spent most of his time in Cherryfield; and after the death of his father in 1831 he moved his family to Cherryfield. About the year 1832 he was instrumental in obtaining a charter from the State to build a bridge across the Narragagus River, where the present covered bridge now stands; and he erected the large building opposite on the east side, which was used for a hotel many years. From this time he lived in Cherryfield until his decease.

William Freeman, Sr., while a resident of the town of Limerick, before the separation from Massachusetts, represented that place in

the legislature of that State; and in 1829 he was elected to the legislature of Maine from the Cherryfield district. He did not seek these offices, but invariably shunned political honors. He declined several nominations to Congress and many to the legislature of his own State. He was a very industrious man, and was an enthusiastic poet from his youth up. While in college he wrote an exhibition poem on "Fiction," and a Commencement poem on "Credulity." He also wrote a class poem, entitled "Indifference," which he delivered before the Hasty Pudding Club. During the Harrison campaign of 1840 and Clay campaign of 1844 he wrote many campaign songs. At the age of ninety-two or ninety-three he composed one hundred and fifty pages of poetry. In politics he was an ardent Clay Whig and a Republican from the formation of the party. He was a Unitarian in his religious views, but attended other churches, and contributed to their support.

George B. Griffith, in his "Poets of Maine," says of him: "This distinguished philanthropist was born in Portland, July 3, 1783, and died at Cherryfield, February 20, 1879, at the ripe age of ninety-six. He graduated at Harvard College in 1804, having written considerable for the Boston *Palladium* and other publications previous to that date. Mr. Sayward, editor of the Bangor *Whig*, regarded Mr. Freeman as the most versatile writer then in the State, and many of his best verses were written under *noms de plume*.

"On the 4th of July, 1808, while a resi-

dent of Portland, he delivered an oration in the old wooden First Parish meeting-house by invitation of the town authorities. Mr. Freeman became a well-read lawyer, a lecturer, and peacemaker. It is said that he sometimes spent days in efforts to obtain peaceful settlements between parties who applied to him to prosecute or defend their claims before the courts. The great object of his life seems to have been to benefit his fellow-men, and for this he had the respect and esteem of all in his region."

He married August 29, 1806, Frances Clarke, daughter of Thomas Clarke, of Boston, and grand-daughter of the Rev. Jonas Clarke, of Lexington, Mass. Her grandfather was descended from Hugh Clarke, who came to this country early, settled in Watertown in 1666, became a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, and held other important stations. It was at the home of the Rev. Jonas Clarke that John Hancock and Samuel Adams often met for counsel, and there they passed the night preceding the battle of Lexington.

Charles Hudson, in his History of Lexington, often quotes and speaks of him. On page 161 he says: "Mr. Clarke was a man of high rank in his profession, a man of practical piety, a learned theologian, a person of general reading, a writer perspicuous, correct, and pointed beyond the standard of the day, and a most intelligent, resolute, and ardent champion of the popular cause. He was connected by marriage with the family of John Hancock. To this circumstance, no doubt, may be as-

cribed some portion of his interest in the political movements of the day; while on the mind of Hancock an intimacy with Mr. Clarke was calculated to have a strong and salutary influence."

On page 238 Hudson says: "His [Jonas Clarke's] counsels are known to have had a great and perhaps a controlling influence upon John Hancock at a time when he was supposed to be in doubt relative to his duty."

"Mr. Clarke's character for patriotism was so well understood that all the ardent friends of liberty used to frequent his home; and they never left uninstructed or unwarned with truly religious, patriotic ardor." The Lexington records teem with able and statesmanlike papers written by him. The inscription on the soldiers' monument was furnished by him. Governor Andrew said of him, "He was one of the most distinguished clerical patriots of Massachusetts in our Revolutionary age."

He was chosen and attended as a delegate the convention to form a constitution, "served at the meeting on several important committees, where his good sense and ripened wisdom were of great service."

The Rev. Jonas Clarke had twelve children, several of whom besides Thomas, already mentioned, were distinguished in themselves and descendants. His son Jonas settled in Kennebunk, was appointed Collector of the Port and Judge of Probate for the county of York. His daughter Lydia married the Rev. Benjamin Greene, who afterward was appointed Judge of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas and United States Marshal of the

district. Mary Clarke married the Rev. Henry Ware, of Hingham, professor of divinity in Harvard University, whose children — Henry Ware, Jr., and John Ware — also held professorships in Harvard College. Hudson, after speaking of each member of his family, adds, "It will be seen but few families can boast of distinction such as has fallen to the lot of the Rev. Jonas Clarke."

Thomas Clarke, father of Mrs. Freeman, was born in Lexington, September 27, 1759. He moved from Lexington to Boston, and engaged in trade. He married Sally Conant. He was chosen Town Clerk in 1809, and held the office thirteen years. In 1822 Boston was incorporated as a city, and Mr. Clarke was chosen a member and clerk of the Common Council. These offices he held till his death, twenty-three consecutive years. He died in office in the seventy-third year of his age. The president of the Common Council, in announcing his death, said: "His private virtues and his long tried public service are too well known and too highly appreciated by you to require any eulogium from me. He has gone to the grave in the fulness of years, and his memory is honored by the universal respect of his fellow-citizens."

He was Captain of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery.

The children of William and Frances (Clarke) Freeman were: William, born February 22, 1808, died February 23, 1808; Frances Sarah, born June 20, 1810, married first Dr. Tristram Redman and second John M. Hale, of Ellsworth, both deceased;

Lucy Helen, born August 9, 1812, who married Moses Hale, both deceased; George, born October 15, 1814; Elizabeth Dorcas, born March 1, 1817, died June 10, 1893; Charlotte, June 29, 1819, married Judge Caleb Burbank both deceased; William, November 17, 1822, married first Sophia T. Lewis, September 4, 1851, and married second Mary C. Freeman, December 24, 1880. William Freeman, Sr., died February 20, 1879, aged nearly ninety-six years. His wife, Mrs. Frances Clarke Freeman, died April 29, 1861.

At the age of six years William Freeman, the special subject of this sketch, went to live with his grandfather, Thomas Clarke, in Boston, where he attended one of the public schools. He afterward spent eighteen months with his maternal aunts in the old Hancock House in Lexington, and while there attended the academy, which overlooked the battleground. About 1833 he was sent home to Cherryfield, whither the family had removed. He attended the town schools and academy in Cherryfield until 1836, when he was sent to the Wells Boarding-school at South Boston Point, where he remained six years, the last year as an assistant in the school. He taught school in Cherryfield one year, studied law in his father's and Judge Caleb Burbank's office, and was admitted to the Washington County bar in 1845, and practised law in Cherryfield. In 1850, becoming interested in timber lands, Mr. Freeman engaged in the manufacture of lumber of various kinds, which business he followed for nine years. In the winter of

1853-54 he built the first belt saw-mill erected in this section of the county.

In 1860 he was appointed Deputy Collector of Customs, which office he held during the war of the Rebellion and until the fall of 1868, when it was removed to Millbridge. He was also Inspector of Customs during most of the time, retaining the office some years.

While Deputy Collector he seized a Confederate brig, which ran the blockade at Florida in March, 1863. On her way to St. John, N.B., for supplies for the Confederacy she ran into the mouth of Harrington River for a harbor in the night-time. The morning following, fearing seizure, she hastily weighed anchor to escape, and in doing so swung against a field of ice, which held her fast. Mr. Freeman, who had been previously notified of her presence, at that moment reached the bank, and saw her predicament. He engaged a man to row him to the brig in a small skiff; and, as he approached the vessel, the captain, who was pacing the deck, had the ladder which hung at her side hoisted on board. Mr. Freeman ordered the captain to put it back, which after some hesitation he reluctantly did. Mr. Freeman then boarded and seized the brig and crew without further opposition. The master made no resistance, believing, it was said at the time, that the Collector had an armed force upon the shore. This he judged from his temerity in boarding the vessel single-handed and unarmed, and taking the risk of being carried to sea, which could have been done, for she soon after was

cleared from the ice. A new crew was put on board, and both vessel and crew were sent to Machias. The same year, 1863, Mr. Freeman was ordered to seize a schooner at anchor off Ripley's Point in Harrington, about one-quarter of a mile from the shore, which was engaged in smuggling. He went with two men to seize her. No boat could be found; and Mr. Freeman stripped and swam one-quarter of a mile, and boarded and took the schooner, but afterward gave her up, as there was not sufficient proof of her being a smuggler.

Mr. Freeman threw his first vote for Henry Clay in 1844, and remained a Whig until the formation of the Republican party, and has remained a Republican since. During the war of the Rebellion he gave his professional services to the soldiers and their families, doing the correspondence for many of them free of charge. He was a member of the Maine legislature from 1880 to 1885, has been Justice of the Peace and Quorum over fifty years, and now holds the office with that of Notary Public. He has held at different times offices of trust in Cherryfield.

He married first Sophia T. Lewis, who was born October 26, 1827, and died June 7, 1874. She was the fourth child of Thompson Lewis, who came to Cherryfield from Connecticut, and engaged in trade and the manufacture of lumber until his death. Her mother was Sophia Archibald, daughter of Thomas Archibald, who came from Scotland, where his ancestors were men of note in their day. Thomas Archibald married Hannah, daughter

of Colonel Alexander Campbell, of Cherryfield. Mr. Freeman married second, December 24, 1881, Mary Cushing Freeman. She was born November 10, 1851, and is a lineal descendant from Enoch Freeman, Jr., fifth son of Judge Enoch Freeman. The following is a record of the children of William Freeman: William, born April 8, 1853, died March 12, 1856; Mary Lewis, born July 17, 1855; Charles, born December 9, 1857, died November 19, 1861; Everett L., born January 3, 1860, died in August, 1865; Frances Clarke, born May 26, 1862, died November 11, 1869; George Gifford Freeman, born January 1, 1868; Catherine Lewis, born November 7, 1869; William, born December 19, 1882, died February 11, 1883; Helen Elizabeth, born December 23, 1886; Charlotte Burbank, born September 23, 1889.

Mr. Freeman is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and of the Genealogical Society of Maine, and was a member of various temperance societies in the past. For six years he was a member of the Farmers' National Congress, whose sessions were held in the South and West under commissions from the governors of the State; and he held the office of vice-president for Maine of that body during that time, and for two years was its treasurer. He has been clerk and director of several business corporations. For thirty years past he has given much attention to agriculture and to beautifying his extensive grounds. He has written for the press on historical and other subjects, and delivered addresses before different organizations. He

is liberal in his religious views, and approves of sustaining all religious denominations and other associations whose aim is to educate, elevate, and improve the human race, to make men purer, better, leading to moral, upright, honest, and happy lives.

[Constant Freeman,⁶ a great-great-grandson of Samuel² and Mercy (Southworth) Freeman, an artillery officer in the Revolution and Brevet-colonel in 1812, was a member of the Massachusetts Society of the Cincinnati. He was a brother of the Rev. James Freeman, D.D., for fifty-two years minister of King's Chapel, Boston.]

VAN RENSELAER TUTTLE, a retired lumberman of Canaan, Somerset County, and an ex-member of the legislature, was born in this town, November 11, 1812, son of Wentworth and Elizabeth (Wyman) Tuttle. In the beginning of the century the father came from Berwick, Me., his native town, to the region of the Kennebec. After lumbering for some time successively in Fairfield and Clinton, he moved in 1804 to Canaan, where besides lumbering and farming he conducted a general store in the village for some years. One of the pioneer business men of the locality, he took a leading part in affairs. He represented his district in the legislature for six terms, and was also a State Senator and a member of the Executive Council. His death occurred in 1864. His wife, Elizabeth, who was a native of Fairfield, became the mother of ten children. Of these,

two are living, namely: Lodoiska, who resides in New York City; and Van Renselaer, the subject of this sketch. The others were: Philena, Mary, Roxana, Elizabeth, Frances Adeline, Eben, Wentworth, and Wallace. Wallace Tuttle was a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point. Eben Tuttle invented a water-wheel that was extensively used throughout the United States. The mother died in 1856.

Van Renselaer Tuttle was reared and educated in Canaan. While yet a youth he became connected with the lumbering industry. In the thirties he began to operate a saw and grist mill, which he still owns. He has also dealt in real estate, and has been interested in patent rights. In connection with the latter he estimates that he has travelled upward of twenty-eight thousand miles within the United States. His business ventures have proved financially successful, and he is the owner of much valuable real estate, including the water-power privileges of this locality.

On September 28, 1868, Mr. Tuttle was united in marriage with Mrs. Helen Gilman Tuttle, his brother's widow. She was born in Canaan, March 14, 1829, daughter of Winthrop W. and Deborah (Tupper) Gilman. The former was for many years engaged in the leather business in New York, where both subsequently died. In politics Mr. Tuttle is a Democrat. He served as a member of the Board of Selectmen and Town Treasurer for a number of years, and represented this district in the legislature during the session of 1856. Having been a prime mover in procuring the

construction and the charter of a railroad from Boothbay Harbor to Quebec, he hopes to see it completed in the near future.

SULLIVAN MORSE, a well-known business man of Foxcroft, Piscataquis County, was born in this town, April 8, 1835, son of Amos and Lucy (Bullard) Morse. The father, a native of New Hampshire, came to Foxcroft when the village contained but six houses, and there settled upon a farm. In 1849 he went to California, where he worked in the mines until 1851. On his way home with the proceeds of his labor he was robbed. He again started for the mines, but died before reaching his destination, and was buried in San Diego. At this time he was sixty-five years old. His wife, Lucy, who was a native of Turner, Me., reared six children, namely: Julia, Justina, and Hannah, who are no longer living; and Albion, Sullivan, and Charles, who are residing in Foxcroft. She attended the Universalist church. Her death occurred in her seventy-second year.

Sullivan Morse acquired a common-school education in this town. In his youth he made himself useful about the home farm. When a young man he engaged in farming, which he has since followed. Also, for a number of years he carried on quite an extensive butchering business, and shipped cattle to the Boston market. He and his brother Charles have been associated in several successful business enterprises. Besides fifty-five acres

of the homestead property, he owns a pleasant home in the village, where he now resides. His business ability and upright character have gained for him a wide circle of friends, and he is much esteemed by his fellow-townsmen. On June 22, 1898, he married Miss Rose A. Smith, a daughter of Benjamin and Hannah (Maryfield) Smith, of Bingham, Me. He attends the Methodist Episcopal church, of which Mrs. Morse is a member.

SAMUEL H. RICHARDS, a retired business man of Eden, Hancock County, and an ex-member of the Maine legislature, was born in this town, February 20, 1811, son of William and Hephzibah (Hadley) Richards. His paternal grandfather, also named William, removed from Newburyport, Mass., to Deer Isle, Me., where he resided for a time, and then returned to Massachusetts. The father, who was born in Newburyport, followed the sea for the greater part of his life. After his marriage he settled in Eden upon a farm formerly owned by his wife's father, and was the master of coasting-vessels until he was quite an old man. He reached the age of eighty-five years. His wife, who was a daughter of Simeon Hadley, became the mother of nine children; namely, Josiah B., Priscilla D., William B., Samuel H., Ruth, Mary Ann, Hannah B., Simeon H., and George B. Richards. Of these, three are living: Samuel H., the subject of this sketch; Mary Ann, residing in Eden, who is the widow of Cornelius

Thomas; and Hannah B., who married Nathan King, and resides in Vineland, N.J. Josiah B. Richards left quite a large family. Priscilla D. Richards, who married Moses Richardson and lived to be eighty-nine years old, was the mother of four children, of whom the survivors are: Perry and Whitcomb Richardson. William B. Richards left two children — Frank and Hephzibah. Ruth married William Richardson, and left four sons — Josiah, Clifford, Eli, and David.

After finishing his studies in the district schools Samuel H. Richards went to sea for two years. Then he learned the blacksmith's trade, which he followed for many years. Afterward at Salisbury Cove he successfully carried on a general store for ten years. Since then he has practically lived in retirement. Having invested in shipping quite extensively, he is interested at the present time in several paying vessels. With the exception of five years spent in Rockland, Me., he has been a lifelong resident of Eden. By his marriage with Elizabeth R. Cox, a daughter of John Cox, of Bristol, he has two children — George W. and M. Emma. George W. married Aurelia Carey, and has one daughter, Marie. M. Emma married Samuel N. Rich, of Eden, and has two daughters — Louise and Maggie Rich.

In politics Mr. Richards is a Democrat, and he cast his first Presidential vote for Andrew Jackson in 1832. He has been Selectman, Assessor, Road Commissioner, and Agent of Town Funds; and he was a member of the legislature in 1855. When elected to the

legislature again in 1876 by a close vote, he declined to oppose a contest for his seat.

DS. ROBINSON, a prominent resident of Palmyra, Somerset County, was born in Mount Vernon, Kennebec County, November 26, 1825, son of Daniel and Clarissa (Jewett) Robinson. When a young man the father, who was for twenty years a schoolmaster, moved from Brentwood, N.H., his native town, to Mount Vernon, and there settled upon a farm. In 1835 he came to Palmyra, and, purchasing the farm now occupied by his son, resided here until his death, which occurred in 1837. His wife, Clarissa, who was a native of Dover, N.H., became the mother of seven children. Of these, three are living, namely: Daniel S., the subject of this sketch; Reuel, a real estate dealer in Seattle, Wash.; and Roscoe Robinson, a fruit-grower in Healdsburg, Cal. The others were: Clarissa, Angeline, Fritz Edward, and Jonathan. Jonathan, who was an attorney, and died in 1849, aged twenty-seven years, married Rebecca Veasey, and left one daughter, Annie Robinson, who is now a school teacher in Washington, D.C. The mother died in 1877, aged eighty-three years.

Daniel S. Robinson went from the common schools to the Rockingham Academy in Hampton Falls, N.H. Afterward he was employed as a clerk in Lawrence, Mass., whence he went to California in 1851. There he was engaged in mining for over two years. Upon his return to Palmyra he bought a part of the

homestead, and some time later was engaged in a mercantile business in Lawrence. In 1857 or 1858 he resumed farming in Palmyra, where, excepting an interval of six months spent in his brother-in-law's store in Hartford, Conn., he has since remained. His property contains two hundred acres of land, which he uses for general farming. The most of the farm labor is performed by hired men.

On November 9, 1857, while residing in Lawrence, Mr. Robinson was united in marriage with Anna Bruce, of Northampton, Mass., whose father, Robert Bruce, now deceased, was a manufacturer in that town. Mrs. Robinson became the mother of two children: Reuel, born September 25, 1858; and Walter, born October 11, 1861. Reuel Robinson, a graduate of Bates College, who is an attorney in Camden, Me., married Blanche Atkins. Walter Robinson, located in Hartford, Conn., is a Special Examiner of the United States Pension Department. In politics Mr. Robinson is a Republican. For four years he served with ability as a Selectman, and he was Town Clerk for twelve years. A member of the Patrons of Husbandry, he is connected with the Palmyra Grange. Mrs. Robinson died in October, 1889, aged fifty-eight years.

MALON PATTERSON, Town Treasurer of Solon, Somerset County, and an enterprising general merchant, was born in Industry, Me., May 1, 1849, son of David and Harriet K. (Chaney) Patterson. The father, who was a native of

Madison, Me., in his youth was employed as ferryman upon the river. He also worked in the woods, spending in both occupations about fourteen years. During that time he resided in Solon and Industry, Me. He likewise carried on a large farm in West Mills for some time. In 1866 he returned to Solon, and, settling upon the Sanborn farm, he resided here until his death, which occurred April 27, 1896. He served as the chairman of the Board of Selectmen in Industry for three years, having been a member of the board for a longer period. In Solon he was the chairman of the Selectmen for five years, and he represented the Solon district in the legislature for one term. His wife, who was a native of Solon, became the mother of six children, namely: Malon, the subject of this sketch; Olivia, who died aged one year; Sarah, who married Philander Baker, of Carritunk, and has three children—Eda, Charles E., and David Seth; David Horace, a horse dealer in Athens, who married Flora Locke, of that town; Ellen H., the wife of Ernest Whipple, who is a farmer and resides at the old Patterson homestead; and Mildred E., who married Dr. F. G. Manson, formerly of Limington, Me., later the principal of the Anson Academy, and now a physician in Billerica, Mass. The mother resides with her daughter in Solon.

Malon Patterson attended the common schools and the Norridgewock Academy. At the age of twenty-one he went to Boston, where he was employed as clerk and bookkeeper in a retail grocery store for three and a

half years. Then a serious affection of his eyes compelled him to relinquish that occupation; and, returning to Maine, he was for the next three years engaged in farming in Solon. He had also managed the grange store here for five years, when he was obliged to give it up on account of ill health. After that he was for a time connected with a map enterprise in Elizabeth, N.J. Since May, 1886, he has carried on a flourishing general store in Solon village.

On March 25, 1879, Mr. Patterson was joined in marriage with Emily S. Whipple, of Solon, a daughter of Sumner and Martha (French) Whipple. Mr. Whipple, who at one time was a carriage manufacturer, resides in this town. His wife is no longer living. Politically, Mr. Patterson is a Democrat. He has served with ability as Town Treasurer for the past twelve years, and he has been a member of the School Board. In 1894 and 1895 he was Worshipful Master of Keystone Lodge, F. & A. M., and has advanced in the order as far as the commandery. He is also connected with Solon Lodge, I. O. O. F.

HON. SAMUEL WILSON COLLINS,
 one of the pioneers of Caribou, Aroostook County, and in 1870 a member of the Maine Senate, was born in Bangor, Me., September 6, 1811, son of William and Sarah (Dickey) Collins.

His paternal grandfather was James Collins, a native of Lancashire, England, who came to America as a Lieutenant in the British army at

the time of the French and Indian War, and, remaining here after the close of the war, settled in Hancock County, Maine. He was twice married, first to a Miss Abbott and second to a Miss Green. Of each union were born two sons — John and Davis of the first and William and James of the second. Grandfather Collins, who drew a pension from the British government, went to England to settle an estate, and was never heard from afterward.

William Collins, third of the four sons named above, was born in Castine, Me., and in early life was a sailor, serving as mate of the first packet plying between Bangor and Boston. He later bought a farm in Calais, Me., where he resided for many years, or until 1836, when he sold his property. He died at Vance Mills about the year 1840, aged sixty-two. Sarah Dickey Collins, his first wife, was a native of either Londonderry, N.H., where members of the Dickey family were among the early settlers, or Prospect, Me. She died at the age of forty-five years; and he married for his second wife Eliza Budd, of the Province of New Brunswick. Of his first union were born ten children, one of whom died in infancy. The others were: Sarah, who married Silas Farnham; Elenor, who lived to be eighty-four years old; Abigail, who died young; William, Jr.; Samuel Wilson, whose personal history is given below; James; Sewell; Harvey; and David. Of these the only survivor is Samuel W., the subject of this sketch. By his second marriage William Collins had three children, namely: Eliza; Nancy, who married Abraham Sawin,



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formerly a merchant and mill operator and now in the oil business in California; and a child that died young.

Samuel Wilson Collins was reared in Calais previous to the adoption of a regular public school system, and his educational opportunities were therefore limited; but his natural aptitude for accumulating knowledge has in a great measure enabled him to supply this deficiency. He resided at home until eighteen years old, at which time he started in life for himself, and for three years was employed in a saw-mill at Robbinston. He worked in a ship-yard there for the same length of time, and was subsequently engaged in building and repairing mills at Millbridge and other places. In 1840 he went to Providence, R. I., and later to St. Louis, Mo., remaining there for a short time, and passed the following winter in Cincinnati, Ohio. Upon his return East he went to Jackson, N. B., and in the spring of 1844 he took up his residence in the then struggling settlement of Caribou. In company with the late W. A. Vaughan, he built saw and grist mills, and began the manufacture of lumber, employing quite a number of men and bringing considerable business to the town. The enterprising firm of Collins & Vaughan also engaged in trade as general merchants, handling goods from Bangor. At one time they owned the entire central portion of the town of Caribou. Mr. Collins was associated with Mr. Vaughan until 1857, when he engaged in the sawing of long and short lumber on his own account for the market in St. John, N. B., and carried on a thriving general store. He was

actively connected with these enterprises until 1892, since which time the business has been superintended by his son.

A few years ago Mr. Collins erected a fine business block on Sweden Street, one half of which is occupied by S. W. Collins & Son, and the other half by Mr. Spaulding as a hardware store. He also owns three other stores, eight dwelling houses, and one hundred acres of land in the village, and deals extensively in real estate. His energy and ability have been used for the benefit of the general community, as well as for his private enterprises; and as a public-spirited citizen he has accomplished much in the way of improvements. As early as 1856 he advocated the building of a railroad from Bangor to Aroostook County, the advantages of which he foresaw; and he is to be congratulated for having lived to see the consummation of that enterprise. He has served with ability as a Selectman, Treasurer, and in other town offices; was a member of the House of Representatives in 1856 and again in 1860; and was a State Senator in 1870. In politics he is a Democrat.

On October 12, 1847, Mr. Collins was united in marriage with Dorcas S. Hardison, born in Winslow, Me., March 7, 1827, daughter of Ivory and Dorcas (Abbott) Hardison. Her father was a native of Berwick and her mother of Winslow. Mrs. Collins was, to use the significant local term, the first Yankee girl in Caribou, the Hardisons being the first white family to make their home here. Ivory Hardison, who was a wheelwright by trade, settled in the wilderness about three miles from the

village, and cleared land for agricultural purposes. He assisted the surveyors in laying out the town, was prominent in political and educational affairs, and served as Postmaster. He reared a family of ten children, namely: Jacob; Dorcas S., who became Mrs. Collins; Oliver; Mary Ann, who is now Mrs. Bishop, and lives in California; Harvey; Ida, who is now Mrs. Brown, and resides in California; Wallace L., who is in South America; Martin, who is no longer living; Ai, a farmer in Caribou; and James Hardison, who is in the oil business in Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Collins have had thirteen children, one of whom died in infancy, and five are living — Charles P., Clara W., Herschel D., Florence Amy, and Edith. Charles P. Collins is now president of a large oil company in Bradford, Pa., and is also a banker. He married Ida Merrill, of Caribou. Clara W. married for her first husband Milton D. Teague, who died in California; and she is now Mrs. Gries, wife of a real estate owner in that State. Florence Amy, who is the widow of the Rev. Charles Porter, a Congregational minister, is now superintendent of the Caribou public schools and secretary of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She has three children: Helen Porter, a teacher in the high school; Florence; and Charles Winslow Porter. Herschel D. Collins, who was born in 1860, is now in charge of his father's business. He married Freda Files, and their children are: Mary, Maud, Clara, and Samuel Wilson Collins, second. Edith married Charles Oak, of Caribou,

and has four children — Edson, Zelma, Gertrude, and Don. The other seven Collins children were: Frank, George, Vira, Francis, Edward, Sadie, and James Collins. Samuel Wilson Collins is a Master Mason and a charter member of the lodge in Caribou. In his religious belief he is a Universalist.

BLITHEEN S. HIGGINS, a thriving general merchant of Eden, Hancock County, and a member of the Board of Selectmen, was born in East Eden (now Bar Harbor), January 23, 1851, son of Albert F. and Charlotte W. (Mills) Higgins. The paternal grandfather was Henry Higgins, a resident of Eden, where he followed the blacksmith's trade during his active years, and died at the age of fifty-one. His wife's maiden name was Huldah Leland.

Albert F. Higgins, the father, was born in Eden. After serving an apprenticeship to the blacksmith's trade he followed it as a journeyman until 1866. He was the pioneer hotel-keeper at Bar Harbor, having built and conducted the Harbor House, the site of which is now occupied by the Grand Central Hotel. Selling out the house in the fall of 1875, he gave his attention thereafter to the care and development of some valuable shore property of his. He died in March, 1898, at the age of seventy-five years. Charlotte W. Higgins, his first wife, became the mother of three children; namely, Mary Jane, Blithen S., and Albert Loring Higgins. By his second marriage there were other children. Mary

Jane Higgins became the wife of Joseph E. Tripp, of Eden, and has one son, Blithen A. Albert L. married for his first wife Ella Furbush, who died childless. His present wife, who was before marriage Lettie Call, of Ellsworth, is the mother of three children—Mollie G., Esther, and an infant.

Having obtained his education in the district schools and at the East Maine Conference Seminary in Bucksport, Blithen S. Higgins worked at the blacksmith's trade until he was twenty-five years old. Beginning in 1878 he and his brother conducted a general merchandise store in Eden until 1886, when the partnership was dissolved. Since then he has successfully carried on the business alone, maintaining a large share of patronage.

Mr. Higgins is unmarried. In public affairs he is prominent and active, having been a member of the Board of Selectmen for the most of the time since 1881, and for a number of years serving as District Clerk. In politics he is a Republican, and he cast his first Presidential vote for U. S. Grant in 1872. An esteemed Mason, he belongs to the commandery of Knights Templar in Ellsworth; and he is also connected with the encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and with the Knights of Pythias.

WILLIAM H. BROWN, formerly of Anson, Somerset County, and a former proprietor of the Somerset House for many years, son of Josiah Brown, was born in Waterford, Oxford County. His parents, who

were both natives of Waterford, died in that town, having resided there during the greater part of their lives. Of their three children William H. was the youngest. His early opportunities for obtaining an education were limited to a short period of attendance at the common schools. At an early age he was obliged to become self-supporting. In 1840 he left Waterford and came to North Anson, acting as hostler and clerk at the Somerset House for Henry Stone, who, with Sherman W. Hapgood and Daniel S. Watson, had come here from Waterford several years before. Here he gave careful attention to his duties, and proved himself faithful in every way. Prudent and economical, he was able in 1843 to form a copartnership with Mr. Hapgood in the purchase and subsequent management of the hotel. Ten years later he became the sole proprietor. In 1864 he took Benjamin Hilton into partnership, after which the house was conducted for a quarter of a century by Brown & Hilton.

Mr. Brown was twice married. On the first occasion he wedded Miss Alareda Fletcher, a sister of Mr. Hapgood, his first partner. His second marriage was contracted with Miss Villa H. Felker, a native of Concord, Me. Born September 4, 1853, she is a daughter of Eben and Mary (Bean) Felker. Mr. Felker, a farmer by occupation, resided successively in Dover, N.H., and Concord, Me. Both he and his wife died in Concord. Mr. Brown was a staunch Republican in politics. Although not an aspirant to public office, his town sent him to the legislature in 1870. He

was a member of the Masonic lodge in North Anson. Both he and his wife were members of the Universalist church in that place. He died October 26, 1889. Beginning life as a poor boy, by energy and industry he won affluence and an honorable place in the community. Kind-hearted and sympathetic, he was always ready to lend his influence to any worthy cause. He was especially fond of children. Mrs. Brown resides in a pleasant and tastefully furnished cottage with Mrs. Hilton.

HENRY B. EATON, a member of the enterprising and well-known firm of Henry F. Eaton & Sons, of Calais, Washington County, was born April 16, 1852, in Milltown, N.B. He is a lineal descendant of one of the oldest families of New England, the founder of which, Jonas Eaton, came from England to America in 1642, and from that time until his death lived in Reading, Mass. More details respecting the family's ancestors will be found in the biography of George H. Eaton.

After leaving the district schools of Milltown, Mr. Eaton took a course of study at the Farmington Academy in Maine, and was afterward a student at Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass. On returning to his home from the latter institution he became interested in the business which his father had established so many years before, and in 1872 was admitted to the firm, which has since been known as Henry F. Eaton & Sons. This firm has been in some of the largest lumber enter-

prises in this section of the country. Besides owning two hundred and twenty thousand acres of timber lands on the St. Croix River, it is largely interested in various lines of shipping along the coast. The junior members of the firm, G. H. and H. B. Eaton, own two hundred and twenty square miles of timber limits in Quebec. Large though their undertakings are, the brothers are fully competent to manage them.

Henry B. Eaton is a director of both the St. Croix Shoe Company and the Calais Tanning Company. He is likewise a trustee of the Calais Academy and the president of the Eaton Rifle Club. On February 8, 1883, he married Miss Emma J., daughter of James Murchie, of Calais. He attends and supports the Congregational church.

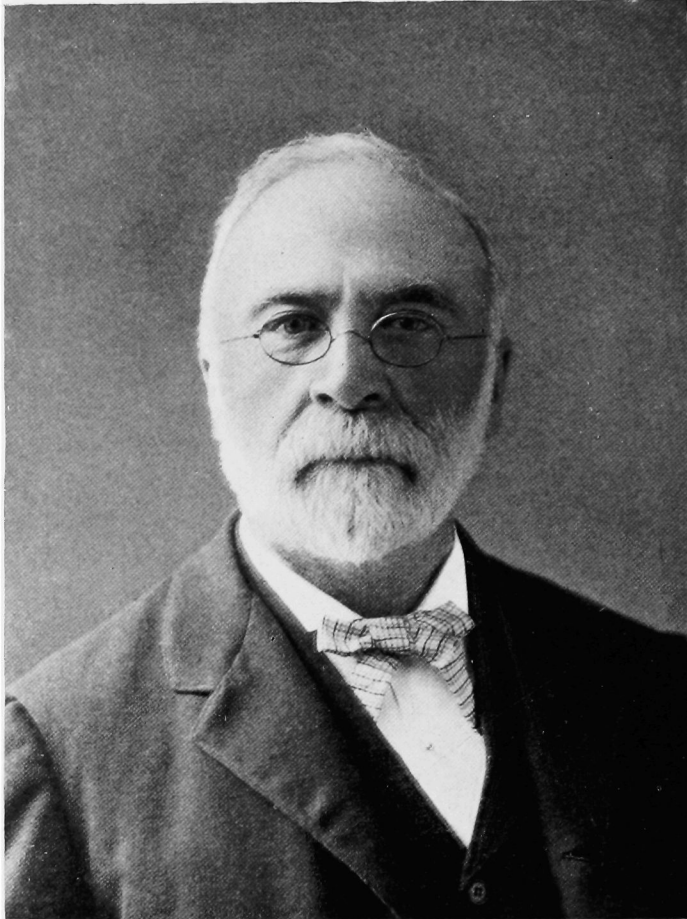
HENRY B. DARLING, a representative man of Blue Hill, Hancock County, the only son living of Colonel Byron W. and Evelyn (Erskine) Darling, was born in this town, September 4, 1846. The great-grandfather, Jonathan Darling, who was born in Andover, Mass., on July 14, 1741, was one of the first six settlers in Blue Hill, to which he came in 1762. He settled at "The Falls," all the land in that vicinity being then virgin territory. Later he moved to the east side of the bay. There he obtained a section of land, built a log house, and gradually cleared a sufficient acreage for a comfortable homestead, on which he spent the remaining years of his life. He

fought at the siege of Louisburg in 1758, enlisting when only eighteen years of age, and also in the War of the Revolution. He died February 6, 1828. His wife, Hannah, was a daughter of Nicholas Holt, of Andover, Mass., who was one of the early settlers in Blue Hill. Jedidiah Darling, grandfather of Henry B., born at Blue Hill, lived here all his lifetime on the farm his father had cleared. He was a soldier in the War of 1812. His death occurred at the age of seventy-five. His wife, Lydia Stinson Darling, was a native of Deer Island.

Colonel Byron W. Darling, born in Blue Hill on September 23, 1813, was for many years a successful school teacher, much of his teaching being done during the winter. Beginning at the age of eighteen he taught for thirty-nine terms in the public schools, besides being the master of several singing-schools. Taking an active interest in military affairs, he commanded the First Regiment of the old Maine militia, and at the time of the Aroostook War had charge of the Blue Hill militia. He, together with his father and brothers, was among the first to form a company for developing the granite industry at Blue Hill. After the death of his father the Colonel engaged in cemetery granite work. Fond of historical research and taking a particular interest in this district, he contributed letters to the newspapers of this section for several years, containing many interesting facts regarding the early days of Blue Hill and the family history of its settlers. The Colonel was a member of the Board of Selectmen and

for several terms a member of the School Committee. He also represented the town in the legislature, and for eight years was the Coroner of Hancock County. For fourteen years, under Richard Tinker and John R. Redman, he was Deputy Sheriff; and for four years, during President Buchanan's administration, he was Deputy Collector of Customs at Castine. He died in his seventy-eighth year, his clear intellect remaining with him to the last. His wife, Evelyn, bore him six children—Georgianna, Henry B., and four that died in infancy. Georgianna, who married Hiram G. Closson, is the mother of one daughter, Carrie G., who married a Mr. Barnard, now of Lanpahoehoe, an island a few days' sail from Honolulu.

Henry B. Darling attended the district schools and later Blue Hill Academy. Subsequently he was employed as clerk in a general store for some six years. At the end of that time he became a member of the firm of Chase & Co. When this firm was dissolved five years after, he went into business alone, and conducted it for the ensuing five years. Then for the succeeding four years he was book-keeper for a firm in Bangor. From Bangor he returned to Blue Hill, where he has since resided. His first marriage was contracted with Louise B. Walker, whose only son by him, William W., is now married and resides in Roxbury, Mass. His second marriage united him with Lizzie Hibbard, of Union, Me. Mr. Darling has been Postmaster for five years and Selectman of the town for six years. He belongs to the order of the



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twenty years he has been a member of the firm William Buck & Co., whose store is now the oldest apothecary establishment in Piscataquis County, and who carry a full line of medicines, chemicals, toilet goods, fancy articles, stationery, etc. Dr. Buck is an earnest supporter of the Republican party, and has figured prominently in public affairs. At one time he was a member of the School Board. He has also served as chairman of the Board of Selectmen, has been County Treasurer and Representative to the legislature, and for the past twenty-five years he has held the position of United States Medical Examiner in pension cases. An esteemed Mason, he is connected with the local Blue Lodge and the Piscataquis Royal Arch Chapter. He is also a member of the Maine Medical Society, of the United States Veterans' Union, and of Doughty Post, G. A. R.

Dr. Buck married Evelyn D. Morse, who was born in Monson, Me., daughter of Orrin and Lucy Morse. Mrs. Buck has had six children, two of whom are living, namely: Guy M., who is first lieutenant on the United States steamship "Lebanon"; and Anna S. Buck, who resides in Foxcroft. The others were: Lizzie S., Emily D., Hattie, and Mary H.

LEWIS ANDERSON, an extensive woollen manufacturer of Skowhegan, and president of the Lakeside Worsted Mills at East Madison, is a native of Menstrie, Scotland. He learned the woollen manufacturing business at Galashiels in his

native country. Coming to the United States in 1854, he first found employment here in Saugus, Mass., and subsequently in Lawrence. He later became master weaver in a mill at North Andover, and after working in other parts of New England was appointed superintendent of a large factory in West Troy, N. Y., where he remained for nine years. On February 1, 1875, he began business in Skowhegan upon a small scale, subsequently enlarging his plant as circumstances warranted. At the present time his factory contains ten sets of machinery, which operate fifty-two looms; and he manufactures a superior quality of cassimeres, broadcloths, and other goods. Mr. Anderson is a director of the Madison Woollen Company, of Madison; a director of the Somerset Traction Company; president of the Skowhegan Water Power Company; president of the Maine Woollen Manufacturers' Club; and a director of the National Association of Woollen Manufacturers and of the Home Market Club. When the McKinley Tariff Bill was in process of construction, he was selected by the Woollen Manufacturers' Club to go before the Ways and Means Committee at Washington for the purpose of securing satisfactory rates, and appeared before the committee for the same purpose in 1897. Upon both occasions his efforts were crowned with success. A member of the Masonic order, he belongs to Somerset Lodge, Somerset Chapter, Mount Moriah Council, and De Molay Commandery, K. T. He attends the Island Avenue Congregational Church.

Mr. Anderson married Miss Martha Jane

Whinery, of North Andover, Mass., a native of Barnet, Vt. He has a son, Thomas Henry Anderson, who is superintendent of the wool-len-mill in Skowhegan; and a daughter, Miss Sarah Jane, who is residing at home with her parents.

SHELDON H. BEAL, third Select-man of Cornville, Somerset County, and one of the largest fruit-growers of this region, was born February 7, 1864, in Skowhegan, Me., the only son of Horace and Elvira (Horn) Beal.

Horace Beal was born March 13, 1832, in Avon, Me., where his father, Sheldon Beal, who removed thither from Shapleigh, York County, was a well-known farmer. Horace grew to manhood on the parental homestead, living there until 1851, when he started for California, hoping to find in the gold fields of the Sierra inexhaustible wealth. He worked in the mines three years, and then returned to his native State, fully persuaded that more satisfactory results could be obtained by carefully cultivating its rocky soil. He subsequently began his married life on a farm in Skowhegan, residing there until 1879, when, on October 10, he settled on what is known as Hilton Hill in Cornville, the present home of his widow and son. He was successfully engaged in farming until his decease, July 7, 1889. He held at that time the office of Selectman. His wife, formerly Elvira Horn, was born in Skowhegan, September 8, 1835, a daughter of Joseph and Rachel (Malborn) Horn, her father being a prominent farmer of

that town. Their union was blessed by the birth of two children, namely: Minnie, born May 3, 1862, now wife of William Lord, a clerk in the Fuller drug store at Skowhegan; and Sheldon H., whose personal history is given below.

Sheldon H. Beal has always lived at home, and since the death of his father has had the full control of the home farm of two hundred and sixty acres. In addition to raising the crops common to this part of the country, he does a good deal of dairy work, but makes fruit-raising his principal business. He has nearly two thousand apple-trees in a bearing condition, and in 1896 harvested nearly one thousand eight hundred bushels of apples, an average yield of this fruit. He is recognized as one of the leading farmers of Somerset County, and is now one of the trustees of the Somerset Central Agricultural Society of Skowhegan. He is at present third Select-man of the town, and has also served as Con- stable and Collector one year. In politics he affiliates with the Republican party. He is a member of Quinnebassett Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 34, of Skowhegan, and of the Skowhegan Grange; and he attends the Methodist Episco- pal church of that place. His aunt, Miss Sarah Jane Horn, now makes her home with him and his mother.

GEORGE W. BRACY, a retired fisher- man of Mount Desert, Hancock County, was born in this town, January 31, 1826, son of John and Berila P. (Pendleton)

Bracy. The paternal grandfather, John Bracy, was an early settler in Kittery, Me., and a Revolutionary patriot. It is told of him that he occupied a post of duty near the spot from which General Washington observed the evacuation of Boston by the British. He received a pension from the government, and lived to the advanced age of ninety-eight years.

John Bracy, son of the preceding John, born in York, Me., January 22, 1761, was one of the first settlers on the front, or ocean side, of Mount Desert Island, which was then inhabited by friendly Indians. Having cleared a farm from the wilderness, he tilled the soil for the rest of his active life. He died on February 1, 1852, in his ninety-second year. His wife, Berila, was a member of the Pendleton family, many of whose sons have been, and are still, master mariners, hailing from Islesboro and Searsport, Me. She became the mother of eight children, three of whom are living, namely: Priscilla, who has never married, and resides at the homestead, aged eighty-six years; David, a resident of Otter Creek; and George W., the subject of this sketch. The others were: John, Elsie, Eliza J., James, and William P., all of whom were lifelong residents of Mount Desert.

George W. Bracy attended school in Mount Desert. When old enough he engaged in the fishing industry, which he followed for many years. Retiring from that arduous calling in 1885, he erected a new and substantial set of buildings upon a part of his property on the west side of Seal Harbor, one hundred acres of which he has advantageously sold to summer

residents. He contracted the first of his two marriages with Susan Clement, of Bucksport, Me. She died leaving one daughter, Hattie M., who is now the wife of Captain C. L. Lynam. The second marriage was made with Mary T. Garland, of Castine, Me. Mr. Bracy is a member of the Masonic order. He cast his first Presidential vote for Zachary Taylor in 1848, and he has been a Republican since the formation of the party. The community has had his services in the capacity of Justice of the Peace for over thirty years.

JOHN W. RUSSELL, one of the veteran farmers of Danforth, Washington County, son of James and Sarah (Decker) Russell, was born in Canaan, Me., May 13, 1818. His parents were both natives of this State. The paternal grandfather, Luther Russell, who was an early settler in Canaan, cleared from the wilderness a good farm, which he cultivated for the rest of his life.

James Russell was reared in Canaan. After his marriage he removed from that town, and settled as a pioneer at Lambert Lake. Here, locating upon one hundred acres of unimproved land, he cleared it for agricultural purposes. An industrious farmer in the other three seasons, he spent the winter season in lumbering. He served as a soldier in the War of 1812. In politics he was a Democrat. At his death he was seventy-four years old, and his wife died at sixty-four. Both were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Of their eleven

children, six are living, namely: Mrs. Abigail Tewksbury, of Minnesota; John W., the subject of this sketch; Mrs. Harriet S. Killinger, Joshua, James L., and Mrs. Lucinda Smart, all of whom reside in Danforth.

John W. Russell grew to manhood in Washington County. As there was no organized school system at that time, he had little or no educational advantages. He resided at home until twenty-one years old. Then upon the St. Croix River he engaged in lumbering, which, together with farming, has been his chief occupation throughout the greater part of his active life. Some fifty years ago he settled upon one hundred acres of wild land, purchased of E. T. Prentiss. Since then without assistance he has not only cleared the entire tract for tillage purposes, but has kept it up to a high standard of fertility and made various other improvements. At the age of twenty-two years he married Mary Ann Jacobs, a native of Ireland. There being no offspring of their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Russell reared and educated three adopted children, and gave to each a good start in life. Mr. Russell is a Democrat in politics. Both he and Mrs. Russell are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

IVORY LOWE, M.D., a well-known physician of Canaan, Somerset County, was born in Mercer, this county, March 2, 1836, son of Ephraim and Hannah (Kaime) Lowe. The father, who was a native of Sanford, Me., settled in Mercer about the year 1825, and was engaged in farming and carpentering until his death, which occurred February 1, 1859.

The mother, who was born in Barnstead, N.H., had twelve children, namely: James K. Lowe, who died in December, 1882; William L., also deceased; Ephraim, who died in 1886; Abbie, who died June 22, 1862; John K., who died in Worcester, Mass., July 16, 1880; Timothy S., now a roadmaster for the Boston & Maine Railroad, residing in Ballardvale, Mass.; Samuel K., who died January 18, 1878; Joseph P., who died in Wilton, Ia., in 1870; Benjamin, who died in Stark, Me., in 1833, aged seventeen months; Benjamin, second, who resides in Oakland, Cal., and is a leader among the Spiritualists of that locality; Ivory Lowe, M.D., the subject of this sketch; and Lucy H., who is the widow of Seth W. Holbrook, late of Norridgewock, Me. The mother died May 20, 1869.

Having attended the common schools of Mercer for the usual period and completed a course in the academy at Waterville, Ivory Lowe began the study of medicine. He attended lectures at the Maine Medical School in Brunswick and at the Albany (N.Y.) University, graduating from the latter in December, 1862. Locating for practice in Stark, he remained there for three months. Early in 1863 he established himself in Canaan, where he has since resided. In this town he has found ample opportunity for the exercise of his skill as a physician, which is highly spoken of. Now his practice extends over a wide circuit, including the towns of Canaan, Skowhegan, Pittsfield, Hartland, Cornville, and Clinton. On September 11, 1864, he married

Philena K. Pattee, who was born in Mercer, July 14, 1843, daughter of Asa and Clarissa (Leathers) Pattee. Asa Pattee, a native of Norridgewock, was at one time a merchant in Smithfield, Me.; but the greater part of his life was spent in Mercer. He died in March, 1849, and his wife in August, 1863. Dr. Lowe keeps in touch with advanced ideas in medicine. What little time he has been able to spare from his practice has been devoted to travel with his wife, visiting the Pacific slope twice and spending two years in Pomona, Cal. He has served with ability on the School Board in the capacity of Supervisor of Schools, and is now chairman of the Board of Health. In politics he is a Democrat. He is a member of Carabasset Lodge, No. 161, F. & A. M.

THOMAS J. FITZMAURICE, M.D., a successful physician of Houlton, Aroostook County, Me., engaged in general practice, also of late years doing special work on diseases of the eye, ear, nose, and throat, is a native of New Brunswick. Son of John and Mary (Schools) Fitzmaurice, he was born on his father's farm on Tower Hill, St. David, Charlotte County, N.B., September 8, 1850. He is a representative of the third generation of his branch of the family in America.

The heads of the Fitzmaurice family, the Earls of Kerry, of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, traced their origin to a common ancestor in the direct line with the houses of Fitzgerald, Carew, Windsor, McKenzie, and

others. Edward Fitzmaurice, the Doctor's grandfather, who was born in Kerry, Ireland, in or near 1780, was an officer in the British army. He died about the year 1848 at Rolling Dam, N.B., on a farm which was granted him by the government.

John Fitzmaurice, son of Edward and father of Dr. Fitzmaurice, was born in 1824 on the island of Jamaica, West Indies, where his father was stationed for some time. While yet quite young he came with his father to reside on the farm at Rolling Dam, remaining there until twenty-two years of age. This was in 1846. He then married Mary Schools, daughter of Thomas and Lydia (McAllister) Schools. She was born in 1826 on Tower Hill, St. David, N.B., and lived with her parents on the home farm till her marriage. Her father was a native of Londonderry, Ireland, and her mother a native of Oak Bay, Charlotte County, N.B. John Fitzmaurice settled on a farm on Tower Hill, St. David, and there made his home until his death, which occurred on February 10, 1886. In politics he was a liberal, in religion Roman Catholic.

Thomas J. Fitzmaurice, after receiving his elementary education in the common schools of his native place, attended the high schools at St. Stephen, N.B., and at Calais, Me. He lived on the parental farm until 1874, when he left home to fit himself for the profession that he had chosen for his life work. Entering Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, Pa., he pursued a three years' course of study, and was graduated a Doctor of Medicine in

1877. Establishing himself in Houlton the same year, he has here been in active practice ever since, with the exception of two years that he spent in travelling extensively throughout the United States and Mexico. Aiming to keep step with the progress of medical science in this rapidly advancing age, in 1881 he attended a course of lectures at the University of New York; and since that time he has taken five courses of instruction at the New York Post-graduate Medical School, while for the past three years he has been doing special work on diseases of the ear, eye, and throat. Through his efforts a charter has been granted for a hospital to be located here, to be known as the Meduxnekeag Hospital. To carry out this philanthropic movement a company has been organized, of which Dr. Fitzmaurice, the prime mover, has been chosen president.

In politics the Doctor is a Democrat, in religion a Roman Catholic. He is a member of the fraternal order, Knights of Columbus. He is unmarried.

HON. AUGUSTUS RUFUS BIXBY, of Skowhegan, Somerset County, who was a member of the Executive Council under Governor Robie and one of the Columbian Exposition Commissioners, was born in Norridgewock, this county, December 17, 1832, son of Deacon Rufus and Betsey (Weston) Bixby. Both maternal and paternal ancestors of his took part in the early Colonial wars and in the Revolution. No less than ten members of the Bixby family were commis-

sioned officers in the struggle for independence, while other Bixbys for several generations were Deacons of the Congregational church. His paternal great-grandfather, who resided in Worcester County, Massachusetts, married a Miss Bond, of Philadelphia. Solomon Bixby, his grandfather, was one of the early settlers in Norridgewock, Me., where he became an extensive farmer and fruit-grower, and was a member of the first Board of Selectmen, in which capacity he afterward served for a number of years. Deacon Rufus Bixby was a pioneer of Norridgewock, where he reclaimed and converted into an orchard a large tract of land. He served in the militia during the War of 1812. Following the example of his predecessors, he was active in religious work in connection with the Congregational society of Norridgewock. His wife, Betsey, was a daughter of Deacon Benjamin Weston, who was a pioneer of Madison, Me.

Possessing a natural capacity for acquiring knowledge, Augustus Rufus Bixby easily mastered the common branches of study taught in the town schools. Afterward he taught in the district schools of his neighborhood for a time. Then his education was continued in the Bloomfield Academy until he graduated in 1852. He now found employment as a clerk in the general store of Eben H. Neal, Skowhegan. On leaving that position in 1856, he set out for California, where he spent the ensuing twelve months in prospecting. During the succeeding six years he was mining in different parts of the State. In the fall of 1863 he returned to Maine after an absence



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of nearly seven years. He spent the following winter in Washington, D.C., where he tried to enlist, but failed on account of a serious asthmatic trouble from which he has been a sufferer since childhood. In the spring of 1864 he went to Minnesota, where he and his brother engaged in a promising wheat business. Shortly after, on finding that the climate of the North-west was aggravating his lung trouble, he sold his interest and returned to Skowhegan. In 1865 he engaged in the drug and book business, which proved profitable from the start. Six years after he received into partnership Frederick R. Buck, with whom he has since been associated. He was one of the ten incorporators of the Skowhegan Water Works; a promoter of the Skowhegan Electric Light Company, of which he was the treasurer and collector for twelve years; a director and the acting treasurer of the Skowhegan & Norridgewock Electric Railway Company until a severe illness in 1896 compelled him to resign.

In politics Mr. Bixby is an earnest supporter of the Republican party. As a member of Governor Robie's Council during the latter's last term, he served in the Committees on Warrants, State Prison and Pardons, Military Affairs, and Pay Roll. He was also a member of the committee charged with visiting the insane hospital, and was the chairman of the Committees upon Indian Affairs and Election Returns. In 1890 President Harrison appointed him a Commissioner of the World's Columbian Exposition. During his three years' labor in behalf of that enterprise

he was the chairman of the national Committee on Fish and Fisheries, and served with credit upon the Committees on Horticulture, Floriculture, and Finance; also, as the chairman of the Maine State Building Committee he rendered efficient service in planning and erecting the Maine Building, which was composed of granite selected under his personal direction from every quarry in the State. He is connected with Somerset Lodge, F. & A. M.; Somerset Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and De Molay Commandery, Knights Templar. For the past thirty years he has been an active member of the Congregational church, and he was the superintendent of its Sunday-school for twenty-five years in succession. A person who has enjoyed a long and intimate acquaintance with Mr. Bixby wrote of him as follows: "From his father he inherited his extraordinary executive ability, clear and unshaken judgment, and love for horticulture; from his mother, strong intellect and vitality, and a generous and sensitive nature; and from both, sterling principles, industrious and irreproachable habits, godly reverence, and hearty zeal for the good of his fellow-townsmen." The *Press*, of Portland, reporting the proceedings of the Republican State Convention held there in 1888, said of him: "He is a man of a wonderful amount of energy and a great deal of public spirit. He makes everything that he takes hold of boom, and is always good-natured about it." By his marriage with Sarah H. Spaulding, of Skowhegan, Mr. Bixby has an only daughter, who is a graduate of the high school.

FON. VORANUS L. COFFIN, State Councillor, an ex-member of the Maine Senate and the principal of the firm V. L. Coffin & Son, general merchants of Harrington, Washington County, was born in Addison, this State, October 3, 1831. A son of Simeon and Rebecca (Nash) Coffin, he is a grandson of John Coffin, who was one of the first settlers of Addison. The father, born in Addison, who spent his life in that town and in Harrington, and died in the latter place at the age of eighty-three years, was a surveyor by profession, and at one time was in the hotel business.

Voranus L. Coffin's early manhood was spent in Harrington, and he attended the schools here and one in Waterville. After completing his studies he engaged in teaching for some years. Then he followed the sea for a time. Just prior to the breaking out of the Civil War he engaged in business in this town. The call to arms, however, took him away from mercantile pursuits, and he enlisted as a private in Company B, Thirty-first Maine Regiment, was commissioned Second Lieutenant, promoted to First Lieutenant, and returned in command of his company. He was taken prisoner, and spent nine months in Libby and other rebel prisons. At the close of the war, when he received an honorable discharge, he came back to Harrington, and engaged in ship-building in the firm of Ramsdell, Rumball & Coffin. This firm carried on a successful business until 1876, when Mr. Coffin bought out the other partners, and conducted the place for several years alone.

Although he has since abandoned ship-building, he has retained an interest in shipping property. At the present time he owns a share in the now notorious "Herbert Fuller," on board of which occurred the triple murder for which Mate Thomas M. Bram has been tried and convicted. However, Mr. Coffin gives his chief attention to his store, which is said to be the leading establishment of the kind in Harrington to-day, and said to be carrying the largest stock of goods. The firm V. L. Coffin & Son was founded in 1883, previous to which time the elder Coffin had managed the business alone.

Mr. Coffin was married in 1854 to Christiana Wilson, a native of Harrington, born in September, 1835. Her parents, Samuel N. and Sophia Wilson, were early settlers of Harrington. Mr. Coffin's children are: Charles A., Edwin V., and Alphonso J. Charles A., who was born in this town, July 13, 1856, was educated in the schools here and in the Eastern Maine Seminary at Bucksport. He has been engaged in a mercantile business all his working life, beginning as clerk in his father's store, and subsequently being taken into partnership. He has been a member of the Board of Selectmen for twelve years, for a portion of which time he has been the chairman. In 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, and 1892 he was a member of Governor Burleigh's staff. At the late fall election he was chosen as a member of the Maine State legislature. For about three years he acted as Supervisor of Schools. Fraternally, he is a member of Tuscan Lodge, No. 106, F. &

A. M., at Addison; of St. Elmo Commandery at Machias; and of the Order of Elks and the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company in Boston. His religious views are liberal. In politics he is a Republican. Edwin V. Coffin, the second son, who is a clerk in his father's store, was born in Harrington, December 5, 1866. His education was obtained in the schools here and in the Maine University at Orono. He married Frances Rumball, and is the father of three children — Edwina N., Francis, and Voranus L. His religious views are also liberal, and in politics he is a Republican. He has been a member of the School Board for a number of years. Alphonso J. Coffin, born June 13, 1869, was educated in the same institutions that his brother was, and resides in New York City, where he has charge of the office of the Fawcett Fire Proof Building Company. He is unmarried.

As might be expected from a man of such varied interests and of such wide experience, Mr. Coffin has taken an active part in the affairs of the town, and has served his townspeople in various official capacities. For the past twenty-five years he has been Town Treasurer and for a number of years Selectman. He has also held minor town offices. From 1880 to 1884 he was in the State Senate, and at the present time he is a member of Governor Powers's Council and also a director of the Washington County Railroad. In political life he has been an aggressive Republican. He is to-day a leading man in the county and respected by all who know him.

A Mason of high standing, he belongs to Narragausus Lodge and Dirigo Chapter, of Cherryfield; Bangor Council of R. & S. M.; St. Elmo's Commandery; Delta Lodge of Perfection and Princes of Jerusalem in Machias; Dunlap Chapter of the Rose Croix in Portland; and the Maine Consistory of S. P. R. S. He is also a comrade of Hiram Burnham Post, G. A. R., of Cherryfield, and a member of the Maine Commandery of the Loyal Legion.

F M E R C I E R & S O N S, a well-known lumber and general merchandise firm of Princeton, Washington County, consisting of Waldo W. and John B. Mercier, was founded by their father, Ferdinand Mercier. A native of Canada and of French ancestry, Ferdinand Mercier, when a young man, came to Princeton. Here he found ready employment, as his steady habits and upright character soon gained favor for him among the lumbermen of the locality. Ambitious and progressive by nature, he could not be content with a subordinate position for any great length of time. Eventually he embarked in the lumbering industry upon his own account, and later opened a general store. Afterward for many years he was one of the leading merchants and lumber manufacturers in this section. He continued in active business until his death, which occurred June 24, 1891. In religious belief he was a Congregationalist. He married Mary Haley, a native of Nova Scotia, who became the mother of nine children. Of

the latter, Waldo W., William F., Charlotte A., Nellie M., John B., Charles F., and Hattie P. are living. The others were: Emma and Bertha. The mother resides in Princeton. Since the death of her husband the business has been continued by his two sons, Waldo and John, under the firm name of F. Mercier & Sons. These young men are rapidly advancing to the front. Besides conducting the general store, which is well stocked with salable merchandise, they deal in box shooks and hemlock bark, and operate a saw-mill, a box-mill, and a grist-mill, employing an average of one hundred men.

Waldo W. Mercier, born in Princeton, December 27, 1861, was educated in his native town. Since he was old enough to be of use, he has been connected with the business he is now conducting. He married Nellie Crabtree, of Topsfield, and has one child, Dorothy.

John B. Mercier, who was born August 9, 1872, completed his education with a course at Shaw's Business College in Portland. Since 1891 he has been associated with his brother Waldo in business. He is a member of the Order of the Golden Cross. The Mercier brothers are Republicans in politics.

GEORGE MERRILL LANCEY, one of the most prominent merchants and business men of Hartland, Somerset County, was born in this town, November 18, 1861, son of George and Frances C. (Blake) Lancey. His father came from Palmyra to Hartland when a boy, and in early manhood engaged in

mercantile business, which he followed successfully for the rest of his life. George Lancey was an able and upright business man, widely known throughout this section, and possessing the esteem and confidence of his fellow-townsmen. He died in 1886. His wife, who was a daughter of the late Calvin Blake, M.D., of Hartland, became the mother of four children, namely: Blake, born in July, 1858, and now a travelling salesman residing in Toronto, Ont.; William H., born in May, 1860, who married Alice Flanders, of Hartland, is now a fish dealer in Lowell, Mass., and has one daughter, Florence M.; George M., the subject of this sketch; and Harry W., who was born in March, 1870, and died in May, 1874. The mother is no longer living.

George Merrill Lancey completed his schooling in Eaton, Middleboro, Mass. Then accepting a position as clerk at the Elm House, Auburn, Me., he remained there five years. For the succeeding three years he was employed as a travelling salesman by Lord Haskell & Co., of Portland. Later he was a book-keeper for Archibald Linn, the woollen manufacturer, one year. In 1886 he succeeded to the business formerly carried on by his father. He carries a large stock of dry goods, boots, shoes, and a varied assortment of other wares, including everything likely to be called for in a first-class general store; and he has a large and increasing patronage.

On October 1, 1886, Mr. Lancey married Annie C. Linn, a native of Scotland and a daughter of William Linn, formerly overseer in the Linn Woollen Mills in this town, but

now retired. Mr. and Mrs. Lancey have one daughter, Frances L., born November 5, 1888.

Mr. Lancey is treasurer of the Hartland & Pittsfield Telegraph and Telephone Company, and also cashier of the Hartland Branch of the Waterville Trust Company. In politics he is a Democrat, and has been Town Clerk since 1894. He is Worshipful Master of Corinthian Lodge, No. 91, F. & A. M.; and has been Recording Secretary of Hartland Lodge, No. 101, I. O. O. F., for nine years. He attends the Methodist Episcopal church.

HON. D. H. BARTLETT, a prosperous business man of Skowhegan and an ex-member of the Maine Senate, was born in Harmony, Somerset County, March 3, 1838. His parents were Cyrus and Sarah Ann (Butler) Bartlett. The first paternal ancestor of whom he has any record was Samuel Bartlett. Isaac, son of Samuel and great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was a native of Holden, Mass., but spent the greater part of his life in Marlboro. Asa Bartlett, son of Isaac, the next in this line, settled in Livermore, Me., and devoted his energies to farming. He had a family of five sons and two daughters. His son Ozias established the fulling-mill in Harmony.

Cyrus Bartlett, D. H. Bartlett's father, went to Harmony when a young man. He carried on business there for twenty-five or thirty years, and was Selectman and Town Treasurer for a number of terms. His wife,

Sarah Ann Butler, daughter of Henry Butler, of Nottingham, N.H., became the mother of five children, of whom three are now living.

Darius Hamlin Bartlett, the subject of this sketch, was the third-born. In the fall of 1858, at the age of twenty, Mr. Bartlett entered into business with Henry Bartlett, continuing until the spring of 1861, when Henry died, leaving the business of the firm to be settled by him. He soon after started for himself, and for years carried on the largest and most successful business in the county. In the spring of 1882 he sold out to H. W. Bartlett and John N. Longfellow; and in 1884 he went to Athens, where he carried on a successful business for four and one-half years. His health breaking down, he sold out in 1888, and moved to Skowhegan. In November, 1892, he, with two others, commenced business under the firm name of Cairns, Goodrich & Bartlett. On January 1, 1893, Goodrich retired from the firm, and the business was carried on under the name of Bartlett & Cairns until January, 1896, when the firm of Bartlett & Cairns were obliged to make an assignment for the benefit of their creditors. At the first meeting of the creditors it was decided to place the entire affairs of the firm in his hands for adjustment. At the expiration of a year Mr. Bartlett made final settlement with the creditors, continuing in business alone.

In 1868 he was appointed Postmaster. This office he held until he resigned in 1882. He was Town Clerk and Treasurer for many years. In 1871 he represented his district in

the legislature, and in 1877 and 1878 he was a member of the Senate.

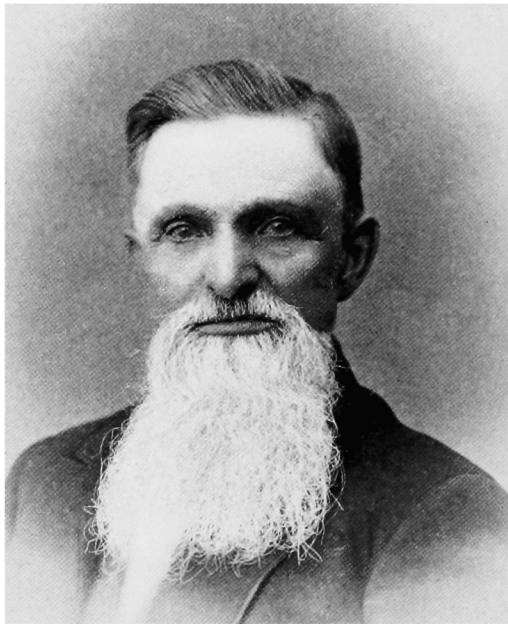
He was made a Mason in 1861, and is a member of Somerset Chapter, No. 15, R. A. Masons. He is also a member of the Patrons of Husbandry.

SHEPHERD FLETCHER, a well-known farmer of Parkman, Piscataquis County, son of William and Sarah (Marsh) Fletcher, was born in Stark, Somerset County, on February 20, 1826. His grandfather, also named William Fletcher, who was drowned in the Kennebec River, was one of the early settlers of the town of Bingham, Me. The father, born in Bingham, who was engaged in farming, died in Stark at an advanced age. His wife, a native of Anson, was about eighty years of age at her death.

Shepherd Fletcher grew to manhood in Stark. He began to work out at the age of thirteen, receiving six dollars a month for his services, which he duly paid over to his father until he reached his majority. When twenty-three years of age he bought some land in the town of Anson, making a partial payment and giving his note for the remainder. Some time after he purchased land in New Vineyard, where he afterward resided for twelve years. Since 1864 he has resided in Parkman. He owns a fine farm, and carries on general farming. In 1852 he was married to Annie B. Cutts, who, born in New Portland, Me., June 17, 1835, died on December 17,

1857. He was married a second time in 1858 to Mrs. Amanda W. Patten, who was born in Sumner, Oxford County, Me., on June 4, 1827, daughter of Jedidiah Thomas and Mercy (Tilson) Thomas. By her first marriage Mrs. Fletcher has two children: John W. Patten, born July 26, 1848, who now resides in Kingfield; and Rhoda A., born March 2, 1852, who resides in Sangerville. Mr. Fletcher has one daughter, Annie B., born in New Vineyard, November 27, 1857, who is now the wife of Adelbert S. Merrill. Mr. Fletcher is liberal in his religious views, while his wife is a Congregationalist. In politics he is a Democrat and a strong advocate of free trade. He has filled for two years the office of Town Treasurer, has been Collector for five years, and for three years has been a member of the Board of Selectmen, being the chairman of the board for two years.

ADELBERT S. MERRILL, a son-in-law and the partner of Shepherd Fletcher, was born in Parkman, July 6, 1859, son of Charles B. and Sarah M. (Soule) Merrill. The grandfather, Abner Merrill, born in Greene, was a soldier of the War of 1812. He came to Parkman when a young man, and there took up land, from which he cleared a farm. He lived to be seventy-two years of age. His wife, Abigail Stevens Merrill, was over eighty when she died. They were liberal in their religious opinions. In politics he was a Democrat. Charles B. Merrill, son of Abner and a na-



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tive of Parkman, was also a farmer. He succeeded to the Merrill homestead, where he still lives retired. In 1865 he was drafted for military service in the Civil War, but did not go to the war. He is a Republican in politics and liberal in his religious opinions. His wife, also a native of Parkman, has borne him eight children, of whom three sons are living. The latter are: Joseph Wallace, born on September 4, 1856, now residing in Parkman; Adelbert S., the subject of this biography; and Leander W. Merrill, born July 23, 1861, also residing in this town.

Adelbert S. Merrill grew to manhood in Parkman, receiving his early education in the town schools. He has followed the occupation of farming since his working life began. When a young man he worked out on different farms, giving his earnings to his father. After reaching his majority he worked at surveying for a time, being employed by the Bradstreet Company, of South Gardiner, Me. Subsequently he engaged in general farming. On April 14, 1883, he was united in marriage with Annie B. Fletcher. Since that time he has made his residence in Parkman, where he is associated with Mr. Fletcher in business. Messrs. Fletcher & Merrill carry on general farming, and are among the leading farmers of the town. They keep about one hundred head of sheep, and have a dairy of from six to eight cows.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill have no children. Mrs. Merrill is a member of the Baptist church; while her husband is not connected with any church organization. In politics he

is a Republican. Taking much interest in town affairs, he has been the chairman of the Board of Selectmen for eight years. Fraternally, he is a member of Mount Kineo Lodge, F. & A. M., at Guilford; of Shield Lodge, No. 12, A. O. U. W., at Sangerville; and of the P. of H., of Parkman.

LEVI LEIGHTON, a resident of Columbia Falls for many years, one of the leading business men of Eastern Maine, was born in the town of Columbia, September 18, 1818, being the second child of Moses and Prudence (Allen) Leighton. His paternal grandfather, Isaac Leighton, was born February 25, 1763. He was an early settler in Columbia, redeeming a farm here from the wilderness. His wife, whose maiden name was Mary Worster, was born February 28, 1767. They had a family of nine children; namely, Moses, Samuel, Daniel, Levi (first), Harrison T., Aaron, Lovisa, Sally, and Ann.

Moses Leighton, the father above mentioned, was born October 19, 1790. He was engaged during his active life in farming and lumbering. He died in Columbia, January 17, 1875. His wife was a daughter of Gideon and Susan (Rideout) Allen. Her parents also were early settlers of Columbia. They reared a family of nine children; namely, Obadiah, Abraham, Isaac, Nicholas, Jacob, Dolly, Polly, Hannah, and Prudence, who married Moses Leighton. Mrs. Prudence Leighton died at Columbia Falls, May 15, 1871, aged seventy-nine years. She was the mother of eleven children.

Levi Leighton in his boyhood and early youth attended the common schools of his native town. He then learned the ship-carpenter's trade and worked at it for a while, but, his right hand being injured by an axe, he was obliged to give up manual labor. In the spring of 1841 he entered Washington Academy at East Machias, and was fitted for a teacher. For a number of years after that he alternately taught school and pursued his studies at the academy. In the summer of 1848 he bought his first bill of goods in Boston, and started in trade in Columbia, opening a small retail store, which in winter, when he was teaching, his wife used to tend. Early in 1851 he built a store and settled down to a business life. In the autumn he wrote in his diary: "I have now a snug little house, a convenient little store, and some five or six hundred dollars' stock in trade, all paid for; and, more than all, my health is good and that of my family, a promising girl, Miss E. A. Tibbetts, and a little boy, Horace M. Leighton."

He took his brother Jason into partnership in 1854, and they built up a good business. In May, 1871, Mr. Leighton sold his share to his brother; and in 1872 he took his son into partnership and opened a general store at Columbia Falls under the firm name of L. Leighton & Son. This business also prospered. For a number of years Mr. Leighton kept a public house at Columbia Falls. He was also engaged in vessel building and lumbering.

Mr. Leighton was a Democrat in his early manhood, but is now affiliated with the Republican party. He had a seat in the State legis-

lature in 1854; was Town Treasurer twenty-one years; and has served as Selectman, Town Agent, School Supervisor, Assessor, Collector, Overseer of the Poor, and as Justice of the Peace and Quorum. In this latter capacity he has solemnized more than one hundred marriages. On religious subjects he holds liberal views. A man of strong mental gifts and decided opinions, he is widely known and highly respected. He has written and published his autobiography, and has given several public talks on vital subjects.

He was married May 7, 1846, to Mrs. Lucy C. Wass Tibbetts, eldest daughter of Levi Wass and widow of John C. Tibbetts. Mr. Tibbetts was drowned in Machias River, May 7, 1843. He left one daughter, Emvesta A., born June 27, 1842. Mr. and Mrs. Leighton celebrated their golden wedding in May, 1896. They reside near the store at Columbia Falls. Their son, Horace M., was born in Columbia, April 14, 1850. Taken into partnership by his father in 1872, as noted above, he is now active manager of the store, which, since 1894, has been conducted in the name of the Columbia Falls Packing Company. This company was organized in 1875 by some of the leading men of the locality, Horace M. Leighton among the number. It controls the leading enterprise of the town — canning blueberries — and employs every year directly or indirectly from two hundred to three hundred people. Thousands of cases of canned blueberries are annually sent from here to all parts of the United States. Horace M. Leighton, with his father, did an extensive

business in ship-building from 1872 to 1883, and they are now financially interested in ten vessels.

Horace M. Leighton was married May 4, 1872, to Maggie L. Wass, of Addison, Me., daughter of Captain Moses L. Wass, a member of one of the old and honored families of Washington County. Mr. and Mrs. Horace M. Leighton have three children: Lucy May, born July 3, 1879; Frank Horace, born August 10, 1881; and Josephine Wass, born June 15, 1885. Horace M. Leighton is a Republican. He has served on the Columbia Falls Board of Selectmen for fifteen years, presiding twelve years of that time as chairman; and he has held many other town offices. He was in the State legislature in the winters of 1892, 1893, 1894, and 1895. He is a member of Tuscan Lodge, No. 106, F. & A. M., at Addison Point; Dirigo Chapter, R. A. M., at Cherryfield; and St. Elmo Commandery and the Lodge of Perfection at Machias. In religious belief he is liberal.

WILLIAM H. SARGENT, a former business man of Castine, Hancock County, now retired, was born in Sedgwick, Me., February 4, 1818. A son of Captain Benjamin C. and Susannah (Cole) Sargent, he traces his descent to William Sargent, who received a land grant at Gloucester, Mass., in 1649. This ancestor married Abigail Clark, a daughter of Edmund Clark. A grant of land was also given to the family of his son, who lost his life in the public service. Dr.

Thomas Sargent, the grandfather of William H., born in Gloucester, October 19, 1739, served as an officer in the Revolutionary War. It is related of him that in 1779 he accompanied an expedition under the command of Captain Saltonstall to Penobscot Bay for the purpose of recovering possession of Castine, which was then occupied by the British, and that the party was partially successful in a daring attempt to land for the purpose of cooperating with the force under Captain Lovell. After the close of the war he returned to Gloucester, and resided there for the rest of his life. The maiden names of his successive wives were Lucy and Jemima Haskell. He was the father of seventeen children, nine by his first union and eight by his second.


Captain Benjamin C. Sargent, who was a native of Gloucester, during the War of 1812 commanded the fort in the harbor of Castine. He moved to Sedgwick in 1816, and there followed the trade of shoemaker for a number of years. Afterward he cleared a tract of new land for agricultural purposes, and died in the town of Brooklin, Me., October 26, 1855, at the age of seventy years. Besides serving in various town offices and acting as a Justice of the Peace, he acquired considerable local reputation for his skill in extracting teeth. He married Susannah Cole, of Wenham, Mass., a daughter of Thomas and Susan (Cleaves) Cole, who moved from Massachusetts to Sedgwick prior to their daughter's wedding. Benjamin and Susannah Sargent were the parents of eleven children; namely, Benjamin C., Wyer G., John O., Sarah J., William H., Lucius

B., Thomas C., A. P. Sargent, Mary M., Jasper N., and George M. Sargent. Of these, Benjamin C., John O., Sarah J., and Lucius B. are no longer living. The first death among them did not occur until the youngest had reached the age of fifty-three years.

Having been educated in the district schools, William H. Sargent learned the shoemaker's trade, and afterward followed it for a time. Later engaging in business as a house and ship-carpenter at Sargentville, he erected many of the buildings in that village. He also kept a store there, which he subsequently sold to W. G. Sargent & Son. Moving to Castine in 1870, he purchased a half-interest in a ship-yard. When Castine began to acquire its popularity as a summer resort, he bought seventy acres of desirable land, and afterward sold it in cottage lots. In 1879 he built a store and engaged in trade under the firm name of Sargent & Son. Although he has retired from active business, he still retains a financial interest in that concern. He is also part owner of the steamboat wharf, and is the proprietor of other valuable real estate.

By his first marriage, which was contracted with Mary Redman, of Brooksville, Me., Mr. Sargent became the father of four children — Eleanor W., Mary J., William G., and Hattie A. Hattie died young. Eleanor W. married Captain Herbert Sargent, of Portland, and has one daughter, Hattie. Mary J. married Dr. Grindle, of Blue Hill, Me., and died leaving one daughter, Lena S. Grindle. William G. first married Flora Herrick, of Brooklin, Me., by whom he has two children — Guy H. and

Florence Sargent. His second marriage was made with Lillian Roberts, of Boston, Mass. Mr. Sargent cast his first Presidential vote for Martin Van Buren in 1840, and has been identified with the Republican party in Hancock County since its formation. He has served with ability as legislative Representative and County Commissioner, was a member of the Executive Council under Governor Morrill, was Collector of Customs at the port of Castine for sixteen years, and has acted as a Justice of the Peace. While affiliated with the Masonic order and the Sons of Temperance, he is a member of the Calvinist Baptist Church of Sedgwick, Me.

 TIS M. HILTON, of Anson, Somerset County, an enterprising and prosperous agriculturist and a former Selectman of the town, was born here, September 11, 1845. A son of Joshua Hilton, he is a grandson of Benjamin and Betsey (Manter) Hilton, who were early settlers of Anson, and of whom further information will be found in the biography of John M. Hilton. Joshua Hilton is an old resident of Anson township. While residing in Stark he purchased the property formerly belonging to William Manter, and for many years was successfully engaged in clearing and cultivating the land. Of late years he has lived retired. His wife, whose maiden name was Susan Moore, died September 5, 1888. She bore him five children, of whom three are deceased — two infants and Luke, who lived but seven years.

The survivors are: Otis M. and Joshua Hilton, Jr. The latter, a resident of Norridgewock, married Miss Georgia Waite, of New Sharon, Me.

Having been educated in the common schools of Anson, Otis M. Hilton, following in the footsteps of his ancestors, chose farming as his occupation. He remained at home, assisting his father on the homestead, until 1868. Then he removed to Norridgewock, where he resided for a time. Returning again to Anson, he settled on his present property, the farm bought by his father in 1856, known as the old Manter farm. He has now about two hundred acres of finely improved land, with commodious and conveniently arranged buildings. In bringing his estate to its present fine condition he has worked unceasingly, sparing neither time nor strength. It is one of the most attractive places in this vicinity. He carries on general farming, and also conducts a profitable milk business, running a wagon daily to Madison and Anson.

Mr. Hilton was married September 27, 1865, to Miss Maria Athearn. Born in Stark, Somerset County, January 4, 1848, she is a daughter of Robert and Martha (Beckwith) Athearn, late of Stark, where they were well-known farming people. Mr. and Mrs. Hilton have four children, as follows: Granville B., a resident of Charlestown, Mass., born March 23, 1867, who married Miss Nettie Wellman, of Augusta, Me.; Susie M., born May 18, 1870, who resides in Boston; Wilbur, born March 12, 1872, who lives at home; and Marion, born January 19, 1887. Mr. Hilton

is a staunch adherent of the Democratic party, and has served his second term as a Selectman of the town. He is a member of Indian Spring Lodge, No. 115, I. O. O. F., of Madison.

MOSSES BURPEE, a well-known civil engineer residing in Houlton, was born February 25, 1847, in Sheffield, Sunbury County, N.B. He comes of Huguenot stock, being a descendant of a family that was driven from France by religious persecution to Yorkshire, England, whence the emigrant ancestor came to America at an early day, and settled in Massachusetts. One of his more immediate progenitors removed from New England to Sheffield, N.B., in Colonial days, and, taking up a tract of land in that town, thenceforward made it his home.

George Burpee during the early part of his life was engaged in farming and conducted a lumber-mill. To him and his wife, whose maiden name was Phoebe Burpee, six children were born, namely: David H., who lives on the old homestead; George F., now a resident of Vancouver, B.C.; Tyler C., who died at the age of five years; Moses, the subject of this sketch; Louisa, widow of the late J. B. Hawes, who resides in New Rochelle, N.Y.; and Tyler C., second, who was a division engineer, and had the supervision of some of the most difficult work in the building of the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad, and is now an assistant engineer on the Intercolonial Railway at Moncton, N.B.

Moses Burpee acquired his early education in the public schools of Sunbury County, where his natural aptitude for drawing, mathematics, and mechanics was encouraged and developed by his instructors and friends. Soon after leaving school he went to Philadelphia to work in a machine shop. While there he availed himself of the educational privileges offered him by attending the winter evening sessions of the Franklin and Polytechnic Institutes for four terms. On his return to New Brunswick he worked for a time on the Fredericton Branch Railway, then in process of construction; was next rodman in the construction of the European & North American road; and then under Mr. Nichols was assistant engineer on same road in Maine between Vanceboro and Danforth and afterward on the New Brunswick Railway, between Fredericton and Grand Falls. Mr. Burpee then went West, and was with the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway in Dakota and Iowa from 1879 to 1884 with the exception of the season of 1883, which was spent on the construction of the Canadian Pacific east of the Rocky Mountains, when he returned to New Brunswick to make surveys for the Central Railway, on which he was engaged until autumn, when he took charge of a survey of a portion of the Short Line across the State of Maine between Mattawamkeag and Moosehead Lake. The following year, 1885, he was made chief engineer of the maintenance department of the New Brunswick Railway, and had charge of tracks, bridges, and buildings during the whole of Mr. Cram's management,

and continued in the same position after the lease of the New Brunswick Railway to the Canadian Pacific Railway under Mr. Timmerman, general superintendent for the latter company, another year, with addition of one hundred and sixty miles more of the road, his circuit being extended to Megantic, Quebec. In June, 1891, Mr. Burpee, whose study and experience fitted him for the difficult task, began surveys through the unbroken wilderness, in many parts, for the Bangor & Aroostook Railway, which is one of the finest roads in the State, and of which he has since been the chief engineer. He also in 1874 surveyed the New Brunswick Railway to Fort Fairfield and thence to Caribou.

On March 4, 1880, Mr. Burpee married Miss Caroline Alexander, a daughter of John Alexander, of Sunbury County, New Brunswick. He has two children—Mary and George. Mr. Burpee and family are members of the Congregational church in Houlton.

HON. ALDEN BRADFORD, president of the Eastport Savings Bank, Representative to the legislature in 1869 and 1870, and State Senator in 1879 and 1880, and for many years a leading business man of Eastport, was born here on April 28, 1828, son of Andrew R. and Elizabeth (Blatchford) Bradford. He is a direct descendant of Governor William Bradford of the Plymouth Colony, the line continuing through the Governor's second son, Major William Bradford (born in 1624), Israel (born in 1679, son of

Major William by his third wife), Israel's son Joshua (a native of Kingston, Mass., who settled in Meduncook, now Friendship, Me., in 1748), and Joshua, second, to Andrew R. Bradford, above named.

Joshua Bradford, second, son of the first Joshua, and grandfather of Alden Bradford, was born in Kingston, Mass. In 1797 he settled in Robbinston, where he died three years later. He engaged in ship-building in Robbinston, and commanded the first packet that ever sailed from that port. His wife, whose name before her marriage was Mary Johnson, bore him five children, as follows: Cornelius, who was born on January 4, 1791; Margaret A., who was born on September 26, 1793; Andrew R., who was born on November 17, 1795; Patience, who was born on October 25, 1797; and Elizabeth, who was born on November 17, 1799.

Andrew R. Bradford, father of the subject of this sketch, was born in Friendship. Early in life he worked as a clerk, and subsequently became an auctioneer. He served all through the War of 1812, and at its close settled in Eastport, where he was a prominent man in the dry-goods business; and at the time of his death, on August 15, 1854, he was Deputy Collector of Customs for this port. His church membership was in the Congregational denomination, and his political affiliations were with the Democratic party. He was twice married, his first wife being Elizabeth Blatchford and his second wife her sister Lydia. By the first marriage thirteen children were born, and by the second one. Of

these, three are living, namely: Andrew V. Bradford, of Portland, Ore.; Alden, who is the eldest; and Myles Standish Bradford, of St. Paul, Minn. The deceased are: Joshua, Andrew, Mary E., Emmeline N., Cornelius, Clarissa, Frederick C., and four children that died in infancy. Mrs. Elizabeth Bradford, mother of Alden Bradford, was born in 1800, and died on February 11, 1848.

Alden Bradford's boyhood days were spent in Eastport, where he attended the public schools and subsequently Eastport Academy. When he was sixteen years old his father gave him his time, and he then began to engage in the manufacture of clothing. He gave employment to between fifty and sixty-five hands, and at first did a large business in ready-manufactured clothing. This department, however, he subsequently gave up, and confined himself to the manufacture of high-grade custom garments. This was the first establishment of the kind opened up in Eastern Maine, and Mr. Bradford did a most successful business down to 1890, when he retired. His son still carries on the business, which was established in 1845.

Mr. Bradford was married on April 28, 1857, to Ruth A. Pike, a native of Eastport. She died here on July 2, 1867, leaving three children, namely: two sons, Alden Ring and Winslow T.; and a daughter, Jennie S.

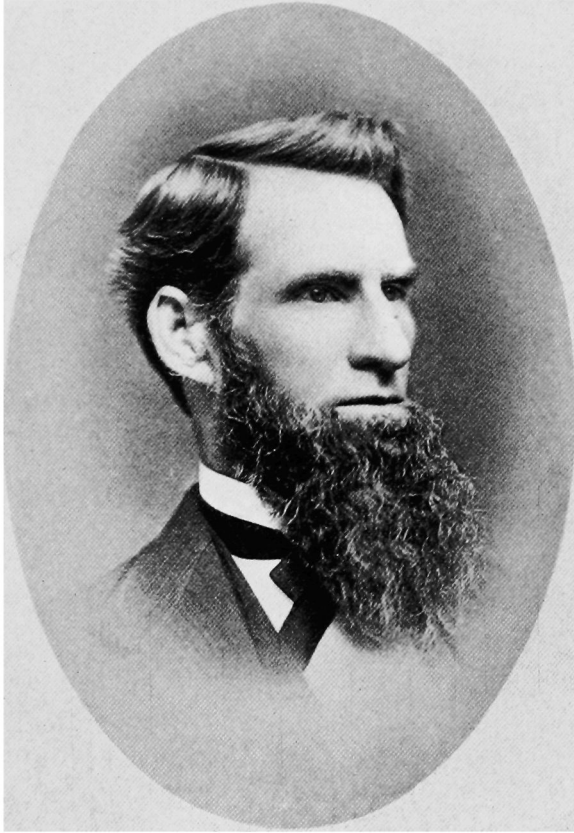
Alden Ring, who was born on May 7, 1860, is his father's successor in business. Winslow T., who was born on November 21, 1864, now resides in Portland, Ore., where he is interested in the manufacture of drugs and

essences. A daughter, Ella P., who was born on July 17, 1863, died on February 13, 1864, three years before her mother; and Jennie S., who was born on June 27, 1867, died on September 23, 1867. Mr. Bradford was married a second time on September 19, 1875, to Nellie Rice Bryant, who was a native of Machias, born on February 3, 1842, daughter of Stephen O. and Sarah (Russell Kilton) Bryant. Her grandmother was Mary Paris Russell. Her grandparents removed from Boston, their early place of residence, to Jonesboro, Me., on Rocque's Island, owned by their uncle. Her father, Stephen Bryant, was a ship-car-penter, and followed that trade during his active life. He died in 1883, over ninety years of age. His wife, who was born in Jonesboro, died in 1880, at the age of eighty-two years. They had thirteen children. By his second marriage Mr. Bradford is the father of three children — Fred Prince, Laura Pike, and Ethel Lola. Fred Prince, who was born on January 11, 1877, was a student last year in the Maine State College at Orono in the department of chemistry. In May, 1898, he enlisted in Battery D, Second Regiment, United States Artillery, and is now Sergeant. Laura, who was born on June 26, 1878, and Ethel, who was born on July 7, 1880, are at home with their parents. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bradford are members of the Unitarian church.

Politically, Mr. Bradford is a Republican. He has held various offices in Eastport, among these being that of Selectman, which he occupied for several years. For a part of this time he was chairman of the board. In 1869 and

again in 1870, as mentioned above, he served in the lower house of the State legislature, and in 1879 and 1880 in the Senate, where he was head of the Judiciary Committee. He has been connected with the savings-bank of Eastport since its organization, and since 1887 has been president of the bank. Mr. Bradford is a member of Eastern Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M.; also of the chapter and commandery at Eastport. He has been a busy, useful man all his life, and has well merited the success he has obtained. The positions of honor and influence which he has held in the Commonwealth have come to him unsought, and have been a tangible expression of the esteem and respect which his fellow-citizens entertain for him. Mrs. Bradford is a lady of much influence in social circles.

DR. WILLIAM H. STEVENS, a prominent physician of North New Portland, Somerset County, was born in Lovell, Me., on March 12, 1822, son of Asa and Mary (Senter) Stevens. Asa Stevens, who was born in Bridgton and followed the occupation of farmer, after residing for a short time successively in Sweden and Lovell, Me., returned to Sweden, where he remained until his son William was eight years old. Then he removed to Milan, N.H., and there was engaged in farming until his death, which occurred on July 21, 1858. His wife, Mary, who was born in Londonderry, N.H., died on April 4, 1856. They were the parents of ten children, as follows: Alexander



WILLIAM H. STEVENS.

H., Charles P., Sophia, and Aaron Spofford, all of whom are deceased; Almeda P., who is the widow of James Harris Vincent, and resides at Milan, N.H.; Augustus V., who died in Fryeburg, Me.; William H., the subject of this biography; Calvin P., who is deceased; Abba, who died at the age of twenty years; and a child that died before being christened.

Having received his early education at the noted Bridgton Academy, William H. Stevens read medicine for three years with Dr. Horace Stevens, of Skowhegan, and in 1850 entered the medical profession in Solon, this county. After practising there for about three years, he removed to this village, where he has since resided. At that time there were two other physicians here; but these did not remain long, and in a short time Dr. Stevens had secured a large share of the practice, not only in the village, but in all the adjoining towns. He has given careful attention at all times to his professional duties, and has merited fully the success he has attained. He was married to his first wife on May 25, 1845. In maidenhood she was Eliza Gay, a daughter of William and Ann Gay, well-to-do farming people of Fort Edward, N.Y., both of whom are now deceased. Mrs. Eliza Stevens died on November 2, 1870. She was the mother of six children, none of whom are living. These were: Marion A., born August 30, 1846, who married Charles L. Jones, an attorney of New Portland, now deceased; Agnes M., born August 20, 1849, who died December 21, 1867, at the age of eighteen; Harris William, born November 25, 1847, who died on New Year's

Day, 1849; Alice Ann, born November 16, 1851, who died February 15, 1854; Clayton William, born August 21, 1856, who died in April of the following year; and a child that died in infancy. Alice A. Jones, only child of Marion A. and Charles L. Jones, married Herbert W. Kennison, a merchant tailor of North New Portland, and has two children—Agnes and Earl E. Dr. Stevens was again married on July 8, 1871, to Maria S. Jenkins, of New Portland, a daughter of Isaiah and Sarah M. Viles Jenkins. Both Mr. Jenkins, who was a hotel-keeper in this town, and his wife died here. Dr. Stevens has no children by his second marriage.

An ardent Republican and keenly interested in politics, the Doctor served as delegate to the First Republican County Convention. Proud of never having cut a ticket of any kind, he could not be satisfied to vote anything but the straight Republican ballot. Yet, constantly governed by the most liberal principles, he has the entire confidence of the Democratic party. He has held a number of town offices. In 1875 and again in 1876 he was State Senator for this district. During his last term in the Senate, as chairman of the Committee on Education he drafted the bill and secured the enactment that made the normal schools of the State a part of the common-school system, providing for their support out of the school fund, and which has been so popular that the original draft of it has not yet been altered. For the three years from 1876 to 1879 inclusive, he was one of the trustees of the State Normal School Board. Fraternally, he is a

member of Northern Star Lodge, No. 28, F. & A. M., of North Anson. Both he and his wife are members of the Congregational church of this village. To-day the Doctor is one of the best known men in the county. At one time he had practical control of all cases requiring medical advice throughout the northern part of the county. He has lost large sums of money by not enforcing collections. His office is at his residence on Main Street, North New Portland. He has one of the finest medical libraries in the county.

LINDLEY H. FOLSOM, first Selectman of Greenville, Piscataquis County, Me., was born in Tamworth, N.H., May 11, 1843, son of Joshua and Martha J. (Smith) Folsom.

The Folsoms were among the early settlers of Epping, N.H. A liberty-loving race, members of the family fought bravely for American independence in the Revolutionary War. The paternal grandparents of the subject of this sketch were Joshua and Lois (Tibbetts) Folsom, the former of whom was born on July 18, 1784, in Epping, Rockingham County, N.H. He was a farmer and carpenter, and spent most of his active life in Tamworth, N.H. His wife, Lois, died in 1853.

Joshua Folsom, second, father of Lindley H., was born in Epping, N.H., April 17, 1810. A school teacher in early manhood, he subsequently learned the trades of shoemaking and cabinet-making, and worked at both. About 1870 he settled upon a farm in Monson,

where he spent his last years engaged in the cultivation of the soil. Industrious by nature and habit, he worked hard all his life and sought or enjoyed little leisure. He was a Deacon of the Congregational church. His death occurred April 16, 1881. His wife, who was born February 5, 1813, in Waterville, Me., died in Greenville, Me., April 27, 1897. They had a family of three children, namely: Sarah W., born in 1840, who married Hiram Smith, of Monson, and died in 1892; Levi S., born January 21, 1839, a guide and farmer living in Piscataquis County; and Lindley H., whose name begins this sketch.

Lindley H. Folsom passed most of his childhood and youth at Oakland, Kennebec County, and at Chesuncook Lake, Me. His early opportunities for obtaining an education were limited, but at the age of fourteen and later he attended Monson Academy for several terms. In 1861, when in his nineteenth year, he was engaged as clerk by John H. Eveleth, of Greenville, who placed him in charge of his store at Chesuncook Lake. Mr. Eveleth's hotel at that place was built under Mr. Folsom's supervision. Subsequently Mr. Folsom became Mr. Eveleth's partner in the Chesuncook Lake enterprises. In 1865 he removed to Monson, where he resided for about a year, during which time he was engaged in lumbering in company with Mr. Eveleth. He then became possessed of a half-interest in the general store of John H. Eveleth & Co. in Greenville, which he has retained up to the present time. For years he has been sole manager of this store. He is also interested in

lumber. He owns stock in the Moosehead Navigation Company, in which he is a director, and has the management of two steamers on the lake. A self-made man, who has worked his own way to prosperity and influence, he has the respect of his fellow-townsmen, and is one of the most popular citizens of Greenville.

Mr. Folsom was married May 10, 1865, to Abbie S., daughter of Jacob and Rachel (Packard) Blanchard, of Blanchard, Piscataquis County, Me. He has five children — Arthur L., Mabel G., Lizzie M., Gertrude M., and Malcolm B. Politically, Mr. Folsom is a Republican. He has been first Selectman of Greenville for fifteen years, and has also served as Town Treasurer, besides filling other offices. He belongs to and is Master of Columbia Lodge, F. & A. M., of Greenville, and is also a member of Moosehead Lake Lodge, No. 46, A. O. U. W., of Greenville. He attends the Union church in this town.

GEORGE AUGUSTUS WHEELER, M.D., a prominent physician of Castine, Hancock County, for nearly thirty years, and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in Standish, Cumberland County, July 26, 1837. By both of his parents, Amos Dean and Louisa A. (Warren) Wheeler, his genealogy is traced to the beginning of the Colonial period. Among his ancestors were John and Priscilla Alden, of whom the Doctor is a descendant in the seventh generation. On the paternal side he is a descendant of George

Wheeler, from whom the line comes through Thomas (first), Thomas (second), Thomas (third), Amos (first), Amos (second), and Amos Dean Wheeler. His paternal great-grandmother, Mary Belcher Henshaw, a daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Bass) Henshaw, by her mother was a grand-daughter of Samuel and Mary (Alden) Bass and a great-grand-daughter of John and Priscilla Alden, the "Mayflower" Pilgrims. Louisa A. Warren Wheeler was a daughter of Elijah and a grand-daughter of Ebenezer Warren.

Having completed his preparatory studies at the Topsham Academy, George A. Wheeler graduated from Bowdoin College in the class of 1856 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He subsequently began the study of medicine at the Harvard University Medical School, received his degree of Doctor of Medicine at the Maine Medical School in 1859, and in the same year was honored by his Alma Mater with the degree of Master of Arts. After entering upon the work of his profession at Falmouth, Me., he soon moved to Orland, this county, and practised there until 1861, in which year he removed to Presque Isle, Aroostook County. In July, 1862, he joined the Union's defenders as Sergeant of Company G, Eighteenth Regiment, Maine Volunteers. Detached from the Eighteenth in the following October, he was commissioned assistant surgeon of United States Volunteers, and a short time later was placed in charge of the general hospital at Annapolis Junction, Md. In March, 1864, he was promoted to the rank of surgeon, and afterward served in the Ninth

Army Corps in various responsible capacities, including that of its medical director. After the capture of Petersburg he was ordered to superintend the transportation of wounded soldiers to City Point, Va., was subsequently despatched to Louisville, Ky., and thence to Jeffersonville, Ind., where he remained until mustered out in July, 1865, as Brevet Lieutenant Colonel. After his discharge he worked at his profession for a short time in Alberton, Md. From that place he went to Washington, D.C., where he became surgeon for the Bureau of Refugees and Freedmen, was surgeon of the hospital at Arlington for a year, and assistant surgeon at the Campbell Hospital for the same length of time. After a short stay in Topsham, Me., to which he returned from Washington, he removed to Old Town, Penobscot County, where he resided until 1870. Since that year he has been a resident of Castine. In politics he is a Republican. He was the chairman of the School Committee from 1875 to 1887 and again in 1890; and he has been the chairman of the Board of Selectmen since 1892.

On February 17, 1864, Dr. Wheeler was united in marriage with Mrs. Margaret Lavinia Dorsey, a daughter of John F. and Elizabeth Harvecotter, of Maryland. The Doctor and his wife have had six children, three of whom are living, namely: Louise, the wife of Boyd Bartlett, of Ellsworth, Me.; George Dean; and Clarence Albion Wheeler. The others were: Mary Charlotte, Katherine Irene, and Harvey Haskell Wheeler. Mrs. Wheeler's daughter by her first husband,

Elizabeth Dorsey, took the name of Wheeler, and married Frederic L. Smith, of Waterboro, Me. Dr. Wheeler is a member of the Maine Medical Association and the Maine Historical Society, and he has been the president of the Hancock County Medical Association. He belongs to Hancock Lodge, F. & A. M., and Hancock Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and he was District Deputy Grand Master of the Fourth Masonic District successively for the periods 1882-84 and 1890-91. He is also a member of Massasoit Lodge, I. O. O. F.; and of Hancock Grange, Patrons of Husbandry; and he is a comrade of Charles H. Stevens Post, G. A. R. Besides writing various articles upon timely topics, contributed to the medical journals, he compiled a History of Castine, Brooksville, and Penobscot in 1874; was associated with his brother, the late Henry Wheeler, in writing the History of Brunswick, Topsham, and Harpswell, issued in 1876; and has recently published a book entitled "Castine — Past and Present."

FRANK W. HOVEY, a leading lawyer of Pittsfield, Somerset County, formerly County Attorney, was born on Bear Island, N.B., March 9, 1863, son of William and Elizabeth (Brown) Hovey. His grandfather, Edward Hovey, a native of Maine, who died in 1894, went to New Brunswick when his son William was quite young, and settled near St. John, where he carried on farming and lumbering. Edward's wife, in maidenhood a Price, bore him six children — James,

Grace, Ivory, William, Polly, and George. James, who was a farmer of this State and who married Margaret Dow, received an injury that made him an invalid for some years before his death, which occurred in 1892. Grace, who resides in Carroll, Me., married Gideon Morse, a leading lumberman of that town. Ivory, who went to California in 1849, still resides in that State, engaged in mining. Polly, now deceased, married William Cliff, a lumber dealer, who is now retired and lives in Boston. George, the youngest child, is also deceased.

William Hovey, born in Houlton, Me., excepting a brief stay in Bear Island during his childhood, before 1870, has resided in his native town all his lifetime. His principal occupations have been farming and lumbering. Elizabeth, his wife, who was a native of Bear Island, died in September, 1895. Their children now living are: Frank W., Emma J., James F., Sarah Anna, Clara Eldora (Mrs. Burbank), Sarah Gertrude (Mrs. Hagerman), Grace, and Mabel. One other child, Ivory, died in infancy. Emma J. married J. M. Hill, a furniture dealer of Houlton, Me. She has three children — Harry, Clyde, and one other, an infant. James F., who married Ella McIntire, of New Brunswick, is clerk in a mercantile house, and resides in West Somerville, Mass. He has one child, Margaret. Sarah Anna, now Mrs. George Hagerman, who resides on the old Hovey farm at Houlton, has four children. Grace is a school teacher in Houlton. Sarah G. is a teacher. Mabel resides with her brother, Frank W. Hovey.

After attending the public schools of Houlton for the usual period Frank W. Hovey completed the course of the Maine Central Institute, and graduated in the class of 1884. For the following three years he was a student in the law school of Boston University, and in 1887 he was admitted to the Cumberland County bar at Portland. Shortly after he settled in Pittsfield for the practice of his profession, spending the first year in partnership with J. W. Manson. He represented the town in the Maine legislature of 1889-90, and in the legislature of 1895-96 he occupied a seat in the upper house. From 1891 to 1895 he was prosecuting attorney for Somerset County, in which capacity he tried many important cases, and with such efficiency and skill that he did not lose a single one of them. For many years he has been the superintendent of schools, and since 1894 he has been the chairman of the Republican Town Committee.

Fraternally, Mr. Hovey is a member of Phlentoma Lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., of Pittsfield; and of Sebastacook Encampment, No. 53, in all the chairs of which he has served. He is a leading member of the Free Will Baptist church. Taking much interest in historical research, he is also an associate of the Maine Historical Society. At the present time he is engaged in writing a history of Pittsfield and the adjoining towns, which he expects to finish this year. On June 3, 1887, he was united in marriage with Gertrude Sawyer, a daughter of Captain C. H. and Etta H. (Farnham) Sawyer, both natives of

Pittsfield. Of his two children, Ruth, born August 5, 1893, died in 1895. The other, Byron Price, was born November 17, 1894.

HON. CHARLES A. SPOFFORD, a retired lawyer of Deer Isle, Hancock County, and an ex-member of the Maine Senate, was born in the town of Deer Isle, January 12, 1822. A son of Pearl and Sarah (Averill) Spofford, he is a descendant of John Spofford, a pioneer of Rowley, Mass. This ancestor married Elizabeth Scott, and had a son, Samuel Spofford, who was made a freeman in 1684, and occupied the homestead jointly with his brother John until his death, which occurred in January, 1744, at the age of ninety-one. On December 5, 1676, Samuel Spofford married Sarah Birkbee. Their son, Samuel, Jr., whose name appears on the list of tax-payers of Boxford, Mass., in 1714, was united in marriage with Sarah Stickney on June 17, 1717. Thomas Spofford, son of Samuel, Jr., and his wife, Sarah, was married on December 5, 1750, to Roxbee Moody, and settled in Andover, Mass., where she was admitted to the First Church on December 3, 1758. Thomas, Jr., son of the above named Thomas and grandfather of the subject of this sketch, married Esther Pearl, and settled in Pelham, N.H., where he died about the year 1830.

Pearl Spofford, son of Thomas, Jr., and his wife, Esther, was a native of Pelham, whence he came to Deer Isle in the year 1800, and settled at North-west Harbor. He was for

many years engaged in the shipping business in company with his brother Frederic, who was lost at sea in the "Shakspeare," one of their vessels. Pearl Spofford was at one time a large land-owner, but in his later years he became the victim of unforeseen reverses. He was a member of the General Court of Massachusetts in 1817, 1819, and 1820, and he represented his district in the first session of the Maine legislature in 1821. He died in 1865, aged eighty-seven years. Sarah, his wife, a native of Topsfield, Mass., whom he married in 1818, became the mother of eight children; namely, Frederick P., Charles A., Edwin B., Sarah H., George W., Eliza A., William H. H., and Henry C. (A genealogy of the descendants of John and Elizabeth (Scott) Spofford, who are quite numerous, was compiled by Dr. Jeremiah Spofford, of Groveland, Mass., and published in Boston in 1888.)

Charles A. Spofford graduated from Bowdoin College with the class of 1846. Beginning his legal studies with Ruggles & Gould, of Thomaston, Me., he completed his preparatory course with C. J. Abbott, of Castine, and was admitted to the Hancock County bar in 1857. He had already acquired considerable notoriety as a politician, having been a member of the Maine House of Representatives in 1849, Deputy Collector of Customs at Castine from 1850 to 1853, a State Senator in 1854, and the Speaker of the House in 1857. Afterward he ably performed the duties of Attorney for Hancock County, was at one time the Democratic candidate for Con-

gress from his district, was again a member of the State legislature in 1883, and was Collector of Customs at Castine during President Cleveland's first administration. As a lawyer he deservedly ranks among the leaders of his profession in this State. At the present time he is the president of the Hancock County Bar Association. Failing health caused him to retire from practice some time since, and he is now residing at his old home in Deer Isle.

On June 12, 1856, Mr. Spofford was joined in marriage with Lucretia A. Haskell, a member of one of the best known families of this locality. She became the mother of three children: Henry P. A., born on Deer Isle, March 8, 1858; Charles W., who died young; and Vinnie R., who married Allison K. Warren, of Stonington, and has one son, Charles D. S. Warren. Henry P. A. Spofford completed his education at the Castine Normal School. After teaching school for a time he engaged in trade at Deer Isle, and has since carried on a flourishing business. He married Julia Higgins, who was born and reared in this locality. In politics he is a Democrat, and he served as Postmaster during both of President Cleveland's administrations. He belongs both to the Masonic fraternity and the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

CHARLES B. McINTIRE, of Solon, a retired business man and formerly Representative to the legislature, was born in Bingham, March 24, 1831, son of

Washington and Betsey (Spaulding) McIntire. His father, a lifelong resident of Bingham, was one of the leading farmers of that town. Washington McIntire served as Deputy Sheriff for over thirty years, and was a member of the Board of Selectmen for a number of terms. He died in June, 1865. His wife, Betsey, who was a native of Norridgewock, became the mother of thirteen children, six of whom are living, namely: David, a retired farmer of Solon; George, who resides in Skowhegan; Jonah, a retired farmer and prominent resident of Solon; Harlow, who resides in Stillwater, Minn.; Charles B., the subject of this sketch; and Caroline, wife of Benjamin Gleason, of Oakland, Me. The others were: Heman, Cyrena, Betsey, Obed, Obed (second), Orin, and another child who did not reach maturity. The mother died in 1872.

Charles B. McIntire's boyhood and youth were spent in attending school and assisting his parents, with whom he resided until he was twenty-two years old, in carrying on the home farm. He then purchased a farm in his native town, which he cultivated industriously for some years. Subsequently he engaged in mercantile business and lumbering. For twenty-five years he kept a general store in Solon, which he gave up in 1892, in order to devote his entire attention to his lumbering interests and his saw-mill in Mayfield. He continued thus occupied until 1894, when he retired from active work, having lost his right hand through an accident.

In 1858 Mr. McIntire was united in mar-

riage with Lucy E. Williams, daughter of Zachariah Williams, a farmer of Embden, Me. Mrs. McIntire has had one daughter, Etta E., who was born in 1859, and died at the age of five years.

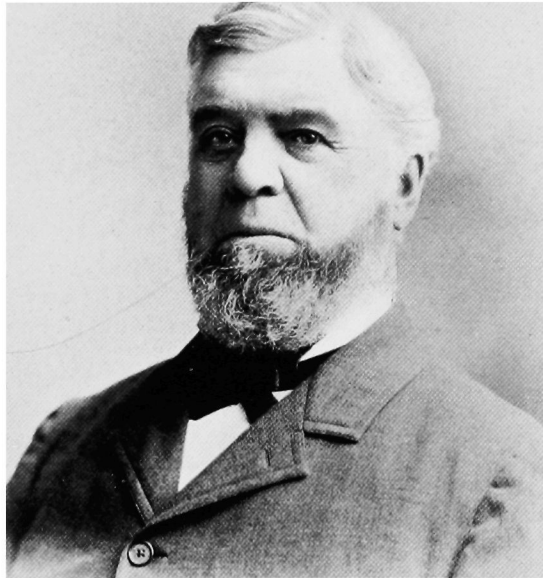
Mr. McIntire served with ability as a member of the legislature in 1883, was Postmaster of Solon for four years, and has held other public offices. In politics he is a Democrat. He is a Master Mason, a member of Keystone Lodge of Solon. In religious belief he is a Methodist.

BENJAMIN F. BARTLETT, a well-known lumber dealer residing at North New Portland, Me., was born in Minot, this State, on October 20, 1820, son of John H. and Phœbe (Burbank) Bartlett.

John H. Bartlett, his father, who was born in Eliot, Me., on December 9, 1789, was a cloth-dresser and wool-carder by trade. Coming to New Portland, he built a carding-mill, but soon removed to Monmouth, and later to Minot Corner, where he built another mill. Returning to New Portland in 1833, he bought a grist and saw mill here, which he sold to Benjamin and another of his sons. Building a saw-mill for himself, for about five years he was engaged in operating it. He then retired from active pursuits, and lived quietly with his children. Mr. John H. Bartlett was known throughout the county as a successful business man and a patriotic citizen. He never sought office, but was always ready to give his services whenever needed for the welfare of the public. His death occurred on

January 22, 1878. His wife, Phœbe, to whom he was married in 1814, was born in Freeport, Me., on October 18, 1789, and died on July 30, 1871. She was the mother of twelve children; namely, Mary, Lois H., Phœbe A., John B., Benjamin F., James P., Josiah D., Lavina M., William Pitt, Edwin, Willard W., and Abbie E.

Mary, who was born on December 21, 1814, married Orrin Hall, of Anson, Me., and died September 19, 1842. Lois H., who was born on February 28, 1816, and is now residing with her sister, was twice married, the first time to Benjamin Pierce and the second time to J. M. Hilton. Phœbe A., who was born on December 2, 1817, and married George C. Bartlett, died on October 10, 1880. John B. was born on February 3, 1819. He married Sarah E. Stackpole, and was engaged in milling interests up to the time of his death, which occurred May 31, 1872. James P., who was born on May 29, 1822, is a farmer residing in this village. He married first Abbie McLaughlin, of New Portland. After her death he married Miss Angie Safford, of Lexington, Me.; and for his third wife he married Mrs. Elizabeth H. Butterfield, of Waterville, Me. Josiah D., who was born on March 9, 1824, married Eliza T. Firth. He is a prominent citizen of Waterville, Me., and a leading farmer. Lavina M., born on July 26, 1827, is now Mrs. Sydney Sherman, and resides in Sharon, Mass. William Pitt, who was born on September 13, 1829, married Hattie Hart. He is now a very prominent attorney of Eau Claire, Wis. Edwin, who was



BENJAMIN F. BARTLETT.

born on September 3, 1831, died on September 16 of the same year. Willard W., who was born on March 22, 1833, enlisted in the late Civil War, was shot, and died from the effects on August 19, 1864. Abbie, who was born on October 10, 1838, is now Mrs. George Shapleigh, of Lebanon, Me.

Benjamin F. Bartlett remained with his parents until he reached his majority. He then became interested in a saw-mill and in lumbering, and when twenty-five years of age he, with his brother above referred to, purchased the saw-mill. He has since operated the mill. He carries on a large trade in lumber, buying timbered lands and clearing them.

Mr. Bartlett has been twice married. His first wife, whom he wedded on March 17, 1846, was Aurelia Richardson, of New Portland village, daughter of Eben Richardson, a prominent mill-owner. She died on February 22, 1888, having been the mother of one child, a daughter, Mary A., who was born on January 1, 1847. Mary A. Bartlett married H. A. Plummer, of New Portland, a lumber dealer and mill-owner. She died in 1879, having been the mother of two children: Frank L., now deceased; and William P., who is in the insurance business at Waterville, Me. Mr. Bartlett was married the second time to Mrs. Abbie E. Libby, widow of David F. Libby, of Portland, who was a livery man of that city, and daughter of Greenleaf Wiggin, of China, Me., and his wife, Ann B. Batson, of Addison, Me. Mr. Wiggin was a ship-carpenter. By her first husband Mrs. Bartlett had three children, namely: Carrie E.,

who married Charles A. Norris, of Fall River, Mass., and died August 10, 1896; George F., who is deceased; and Willie R., who married Inez Harper, and now resides in Portland, where he is employed as a moulder.

In 1889 Mr. Bartlett was appointed by Governor Burleigh as a member of the State Valuation Commission to regulate the assessable value of land and property of the State, and he subsequently held that office until 1891. He has served the town as Selectman. In politics he is a Republican but not a place-hunter. Mrs. Bartlett is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

ANDREW J. JORDAN, a leading druggist and apothecary of Orland, Hancock County, was born at Sandy Point, in the town of Stockton, Waldo County, Me., May 31, 1844, son of Andrew J. and Mary C. (Eldridge) Jordan. His father, a native of Stockton, was a sea captain, who died in comparatively early life; and the mother was a daughter of Ebenezer Eldridge, of Bucksport. The subject of this sketch was their first-born child, and is their only survivor, two others having died in infancy.

Andrew J. Jordan was educated in the public schools of Bucksport, Me. In 1864 he established himself in the drug business at Orland village, and his store has since been the main source of medical supplies in this locality. He carries a full line of drugs, chemicals, patent medicines, fancy goods, and sundries, and he is widely and favorably

known as a reliable pharmacist. Mr. Jordan married Miss Frankie M. Partridge, daughter of Isaac Partridge, of Orland; and the only child of this union died in infancy. Mr. Jordan cast his first Presidential vote for General U. S. Grant in 1868, and has since continued to vote with the Republican party.

REBUBEN D. GILMAN, of Foxcroft, an enterprising lumber manufacturer, was born in Norridgewock, Me., April 10, 1829, son of David and Lucy Gilman. His parents were natives of Gilmanton, N.H., which was named for one of his ancestors, and the family is of English origin. Colonel Edward Gilman, great-grandfather of Reuben D., served in the Revolutionary War, and was a prominent citizen in his day.

David Gilman, Reuben D. Gilman's father, came to Maine from New Hampshire, settling first in Norridgewock, Somerset County, and removing to Foxcroft in 1837. He engaged in farming and lumbering, and proved himself an able business man. In politics a Whig, he took a prominent part in local affairs. In his religious views he was liberal. His death occurred in 1852. He was the father of nine children, of whom four are living, namely: Lucy Dinsmore; Reuben D., the subject of this sketch; Amasa; and Mary. The three first named reside in Dover; and Mary, now Mrs. Wood, in Madison, Me. Mrs. David Gilman, the mother, is no longer living.

Reuben D. Gilman's education was begun in the common schools and supplemented by

a course of study at the Foxcroft Academy. In 1851 he went to California, making the journey by way of the Isthmus, and remained there some years, meeting with very fair success as a miner. Returning home in 1855, he engaged in the manufacture of lumber, including all kinds of building material, and has since followed that business in connection with farming. His mills furnish employment to a large number of men. As a business man he is energetic, far-sighted, and successful. In politics he supports the Republican party, but because of the demands made upon his time by his factory and farm he has never been able to take any active part in public affairs. He is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, belonging to the lodge in Dover, and has served the order as State Deputy. He attends the Congregational church.

In 1856 Mr. Gilman was joined in marriage with Helen Tolman, of Milo, Me.; and Mrs. Gilman has been the mother of three children — David, Eugenia, and Agnes. David died at the age of five years. Eugenia married David P. Ayer, of Pennsylvania. Agnes is the wife of the Hon. Willis E. Parsons, one of the most prominent citizens of Foxcroft and a leading member of the Piscataquis County bar.

WILLIAM S. MILLER, D.D.S., a rising young dentist of Fairfield, residing in Benton, was born in Searsport, Me., April 25, 1864, son of the Rev. Nathan and Rosetta (Stacy) Miller. The father, who

was born in Maine of German ancestry, was a Methodist preacher attached to the East Maine Conference, and was pastor successively of churches in Garland, Searsport, and Abbot. He died in 1876. Rosetta Stacy Miller, his widow, who was a native of Benton, Me., married for her second husband Eugene Holt, a prosperous farmer of Clinton, Me. The Rev. Nathan Miller was the father of two children: Horace S., who married Abbie King, and is a dentist in Sanford, Me.; and William S., the subject of this sketch.

William S. Miller attended the common schools until he was twelve years old, at which time he left home to start in life for himself. Subsequently, however, he pursued further a course of study at the Coburn Classical Institute at Waterville. He worked upon a farm, clerked in a store, canvassed, and, in fact, for some time turned his hand to any honorable employment that came his way. Having finally decided to enter the dental profession, he pursued the necessary studies, first under Dr. Smith, of North Anson, and later at the Haskell Dental School, Chicago, Ill. Locating for practice in Fairfield in 1886, he has since succeeded in building up a large business, and is now obliged to employ an assistant. Dr. Miller married Edith M. Hodgkins, daughter of James Hodgkins, a master carpenter of Benton. He has one child, Horace Leland, born in June, 1891. A Republican in politics, the Doctor takes no active part in public affairs beyond casting his vote. He belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, being a member of

the lodge in this town. Mrs. Miller is a member of the Baptist church.

JAMES D. M. FOSTER, of Pittsfield, Somerset County, a rising young farmer and stock-raiser, was born in this town, March 4, 1867, son of Charles H. and Olive (Dexter) Foster. The first of the family to settle in Pittsfield was Daniel Foster, grandfather of James. Charles H. Foster, the father, who was born in Pittsfield, was for many years a prominent farmer and lumberman. He is still widely and favorably known as an able business man and a worthy citizen. Having the confidence of his fellow-townsmen, he served as a Selectman for ten years. He is still residing at the homestead in this town. His wife, Olive, who was a native of Palmyra, Me., died December 14, 1895. The only child of their union is the subject of this sketch.

James D. M. Foster attended the district schools in his boyhood, and acquired a knowledge of agriculture on the home farm. At the age of twenty-one he became manager of the town farm, which position he retained for four years. At the end of that time he came to his present farm, which was known as the Simons place. His property contains one hundred and twenty acres of well-cultivated land, capable of yielding excellent crops; and since taking possession of it he has erected a new residence. He carries on general farming and dairying, but gives his principal attention to the breeding of cattle.

In July, 1888, Mr. Foster was joined in marriage with Bertha A. Rogers, who was born in Pittsfield, April 1, 1867, daughter of John and Sarah (Reynolds) Rogers. Her parents came from Windsor to Pittsfield in early married life, and settled upon a farm here. Her father is no longer living, but her mother resides in Pittsfield with a son.

Politically, Mr. Foster is a Republican. He is at the present time third Selectman, having served as Selectman for three years. For the past four years he has also served upon the School Board. He is connected by membership with the Patrons of Husbandry. He and Mrs. Foster are members of the Free Will Baptist church.

EDWIN S. IRELAND, a well-known and influential citizen of Piscataquis County, Maine, present chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, is a resident of Sebec, where he was born October 6, 1834. His parents were Abram and Esther (Cross) Ireland. His father, who was a son of Abraham Ireland, was a native of Bloomfield (now a part of Skowhegan).

Abram Ireland settled at Sebec in 1820 or thereabouts. A bachelor at that time, he took possession of a claim in the forest, cutting the first tree. He was a carpenter and cabinet-maker, and soon established a neat and comfortable home. On his land he made many improvements, working early and late. Abram Ireland was a Republican from the time of the birth of the party. He was a member of the

Christian church, and lived up to his belief. He died in this town at the age of eighty-seven. His wife, who was born in Sebec, died at the age of sixty-eight. They had a family of six children, namely: Abram, Jr., and Axel B. (deceased); Achsah S., widow of T. A. Burgess, of this town; Sarah C., widow of Nathan Fogg, also of this town; Moses C., residing in Vancouver; and Edwin S., the special subject of this sketch.

Edwin S. Ireland was educated in the public schools of Sebec. In 1850, when he was sixteen years old, he went to California by way of the Isthmus of Panama; and he was there successfully engaged in mining four years. Returning to his native place, he was engaged in lumbering till the war broke out. Entering the Union army in 1861, he was employed in the quartermaster's department as brigade wagon master until the close of the war. On his return he engaged in farming, and in 1867 he bought his present homestead property. He has a good farm of three hundred and fifty acres, and is engaged in general agriculture. He has made many improvements on the estate, and his buildings are neat and in good condition.

In politics Mr. Ireland is a Republican. In 1880 he served as enumerator of census in this district. He was commissioned Captain of the Ireland Guards, Company H, First Maine Reserve Militia, August 26, 1880, mustered out August 26, 1882. He has served as Collector of Taxes in the town twelve years, and is now (1898) chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, having

been a member of this board four years. He belongs to Piscataqua Lodge, No. 44, F. & A. M., of Milo, and to the Milo branch of the Ancient Order of United Workmen. In religious matters he is liberal.

He was married in 1855 to Rachel Moulton. She died in 1864, leaving one child, Fred O., who resides in Sebec. In 1867 Mr. Ireland was married to Christina, daughter of John and Almira A. (Lowney) Glidden, of Sebec. The two children born of this union are: Allie May, wife of Charles Hassell, and Carlotta, both residing in Sebec.

Mrs. Ireland's paternal grandfather, Jonathan Glidden, was one of the pioneers of this town. His first house was a log cabin in the wilderness; and he carried his grist to Atkinson to mill, following a trail marked by blazed trees. Settling here in 1816, he lived to the age of eighty-four, seeing the little settlement grow to a flourishing town. He was a Whig and a Republican. In religious belief he was a Free Baptist. His wife, whose maiden name was Ruth Kent, died at the age of eighty-three. They reared a family of eight children, two of whom are living, namely: Deborah, wife of Thomas Rockwell, of Dover, Me.; and Barker Glidden, of Aroostook County, Maine. John Glidden, Mrs. Ireland's father, an industrious and well-to-do farmer, succeeded his father as owner of the farm. He spent his last years in Milo, dying there at the age of seventy-eight. He, too, was a Republican. On religious subjects he held liberal views. He was twice married. Mrs. Ireland's mother, who before marriage

was Almira Lowney, died at the age of forty-two. Eight of Mr. Glidden's children grew to maturity, namely: Charity E., wife of Orin Dunham, of Foxcroft, Me.; Francis A., of Woodstock, N.B.; Maria A. (deceased), wife of Harvey Greeley, of Dover, Me.; Charles H., of Gladwin, Mich.; Christina L. (Mrs. Ireland); John J. Glidden, of Sebec; Lydia S., wife of George Bell, of Cheboygan, Mich.; and Frank A., of Olympia, Wash.

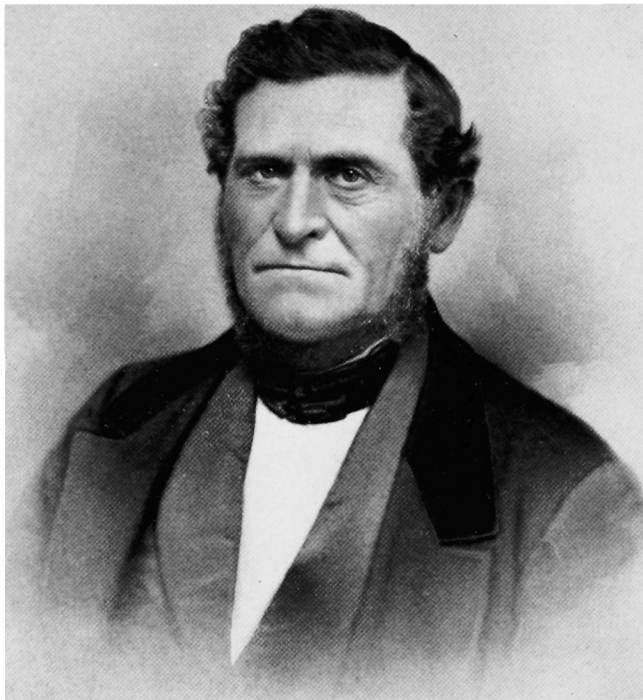
JOHAN METCALF, of New Portland, a manufacturer of riveted boots and moccasins, brogans, and plow shoes and a dealer in grain and kip and sole leather, was born in Lexington, Somerset County, Me., May 24, 1847. He is a son of Daniel G. and Cynthia (Churchill) Walker Metcalf. The father, born in 1811, in New Portland, a well-to-do farmer and prominent in the affairs of his native town, died in June, 1891. By his first wife, who was a Miss Dyer, of New Portland, there was one child, who died young. His second wife, Cynthia, born in West New Portland in 1811, was a daughter of Benjamin and Cynthia (Parker) Churchill. Her grandfather, Captain Josiah Parker, was an officer in the Revolutionary army. Both he and his son, Benjamin, were farmers in New Portland. Benjamin Churchill died on May 15, 1815; and his wife subsequently married James Hutchins. Cynthia Churchill first married Cyrus Walker, of New Portland, by whom she had two children, who died young. By her second husband, Daniel G. Metcalf, she had

eight children, namely: Cyrus W., who is engaged in surveying lumber for a railroad company in Michigan; Ellen, who is now the wife of Andrew Bates, a farmer of Midland, Mich.; Caroline, the wife of Horatio Clark, a retired manufacturer of New Portland; Cynthia and Lucy, deceased; John, the subject of this sketch; Laura, deceased; and Millard, a shoe dealer in Guilford, Me. The mother died in March, 1891.

John Metcalf acquired a common-school education. At the age of sixteen he left home and went to work for Horatio Clark, of New Portland, a tanner and shoemaker. He had been in Mr. Clark's employ about a year when, in August, 1864, he enlisted in Company I, Sixteenth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry. He was sent almost immediately into active service, and took part in some serious engagements. Taken ill with fever in front of Petersburg, he was sent home. When he regained his health he again entered Mr. Clark's employ. In 1870 he became Mr. Clark's partner, and until 1892 they transacted business under the firm name of H. Clark & Co. In that year Mr. Clark retired, and Mr. Metcalf has since been the sole manager. The riveted boot, which they began manufacturing in 1879, is a prime favorite with farmers and lumbermen; and their other boots and shoes, being standard goods, have a large sale. The business has been very successful from the start. Mr. Metcalf also conducts business as an undertaker. He is a quiet, modest man, and has many friends.

In February, 1871, Mr. Metcalf was married to Flora, daughter of Elbridge True, a farmer of New Portland. She died in April, 1872, leaving one son, J. Clinton, a boot and shoe dealer residing in Farmington, Me., who married Miss Ethel Walker, of Bethel, this State. On May 11, 1873, Mr. John Metcalf was married to Miss M. Belle Hall, of New Vineyard, Me., daughter of Orrin and Elizabeth (Ricker) Hall. Mr. Hall died in 1890. His widow resides with her daughter, Mrs. Metcalf. Mr. Metcalf has no children by his second union. In politics he is a staunch Republican. He has been a Justice of the Peace since 1889. At the last county convention of his party, held in June, he was nominated by acclamation for the office of County Commissioner, to which he was elected in September for a term of six years from January 1, 1899. The fact that on this occasion he was the first new candidate ever nominated by acclamation attests how well he is thought of in his county. He is a member of Lower Stream Lodge, No. 55, I. O. O. F., of New Portland; and of Isaac A. Pennell Post, No. 94, G. A. R., of the same place. In religious belief he is a Universalist.

CAPTAIN EBEN W. BRAGDON, for many years an honored citizen of Lamoine, Hancock County, Me, where he died on February 11, 1881, was born November 26, 1809, in the neighboring town of Sullivan, at the home of his parents, Jotham and Lydia Bragdon. In his earlier days he



EBEN W. BRAGDON.

sailed the seas, and as master of a vessel visited many foreign ports, his commercial ventures taking him to all parts of the globe. While yet a young man he learned the mason's trade, which he followed after giving up seafaring in Lamoine, where he built the comfortable dwelling now occupied by Captain A. C. Holt. He was a man of ability and staunch integrity, and for some time served as Town Treasurer. At Gouldsboro, Me., December 15, 1839, he married Elizabeth D., daughter of John and Sarah Frisbee, of that town, born March 21, 1821.

John Frisbee was born in Kittery, Me., in 1793, a son of Deacon Darius Frisbee, who was born and reared in Londonderry, N.H. John Frisbee spent the larger part of his life in Kittery, York County, Me., but at different times was a resident of Winter Harbor, in the town of Gouldsboro, Hancock County, where he remained seventeen years, Portland, Lamoine, and of Charlestown, Mass., where his family resided at the time of his death, which took place in Brewer, Me., at the age of sixty years. The period of his residence in Winter Harbor was one of the busiest and most useful of his life. Engaging in trade, he fitted out many fishing and coasting vessels, of some of which he was the owner. The industries he carried on gave employment to so many men, and his private benevolences were so numerous, that he was known as the "poor man's friend." Having skill as a physician, and there being no other doctor in the vicinity, he prescribed for the sick, and gave medicine freely to those unable to pay for it. As the

result of his studies and practice he subsequently, in 1847, published a book entitled "The Family Physician," it being designed to enable persons not having a special medical training to correctly diagnose and successfully treat all ordinary diseases. As a Christian missionary, a member of the Free Baptist church at Kittery, of which his father was Deacon, he was influential in the organization of the first Sunday-school in Winter Harbor and the first Free Christian Baptist church in that place, his associates in this work being Jacob D. Coulard, Moses Franklin Davis (father of ex-Governor Davis), and Elders York and Gower. After its organization, the date of which was July 23, 1837, he was made clerk. The church at first consisted of nineteen members, and in 1839 it joined the Christian Baptist Conference.

During the War of 1812 Captain Frisbee was on a fishing smack, and, being captured by the British, was pressed into the service as a prize master, but refused to serve the enemy. Although his life was threatened he stood by his country, and was protected by the British officers, and was later released. He married Sarah Ferguson, of Eliot, who bore him ten children; namely, George W., Hiram F., Elizabeth D. (Mrs. Bragdon), Sarah A., John H., Marilla M., Washington J., Joseph F., Clara B., and Jesse F. George W. was a sea captain, and died at sea; and Hiram, also a sea captain, died at Turk's Island. Sarah A., who married Franklin Sproul, of China, Me., is now deceased. John H., a sea captain, died in Charlestown, Mass. Marilla M.

married Daniel Higgins, of Charlestown, Mass. She is now deceased. Washington J. is a retired sea captain, residing in New York City. Joseph F., formerly a seafaring man, now resides in Boston, Mass., where he is engaged in mercantile pursuits on Washington Street. Clara B. is the wife of Cyrus Abbott, of Concord, N.H.; and Jesse F. is a marble worker and dealer of Bridgton, Me.

Captain and Mrs. Bragdon were the parents of ten children, namely: Jesse H., born March 13, 1841; Almena, born June 5, 1843; Myra A., born July 15, 1846; Eben W., born January 15, 1849; Elizabeth F., born September 29, 1851; Eben H., born June 18, 1854; Joseph W., born May 23, 1857; George W., born September 29, 1859; Charles S., born August 1, 1864; Lelia Mary, born October 21, 1866. Jesse H. Bragdon, for many years master of a vessel, was lost at sea, and left his widow with three children — Gertrude C., Harvey N., and Johnny D. Almena L., wife of Captain A. C. Holt, of Lamoine, has five children now living, namely: Lena; Hiram Allen, who is a physician in Monroe, Me.; Arthur B., commander of a vessel; Clarence, who is a dentist in Dover, Piscataquis County; and L. Jordan. Another son, Walter, died in Minneapolis, Minn., in 1896. The father, Captain Arthur C. Holt, was in Cuba at the beginning of the war with Spain. His vessel, the "Helen G. Mosley," was run into by a steamer while in harbor, sustaining injuries that cost one thousand dollars to repair, but returned home in good condition. Myra A. Bragdon married

George W. Young, a veteran of the late Civil War, who died at a comparatively early age, leaving one son, Jesse E. Young. Eben W. died in infancy, and Elizabeth F. died in Lowell, Mass., in 1896, unmarried. Eben H. Bragdon, a sea captain, resides in Seattle, Wash.; Joseph W. lives in Fargo, Dak.; George W. is a dentist in Seattle, Wash.; Charles S., also a dentist, is a resident of Brockton, Mass.; and Lelia M. is the wife of Hoyt L. Smith, of East Lamoine. Mrs. Bragdon is an active member and now for seven years the clerk of the Baptist church at East Lamoine. Her husband was for twenty-eight years a Deacon of the Lamoine First Baptist Church, and at his death was the Senior Deacon of the same.

Mrs. Bragdon after the death of her father was given power of attorney by the remaining heirs to settle his estate, a work requiring legal knowledge and ability, and one that she performed to the satisfaction of all concerned. A woman of strong personality and good mental attainments, she has become widely known throughout this section of the State through her contributions to the press; and her lively, breezy, and practical column in the *Ellsworth American* as long as J. C. Chillcott was editor, under the signature of "D'nett," was eagerly read by the Lamoine subscribers, the same being true of her more recent contributions to the *Ellsworth Enterprise* and *Bangor Commercial*. She is now, at the age of seventy-seven, still able to perform the duties of a good housekeeper, seeking help only in the spring and autumn to assist her in clean-

ing house, and having a pleasant word and kindly hospitality for all.

CHARLES F. PRATT, a prosperous merchant of Hartland, Somerset County, was born in Bangor, Me., January 1, 1843, son of Captain Atherton W. and Elizabeth (Robinson) Pratt. The parents were natives of Skowhegan; and the father, who was born in the year 1800, and who served in the War of 1812, was the youngest member of his company, and received in addition to his regular pay a land grant of one hundred and sixty acres, which land he subsequently sold. He was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and later to that of Captain, while in the State militia. At the age of twenty-eight he settled in Bangor, where he was engaged as a surveyor of lumber for the rest of his life. He died in that city in 1861. His wife, Elizabeth, became the mother of seven children, namely: John, who was one of the earliest gold seekers in California, where he died in 1849; Hiram, who died in the West; Henry, who died at the age of sixteen years; Charles F., the subject of this sketch; Francis A., who resides with his brother Charles; Addie E.; and another child, who died in infancy. The mother passed away at the age of seventy-three years.

Charles F. Pratt completed his school education at the Bangor High School. Soon after graduating from that institution he enlisted in Company A, Maine State Guards, in which he served from July, 1864, to January 21, 1865.

On July 6, 1865, he re-enlisted in Company G, Unattached. After his discharge from the army he went to Harmony, Me., where he was engaged in trade for two years as a member of the firm of Hodge & Pratt. In 1868 he came to Hartland, and two years later established himself in mercantile business on the Island, where he remained five years. At the expiration of that time he located at his present stand, and has since been prominent among the merchants of this town.

On October 16, 1872, Mr. Pratt married Miss Mary E. Woodbridge, daughter of Charles Woodbridge, a carpenter of Palmyra.

Politically, Mr. Pratt is an active Republican. He served as Town Treasurer from 1868 to 1873, and was chairman of the Board of Selectmen from 1894 to 1896, discharging his duties with ability. He is a Master Mason, being connected by membership with Hartland Lodge, No. 95. A member of the Baptist church, he is actively interested in religious work.

ALBERT F. JONES, who carries on a flourishing dry and fancy goods store in Solon, was born in Lisbon, Me., February 19, 1829, son of Zadock and Esther (Weymouth) Jones. The father, who was a lifelong resident of Lisbon, carried on general farming and stock-raising, and prided himself upon the extent and fertility of his property. His wife, Esther, who was a native of Durham, Me., became the mother of four children, namely: Metilda J., a resident of Winslow, Me., who is the widow of W. Jones, a lum-

berman; Albert F., the subject of this sketch; George H., who married Sarah Golder, and is an extensive farmer and stockman in Webster, Me.; and Alma, who is no longer living. Mr. and Mrs. Zadock Jones died in Lisbon (now called Webster).

Albert F. Jones acquired a common-school education. At the age of twenty-one he went to Boston, where for two years he was employed as a conductor on the street railway. He later engaged in the sale of fancy goods upon the road, driving a team through the State of Maine for fourteen years. At the end of that time he bought the Chandler Baker hotel at Bingham, which he carried on for six years. Subsequently he traded the hotel for a farm in Madison, where he resided five years; and then, trading the farm for a house and lot in Solon village, he established himself in business here in 1877. He deals in groceries, dry and fancy goods, notions, smallwares, and gentlemen's furnishings, and his store is the main source of supply for a wide territory.

Mr. Jones contracted the first of his two marriages with Sarah J. Jewell, of Wales, Me., daughter of James Jewell, a farmer and carpenter of that town. The only child of that union is Chester M. Jones, who is now a street car conductor in Boston. On October 5, 1865, Mr. Jones married for his second wife Mrs. Jennie A. Clarke, widow of G. A. Clarke, a former citizen of Strong, Me. She is a daughter of Simeon Weymouth, who was in his day one of the stirring farmers of Freeman, Me. Mr. Jones's only child by his second union died in infancy. In politics a

Democrat, Mr. Jones is not a place-hunter, as his business demands his undivided attention. He is a member of Solon Lodge, I. O. O. F. Both he and his wife attend the Methodist church.

LEVI B. WYMAN, a well-known resident of Ellsworth, Hancock County, son of Levi Wyman, was born October 3, 1830, in Skowhegan, Me. The paternal grandfather, Seth Wyman, who was born and bred in Woburn, Mass., settled in Somerset County, Maine, while still a young man, becoming a pioneer of Bloomfield, now called Skowhegan. He took up a tract of wild land, from which he redeemed a good homestead, and was there engaged in farming throughout his remaining days. His first wife, whose maiden name was Annie Stewart, was the mother of Levi Wyman.

Levi Wyman, born and brought up in Skowhegan, learned the stone-cutter's trade, and thereafter followed it for the rest of his life. He purchased a quarry on Dodlin Hill, and with his brothers, who were also men of enterprise and ability, he took contracts for erecting public buildings. His brother Abraham built the old jail at Ellsworth. Levi Wyman died at a comparatively early age at Saratoga Springs. He was twice married. By his first wife, who was a Miss Walker, there were two children — Joseph A. and Sophia. The former, who was educated at both Colby University and Bowdoin College, went West, and there studied law. While prospecting for

lead, he was poisoned by eating wild parsnip root. After the death of his first wife Levi Wyman married Pamela Benson, of Madison, Me. She also bore him two children, namely: Lydia A., who died at Waterville, Me.; and Levi B., the subject of this biography. Surviving her first husband, Pamela Wyman contracted a second marriage with Joseph Barrett, of Canaan, Me., and died a few years after, leaving a daughter and son by Mr. Barrett: Mrs. Viola B. Haskell; and A. H. Barrett, now of Pasadena, Cal.

Levi B. Wyman was brought up in Skowhegan by an uncle, who was appointed his guardian after the death of his mother. He was fitted for college, but was persuaded by Colonel Wildes to accept the position of civil engineer on the Androscoggin & Kennebec Railroad, in which capacity he served for about a year. He was then employed by the York & Cumberland Railroad Company for a time, first on the road and then in their office at Portland. In locating a piece of road between Gorham and the Saco River he took a severe cold, and for some time was quite out of health. Being advised by his physician to take a voyage, he bought an interest in a schooner at Mount Desert, and made one trip to Labrador. He spent the ensuing ten years engaged in trade and ship-building at Bass Harbor, and serving as Selectman for several terms. Later he went to Seal Cove, where he carried on farming and lumbering. While there he was elected Sheriff of the county in 1871. Coming then to Ellsworth in 1872, he served as Sheriff of Hancock County for two

years subsequently. In 1876 and 1877 he was Tax Collector and City Clerk; in 1881, City Clerk and Assessor of Taxes; in 1884, president of the Board of Aldermen and Assessor of Taxes; in 1885, president of the Board of Aldermen; in 1891, Assessor of Taxes; in 1895 and 1896, City Clerk; in 1897, Assessor of Taxes; and in 1898, City Clerk. During the first administration of President Cleveland he was Special Deputy Collector of Customs under Collector Erastus Redman. Made a Mason in Somerset Lodge of Skowhegan, he was one of the organizers of Tremont Lodge, No. 77, of Tremont, Me.; and is a member of Lygonia Lodge, F & A. M., of Ellsworth; Acadia Chapter, R. A. M., of Ellsworth; and of St. John's Commandery, K. T., of Bangor. In 1852 he voted the Bell and Everett ticket, and has since been a loyal Democrat.

In 1856 Mr. Wyman married Miss Julia C. Sawyer, of Tremont. They have become the parents of nine children, namely: Marion, who is now the wife of Eben B. Clark, of Tremont, and has one son, George Freeman; Edward B., a commercial traveller residing in Ellsworth, who married Ernestine Bellaty, and has two children — Victorine and Marion; Levi A., who married Ella, daughter of J. T. Cushman, and is now in Southern California for the benefit of his health, is a graduate of the Maine State College, a civil engineer, and a member of the Hancock County bar; Viola, who died a short time after her marriage with George A. Phillips, M.D.; John, a resident of Waltham, Mass., who married Daisy D. Hackelton, and has one child, Raymond;

Eben, who was the senior member of the firm Wyman & Cobb at Redstone, N.H., and afterward a partner in the firm George B. Haskell & Co., of Lewiston, Me., until his death, which occurred June 7, 1898; Julia, who resides with her parents; George, who is a clerk in the store of Wyman & Cobb at Redstone; and Grace, who died in infancy.

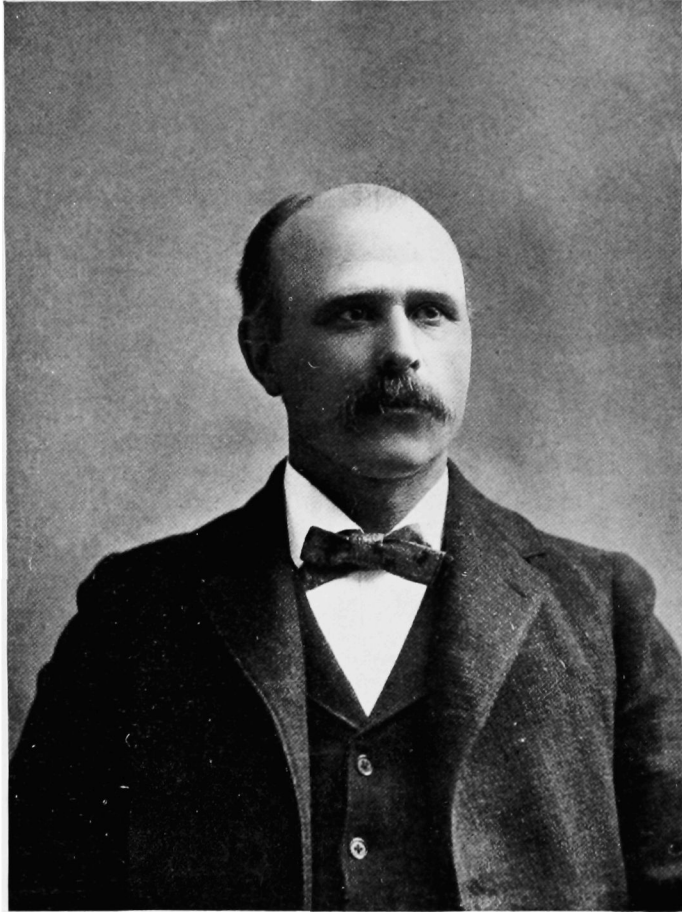
Mr. Wyman was a resident of Tremont, Me., during the war of the Rebellion, and, although never drafted, assisted in making up Tremont's quota by furnishing a three years' substitute, and was nominated by his party, largely in the minority in Hancock County, and not elected, as follows: for Sheriff in 1869, 1873, 1875, and 1882; for Clerk of Courts in 1877; for Representative to legislature from Ellsworth in 1892. He has also served as a member of the Democratic State Committee.

JOSEPH NYE, an extensive farmer and dairyman of Fairfield, Somerset County, was born in this town, February 3, 1824, son of Joseph and Mary (Freeman) Nye. His parents were natives of Fairfield; and his paternal grandfather, Elisha Nye, who came here from Sandwich, Mass., resided for a time in the village, but later located near the present Nye homestead. Joseph Nye, father of the subject of this sketch, settled upon the farm now occupied by his son in 1820, and tilled the soil industriously until his death, which occurred in 1865. He was the father of twelve children, namely: Sophronia, who died at the age of one year;

Sophronia, second, wife of Elisha Lawrence, a farmer in Fairfield; Joseph, the subject of this sketch; Lemuel, who is no longer living; Robinson, who is a resident of Illinois; James F., a farmer of Fairfield, who married Susan A. Ellis, and has two children — Mary C. and Earle L.; John, a resident of California; Mary and Daniel, who reside at the homestead; Rebecca, wife of A. B. Green, of Waterville, Me.; and two others who died before reaching maturity. The mother died in 1881.

Joseph Nye in his boyhood and youth attended the town schools and assisted his father upon the farm. He resided at home until 1852, when he went to Nevada City, Cal., where he was engaged in mining for over three years. Upon his return home he took charge of the farm, caring for his parents during their declining years, and has since given his entire attention to its cultivation. He owns about three hundred acres, which afford excellent facilities for the raising and pasturage of stock: and he carries on a large business.

In 1856 Mr. Nye married for his first wife Ruth, daughter of Sturgis and Ruth (Hinks) Nye, her father being a prosperous farmer of Fairfield. She died in 1860, and Mr. Nye married for his second wife Miss Sarah B. Allen, daughter of the late Major Daniel Allen, of this town. She also has passed away. Of his first union were born two children: Ruth, who died at the age of eighteen; and Herbert E., who died at the age of twenty-two.



EDWARD E. WILLIAMS.

In early life a Whig, Mr. Nye has voted with the Republican party since its formation. He takes no active part in public affairs beyond casting his ballot. The only society with which he is connected is the Patrons of Husbandry. In religious belief a Methodist, he attends the Good Will chapel.

EDWARD E. WILLIAMS, of Brownville, Piscataquis County, the superintendent of the Brownville, Me., Slate Company's quarries, son of Owen and Margaret Williams, was born here, September 4, 1855. The father, an enterprising Welshman, came to this country from his home in Wales, and was one of the early settlers of Brownville. As an employee of Hughes & Crocker he was one of the very first to engage in the work of opening the Brownville slate quarries. He continued in the employ of that company as long as they remained in business, afterward followed the same business for the rest of his life, and was considered one of the best authorities on slate in this locality. His death occurred at his home here in 1883. In politics he was a Republican, in religion a Congregationalist. His widow, Margaret Williams, still lives here. They had six children, all now living, namely: Margaret S., unmarried and residing in Brownville; Edward E., the subject of this biography; Elias, of Brownville; Owen H., of Bangor; Mary J., the wife of P. M. Jones, of Monson; and Henry L., of Brownville Junction.

Edward E. Williams has always lived in

Brownville. He attended school for a time, but his opportunities for an education have been very meagre. When nine years old he began working in the quarry, performing the lighter tasks until able to take his place with the regular workmen. Finally, four years ago, he was promoted to his present position of superintendent of the entire plant of the Brownville Slate Company. This quarry, which was opened in 1843 by William Hughes and Samuel Crocker, and has always been known as the old Crocker quarry, is of special interest from the fact that it was the first slate quarry opened in the State of Maine. In 1890 the well-known firm, Norcross Brothers, of Worcester, Mass., bought the quarry; and it has since been run by them. Their ownership of this vein embraces an extent of three miles lying east and west, and at the present time has been worked to a depth of two hundred feet. The vein is four hundred feet wide, while its depth is unknown. The company produces roofing slate exclusively, which is of a quality that is generally conceded to be the best in the world. The quarry is worked the year round, and gives steady employment to one hundred men. The slate is shipped to all parts of the United States, and has found a market in South Africa and other distant places.

On January 14, 1877, Mr. Williams married Anna E., daughter of Captain M. W. Brown. Three sons and a daughter have been born to them; namely, Frank A., Stella E., Charles E., and Moses B. Mr. Williams holds liberal opinions on religious subjects. In politics

he is a Republican. He served as Selectman for one term. Fraternaly, he is a member of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, F. & A. M., of Brownville; and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Milo.

GEORGE F. WEBBER, M.D., a prominent physician of Fairfield, Somerset County, son of George and Rebecca (Meriman) Webber, was born in Richmond, this State, June 12, 1856. The father, also a native of Richmond, lived in that town during the greater part of his life, engaged in the trades of carriage-maker and blacksmith, and died there at the age of eighty-three. His wife, Rebecca, a native of Bowdoin, who now resides in Litchfield, had ten children, namely: Ruel and Adeline, both of whom reside in Richmond; Mary and Rebecca, who are deceased; Arista, who resides in Lewiston; Thirza, a resident of Litchfield; George F., the subject of this sketch; Paulina, who resides in Beverly, Mass.; Charles, who resides on the old homestead in Litchfield; and Nellie, who resides at Milltown, N.B.

After attending the common schools for the usual period, George F. Webber fitted for college at Litchfield Academy. Then he studied for three years at the Bowdoin Medical School, and also for a time at the University and Bellevue Hospitals in New York and at Tufts College in Boston. Having received his diploma in 1879, consequent upon his graduation at Bowdoin, he went to Lisbon Falls, Me., where he was engaged in practice

for three years. Subsequently he was in Clinton, Me., for nine years. From there he went to Waltham, Mass., where he remained until 1890. From that time until 1895 he practised in Burnham and Portsmouth. In 1895 he came to Fairfield. The Doctor's practice is largely in the adjoining towns and outlying districts, including Pittsfield, where he has a long list of patients.

Dr. Webber was married on November 28, 1878, to Allie M. Ham, who was born in Auburn, Me., in 1859, daughter of Joel and Maria (Maxwell) Ham. Mr. Ham, who was a farmer and lived in Wales, Me., was a prominent citizen and served as Postmaster, surveyor, and a member of the legislature. He is now deceased. His wife, who survives him, resides in Auburn, Me., with her children. Dr. Webber and his wife have two children: Millard Carroll, who was born on July 6, 1882; and Merlon A., who was born on November 2, 1884. The Doctor has always shown a warm interest in public affairs. For two years he was Supervisor of Schools. Politically, he is a Democrat, and he invariably votes the straight Democratic ticket. He belongs to a large number of fraternal societies, notably to Morning Star Lodge, No. 28, F. & A. M., of Litchfield, Me., of which he has been a member since he was twenty-one years of age; to Phlentoma Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Pittsfield, Me.; to the Knights of Pythias at Lisbon Falls, Me.; to Lodge No. 26, American Order of United Workmen, at Waltham; and, with his wife, to the Ladies' Star Lodge

of the Masonic Order for Ladies. Mrs. Webber is a member of the Baptist church at Auburn. Professionally, the Doctor is a member of the Massachusetts State Medical Society of Boston. He is well and widely known among medical men, and takes high rank among them.

FREDERICK A. POWERS, of Houlton, a member of the well-known law firm of Powers & Powers, was born in Pittsfield, Somerset County, Me., June 19, 1855, son of Arba and Naomi (Matthews) Powers. He is a descendant of Walter Power, an early settler of Littleton, Mass. Mr. Powers's boyhood days were passed upon his father's farm in Pittsfield, Me. He fitted for college at the Maine Central Institute at Pittsfield, graduating there in the class of 1871; and he subsequently graduated at Bowdoin College in the class of 1875. He then read law with his brother, the Hon. Llewellyn Powers at Houlton, and was admitted to the bar in September, 1876. He has since practised his profession in Houlton. A Republican in politics, Mr. Powers has taken an active part in public affairs. He was Representative to the Maine legislature in 1885 and 1887 and State Senator in 1891. In 1893-96 he served as Attorney-general of Maine. Mr. Powers is a Free Mason, and also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He attends the Unitarian church. He was married January 9, 1879, to Miss May Hussey, a native of Houlton and daughter of Sylvanus H. and Mary J.

Hussey. He has two children — Llewellyn H. and Paul H. Powers.

ALBERT S. PARSONS, the chairman of the New Portland Board of Selectmen, son of Albert and Mary (Hutchins) Parsons, was born here, March 7, 1843. His grandfather, Henry Parsons, moved from North Anson to Lexington, this county. The father, Albert Parsons, born in North Anson, left home at the age of twenty-one and settled in Lexington. Later he moved to Bray Hill, New Portland, and lived there for three years. During the twelve years following he resided at East New Portland; and the rest of his life was spent at Solon, Me. He died in July, 1859. His wife, a native of New Portland, subsequently married the Rev. Leonard Hathaway, of Harmony, Me., and lived with him in this town until he died in 1874. She died at the home of her son, Albert S., in February, 1890. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Parsons: Mary E., born February 11, 1840, who died at Harmony in November, 1863; Sarah A., born November 21, 1841, who died in April, 1864; Albert S., the subject of this sketch; and Charles T., born in April, 1845, who died in 1887 at Chillicothe, Mo. Sarah A. was the wife of Eben N. Moody, who is now a resident of Dedham, Mass.

Albert S. Parsons acquired his education in the common schools of Solon and New Portland and in the Maine State Seminary of Lewiston. Sixteen years old when his father

died, he started out then to earn his own living, teaching in New Portland and working on a farm. From 1871 to 1879 he lived on a farm near the one which he now owns, and in the latter year he moved to his present home. He has a well-improved farm of about one hundred and sixty acres, with new buildings, and is engaged in general farming, stock-raising, and dairying. Mr. Parsons was a Republican at the time of the Civil War, and voted for Lincoln; but while still a young man he joined the Democratic party. He was first elected superintendent of schools here and then third Selectman. In 1881 and 1882 he represented this district in the legislature of the State and when his term in the house expired he was elected first Selectman. He has been chairman of the Board of Selectmen nine years.

On May 28, 1871, Mr. Parsons was married to Rhoda F. Abbott, of New Portland, a daughter of Lewis and Angeline (Frederic) Abbott. Mr. Abbott, who was a farmer of New Portland township, died here. His widow is living in East New Portland. Mrs. Parsons died June 24, 1891. She was the mother of five children, namely: Ina Mary, born January 24, 1873, now a teacher in Claremont, N.H.; Cora Rhoda, born October 1, 1874, now engaged in teaching; Mabel Angie, born March 29, 1877, now the wife of Willard L. Whitten, who lives on the Tufts farm, near her father's; Charles Albert, born June 24, 1879, who was drowned in New Portland when thirteen years of age; and William Lewis, born November 11, 1884, who is with

his father. Mr. Parsons's eldest daughter, Ina, graduated from Bates College in the class of 1896 as valedictorian. His second daughter, Cora, graduated from the Farmington State Normal School in 1897. All the daughters are members of the Free Baptist church.

ALBERT HARRIS WARE, for many years one of the leading lawyers of Somerset County, Maine, was born on August 7, 1827, in the town of Athens, Me., and was the second son of Abel, Jr., and Elizabeth R. (Thomas) Ware.

Abel Ware, Jr., was born September 11, 1798. He was the son of Abel and Sybil (Spaulding) Ware, of Concord, Me. His paternal grandfather, Dr. Ephraim Ware, of Groton, Mass., who was a Revolutionary soldier, came to Concord, Me., in the latter part of last century.

Abel Ware, Jr., married Elizabeth Ross Thomas, daughter of Dr. Stephen Thomas, a surgeon in the English navy. Mr. Ware was for many years a prominent merchant in the town of Athens, Me. Subsequently he held for ten years a position in the United States Treasury Department at Washington, D.C. He died May 27, 1889. His wife died at Salem, N.Y., August 20, 1882.

Albert Harris Ware early showed great fondness for books and remarkable aptitude in learning. At the age of nineteen he entered Bowdoin College, from which he was graduated in 1849. For several years following he was principal of Topsham Academy, reading

law meanwhile. In 1854 he was admitted to the bar, and began the practice of law in North Anson, Me. His rare scholarship and thorough knowledge of the most intricate points of law soon placed him in the foremost rank of his profession. Strict probity of character and a ready sympathy with the wronged and oppressed won for him many friends and a large legal practice. In his early business life he held the office of Register of Probate in Somerset County for four years, also serving as Supervisor of Schools for several years. In politics he was a Republican. His death, which occurred April 1, 1893, was widely regretted.

Mr. Ware married Harriet E., daughter of Dr. Isaac Palmer, of North Anson. Six children were born to them, of whom three — Albert P., Robert C., and Lillian — died in early childhood. Three — Winifred, Isaac Palmer, and Mary Lillian — attained the age of maturity.

Winifred Ware was born December 19, 1861. She was graduated from Anson Academy in 1880 and from the Maine Wesleyan Seminary in 1884. In the next ensuing years she was preceptress of Anson Academy and first assistant in the high schools of Wareham, Mass., and Skowhegan, Me. On January 19, 1890, she was married to David L. Bodfish, of Wareham, Mass. Their home is in Palmer, Mass., where Mr. Bodfish is a dry-goods merchant. They have two children: Elizabeth, born October 31, 1892; and Robert Ware, born September 8, 1895.

Isaac Palmer Ware was born March 2,

1867. He received his education at Anson Academy, Eaton School, Norridgewock, and Maine Wesleyan Seminary, graduating from the latter in 1884. In 1890 he was graduated as first honor man at Bellevue Medical College, New York. After a year of practice of his profession in Oelrichs, S. Dak., Dr. Ware returned to the East, and passed a successful competitive examination for the position of surgeon in the United States army, receiving his commission in June, 1892. He is now stationed at the Presidio, San Francisco, Cal.

Mary Lillian Ware was born June 1, 1871. She was a member of the class of 1888 in Anson Academy, and was graduated from Maine Wesleyan Seminary in the class of 1890. She was married to Lester V. Bailey, of Worcester, Mass., on August 23, 1893. She died May 1, 1897, leaving one child, Albert Ware Bailey, born January 19, 1896.

JOHN W. SOMES, a contractor and merchant of Mount Desert, Hancock County, was born in the town of Mount Desert, May 16, 1838, son of John and Julia L. (Kittredge) Somes. His first ancestor of whom there is any authentic knowledge was Morris Somes. Born in Gloucester in 1714, Morris became the owner of a tract of land on the east side of Mill River in that town. It is not known how many wives he had, but he was the father of seventeen children. Abraham Somes, son of Morris and great-grandfather of John W., was the first settler

of Mount Desert Island, to which he came on a vessel in 1762. After locating upon a tract of land now known as Somesville he built a log house upon the site of the present Hotel Somes. Besides farming he was engaged in the fishing industry, and was a master mariner. He resided here alone some time before moving his family from Gloucester, and he lived to be over eighty years old. The maiden name of his wife was Hannah Herrick.

John Somes, grandfather of John W., was born in Mount Desert some four or five years after his father settled here, and always lived upon the island. He followed the trades of blacksmith and millwright in connection with farming, and manufactured lumber to some extent during his active period. At his death in 1849 he was eighty-three years old. Previous to the setting-off of Maine he was a Representative to the General Court of Massachusetts in 1812 and 1817, and took a leading part in local affairs. He married Judith Richardson, and reared a family of seven children; namely, John, Judith, Jacob, Abraham, Benjamin, Emily, and Julia Ann. Julia was quite young when she died. John Somes, Jr., the father of John W., was born upon the homestead farm. When a young man he learned the trades of blacksmith and ship-car-penter. He and his brothers built and owned several vessels which were engaged in the foreign trade. The ship-building industry carried on by them was continued by their boys up to the time in which steam took the place of sails and large vessels the place of smaller ones. John Somes was actively concerned in

the town government, and was Postmaster for a period of forty years. He lived to the advanced age of ninety-three. Julia L. Somes, his wife, who was a daughter of William Kittredge, of Billerica, Mass., and died March 28, 1866, became the mother of four children — Judith, John W., Henrietta, and Sarah J. Judith is the widow of Herschel Heath, who left two daughters: Mrs. Catharine L. Pray, who has one daughter, Lucy Emmons; and Mrs. Julia S. Fernald, who has one son, Burton Allen Fernald. Henrietta married Roscoe G. Saulsbury, of Somesville, and has one daughter, Edith E. Saulsbury, who married Hollis Hyson, and has a son, Roscoe H. Sarah J. Somes resides with her brother.

John W. Somes attended the district schools. When a young man he engaged in ship-building, and afterward followed it steadily for about twenty years. The decline of the industry finally caused him to abandon it, and he has since given his attention to agriculture and the manufacture of lumber. His large farm, originally the Reed estate, was purchased by his father, who erected the present buildings. He married Lucy F. Allen, a daughter of Elijah M. Allen, of Ellsworth, Me. His only son, John Allen Somes, married Ada Mary Richardson, daughter of Mark T. and Mary J. Richardson, and has one son, Mark Whiting Somes.

Every year since he was twenty-two years old Mr. Somes has held some town office, being Treasurer and Collector at the present time and a County Commissioner for ten

years. He has just been elected to the State legislature of Maine from the classic towns of Eden, Mount Desert, Tremont, and Cranberry Isles, receiving five-sevenths of all the votes cast. The election occurred September 12, 1898. He is a Master Mason and a member of the local grange, Patrons of Husbandry. His first Presidential vote was cast for Stephen A. Douglas in 1860, and he has since acted with the Republican party.

CAPTAIN CALVIN V. CORNING, commander of the bark "Gleneida" and the senior ship-master hailing from Eastport, Me., was born in Yarmouth, N.S., August 12, 1833, son of David and Bethia (Trask) Corning. His father was born in Yarmouth, July 13, 1803, and his mother was born in the same town. Jonathan Corning, Captain Corning's grandfather, was born and reared in Massachusetts previous to the Declaration of Independence. He was a loyal subject of King George; and at the breaking out of the Revolutionary War he removed to Nova Scotia, settling in Yarmouth, where he resided for the rest of his life. He was a land surveyor and a man of sterling ability and worth. He lived to be about ninety years old.

David Corning, Captain Corning's father, followed the business of a ship-builder in connection with farming, and was closely identified with the public affairs of Yarmouth in his day, serving with ability in various town offices. He was an earnest advocate of the temperance cause, being one of the seven men

who founded the first temperance organization in British North America, and serving as its president for a number of years. In his religious belief he was a Baptist. David Corning died at the age of eighty-one years, and his wife died at sixty-eight. They were the parents of six children, namely: Jesse, who died at the age of twenty years; Captain Thomas Corning, a retired ship-master, residing in Nova Scotia; Samuel, a prosperous farmer of that Province; Calvin V., the subject of this sketch; Captain David W. Corning, of Yarmouth; and Mary S., who resides in Nova Scotia, and is the widow of Captain Lemuel Goudy.

Calvin V. Corning was educated in the public schools of his native town, and at the age of sixteen he began going to sea as ordinary seaman in the West India and European trade. Becoming master of the brig "Helen Mar" at the age of twenty, he continued a few years in the West India trade. In 1856 he started in the ship-building business, and built the full-rigged brig "Acma," the bark "Cora Linn," and the "Jane Young." From the date of his removal to Eastport, in 1858, to the present time, with the exception of a few years as chief mate of the brig "Waredale" with Captain B. Shackford and in the brig "Hobart" with Captain Jordan, he has been master. He has commanded the brig "Waredale," the brig "Emily Fisher," and the barks "J. H. McLarlen," of five hundred and sixty-four tons; "Lyra," five hundred and fourteen tons; and "Gleneida," of seven hundred and eighty-three tons. For the last twenty years he has

sailed mostly on long voyages, as to Europe, the Pacific, to New Zealand, South Africa, and India, and has visited the principal ports of the world. That he has displayed unusually good seamanship is attested by the fact that he has never met with an accident of sufficient gravity to establish a claim against the underwriters, a record of which he has every reason to be proud.

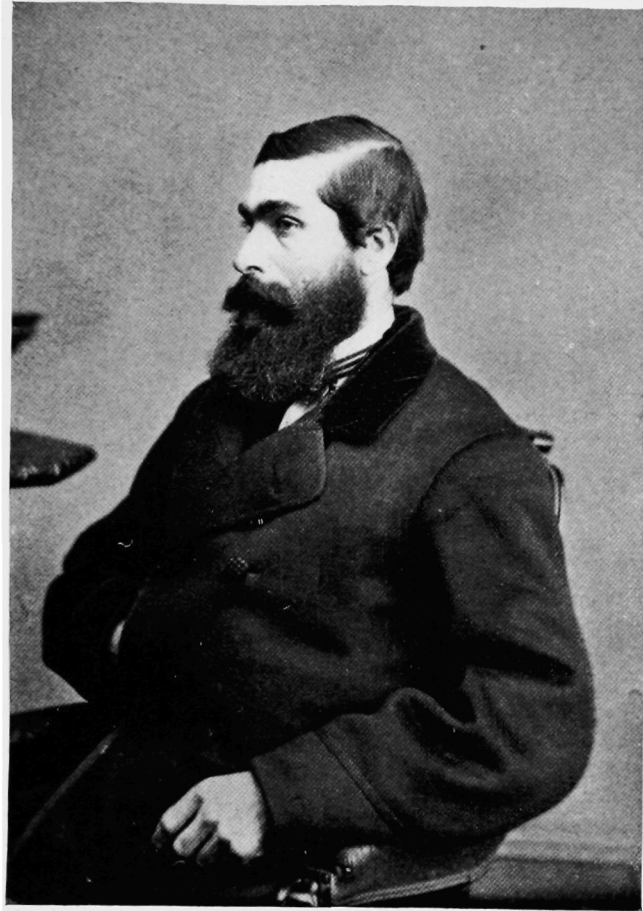
On November 20, 1853, Captain Corning married for his first wife Catharine Goodwin, who was born in Yarmouth, September 9, 1839. She died September 13, 1864, and was buried at sea. On November 5, 1866, he married for his second wife Lucy S. Stevens, daughter of Samuel Stevens, of Eastport. Of his first union were born four children, namely: Jesse C., who died in infancy; Henrietta, who died in Eastport at the age of two years; David W. Corning, a resident of Allston, Mass.; and Annie C., wife of E. R. Benton, of Newton Centre, Mass. The children of his present wife are: Bessie F. and Alice M. Corning, still living; and a daughter Lulu, born June 4, 1871, who died March 11, 1873.

Captain Corning is still actively engaged in the merchant marine service, and is about to depart from New York on a long foreign voyage. The heat of the tropics and the chilling winds of the northern seas have had no visible effect upon his vigorous constitution, and he still retains the strength and agility of youth. He has many friends and acquaintances in different parts of the world, but their interest in his welfare and success can never exceed

that of his neighbors in Eastport, where he has resided since 1858, and where his genial disposition and cordial sociability have made him a general favorite. The Captain is a Republican in politics, and he and Mrs. Corning are members of the Baptist church.

Moses Edwin Garey, a practical and successful agriculturist of Dover, Piscataquis County, was born in Sanford, York County, March 29, 1837, son of Moses and Sarah S. (Emery) Garey. His grandfather, Ebenezer Garey, spent the major part of his life upon a farm in Sanford and his last days in Dover, where he died December 8, 1844, aged seventy years. The maiden name of Ebenezer's wife was Ruth Gowen. She died November 14, 1853, aged seventy-seven. They had ten children, all but one of whom lived to marry and rear families. None are now living.

Moses Garey, father of Moses E., was born in Sanford, March 12, 1799. He was reared to farm life, and resided in his native town until 1837, when he settled in Dover. He reclaimed the farm which his son now occupies, and was one of the stirring men of his day. In politics at first he was a Democrat. Afterward he acted with the Republican party from the time of its formation until his death, which occurred February 28, 1869. In religious belief he was a Congregationalist. His wife, Sarah, who was born in Sanford, December 10, 1801, became the mother of six children. Of these, three are living, namely:



MOSES E. GAREY.

Caleb E., born in Sanford, June 7, 1834, who resides in New York City; Moses E., the subject of this sketch; and Mary E., born in Dover, June 3, 1843, who is the wife of William A. Crockett, of this town. The others were: Leander, born in Kennebunk, Me., August 27, 1827, who was superintendent of construction of N. Y. C. & Hudson River R.R. and N.Y. & Harlem, and died November 24, 1886; Cyrus M., born in Sanford, July 12, 1829, who served in the Civil War, and died April 15, 1865, from the effects of wounds received at the final engagement at Lee's surrender; and William E. Garey, born in Sanford, November 8, 1831, who died November 30, 1857. In his younger days William was a sailor and in the latter part of his life a machinist. Mrs. Moses Garey died March 16, 1886.

Moses Edwin Garey has resided in Dover since the year of his birth. He attended the common schools and the Foxcroft Academy, and completed his studies with a commercial course at Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. While he taught school in his younger days, general farming has been his chief occupation. After his father's death he succeeded to the home farm. The property contains one hundred and fifty acres of excellent tillage land, which he keeps up to a high state of cultivation. He is a member of the Congregational church. In politics he is a Republican. On September 15, 1864, he enlisted in Company C, First New York Regiment, Light Artillery, under Captain David F. Ritchie. He was before Peters-

burg in the winter of 1864 and 1865 and at Farmville soon after Lee's surrender.

SAMUEL BUNKER, a prosperous farmer, stock-raiser, trader, and dealer in real estate, is one of the leading residents of North Anson village, Me. He was born April 11, 1824, in the town of Anson, Somerset County, being the only child of Daniel and Mary (Gould) Bunker. His mother was born in New Portland, Me. She died in October, 1825.

Elijah Bunker, the paternal grandfather of Samuel, was born in Durham, N.H., in 1772. He married Betsey Smith, who was born in Berwick, Me., in 1774, and settled in the town of Barnstead, N.H. In 1779 they came to Vienna, Me.; but in 1810 they removed to Anson, where they cleared a farm from the wilderness, reared a large family in Christian integrity, and died, one in 1850 and the other in 1851. Their children were: Reuben, Elijah, Daniel, Ichabod, Mrs. Betsey Russell, Moses, Mrs. Mary Bray, Mrs. Deborah D. Bradbury, Mrs. Sarah Smith, Mrs. Nancy Gray Williamson, Mrs. Sylvia Blackwell, and Hannah.

Daniel Bunker, father of Samuel, was one of the most progressive and honored citizens of Anson. He was for many years Sheriff of Somerset County, and, as a merchant, lumberman, and public official, was always identified with the best interests of the town. In 1850 he removed to Fairfield, where he resided until his death, in May, 1884, at the vener-

able age of eighty-five years. After the death of his first wife, in 1825, he married Bridget Pelton, of Anson, who died in Fairfield in 1882. Their fourteen children were: Daniel, a merchant of Chicago, who died in 1870; Mary, a distinguished teacher, who died in 1894; Mrs. Naomi Kerr, also a prominent educator, who died in Oakland, Cal., in 1888; Caroline, who died in North Anson in 1841; Bainbridge, who died on the passage from Panama to San Francisco in 1852; Mrs. Martha Gilbreth, of Boston, Mass.; Dumont, who was a Captain in the Nineteenth Maine Regiment, serving during the entire Civil War, and died in Brooklyn, N.Y., in May, 1898; Benjamin, for many years owner and editor of the *Kennebec Democrat*, who died in Waterville in 1895; Mrs. Elizabeth Stratton, of Fairfield; Helen, who died in 1852; Frank, an artist of great promise, who held responsible government positions, and died in Fairfield in 1870; Fred, who holds extensive stock interests in New Mexico; Caroline, an artist in Boston, who has spent much time in study abroad and has exhibited her work in the Paris Salon; Solon, who is engaged in mercantile business in Boston.

Samuel Bunker, the subject of this biography, began his long and active business career at the age of nineteen by purchasing his father's tannery and shoe shop. Later he opened a store of general merchandise in connection with his other interests. He has continued for more than fifty years one of the most energetic and enterprising business men of the town. He deals largely in real estate,

and has built the shank factory, dam, and two fine business blocks, besides several houses in the village. He is an extensive landholder, having realty in Embden, Concord, and Lexington, in Somerset County, besides five hundred acres of land in Anson township. He has brought his farms under the finest cultivation, and raises large numbers of Jersey cattle and sheep. In spite of heavy losses, he is one of the most successful business men of the whole community. As a large employer of labor, he is a most helpful and useful member of society.

In politics he has been a staunch Republican, and has always been prominent in all that tended toward the public good. He served for a number of years as a Deputy Sheriff of Somerset County and during the Civil War as Deputy Provost Marshal of this district. At the age of seventy-four his vigor is hardly diminished, and he still exhibits the resolution and courage in all business undertakings that characterized his youth and have brought so high a degree of success.

Mr. Bunker was married March 28, 1852, to Miss Martha French, only daughter of Joseph and Abigail (Palmer) French, highly esteemed residents of Athens, Me. After Mr. French's death in 1868, Mrs. French, who was a descendant of Governor Dudley and a woman of rare powers of mind and character, resided with her daughter till her death in 1893, at the advanced age of ninety. Before her marriage Mrs. Bunker was a very successful teacher. She is a woman of culture and strong character and an active worker in re-

ligious and temperance circles, having been for many years a vice-president of the Maine W. C. T. U. Mr. and Mrs. Bunker's six children are: Nellie, the wife of E. B. Cushman, a real estate dealer at Long Beach, Cal.; Samuel, who died in 1869; Charles, formerly a member of the Chicago Board of Trade, now engaged in insurance business in San Francisco; Abbie, the wife of B. F. Weston, a large land-owner in Santa Clara, Cal.; Frederick, who still remains in the old home as his father's partner; and Minnie, who was graduated from the University of California, and has been a teacher in the high schools of Denver and Oakland, Cal.

[Editorial.] A little research among the family records and printed genealogies reveals the fact, too interesting and important to be passed over unnoted in a work of this kind, that Mrs. Bunker may rightfully claim among her maternal ancestors not only Governor Dudley, mentioned above, but also Governor John Winthrop, whose daughter Mary by his first wife, Mary Forth, married about 1632 the Rev. Samuel Dudley, son of Governor Thomas Dudley. The line was thus continued: Ann Dudley, born in 1641, fifth child of the Rev. Samuel by his first wife, Mary Winthrop, married Edward Hilton, Jr. (son of Edward, Sr., one of the original settlers of New Hampshire). Dudley Hilton, son of Edward and Ann, married Mercy Hall. Elizabeth Hilton, daughter of Dudley, married Christopher Robinson; and their daughter, Elizabeth Robinson, married in 1747 at Milton, N.H., Major Barnabas Palmer, who lost

an arm at the capture of Louisburg in 1745. Dudley Palmer, son of Barnabas and Elizabeth (Robinson) Palmer, married Abigail Pickering; and they were the parents of Abigail Palmer, who became the wife of Joseph French and the mother of Martha, now Mrs. Bunker.

COLONEL WALTER G. MORRILL, of Pittsfield, the proprietor of Union Trotting Park and a prominent business man, was born in Williamsburg, this State, November 13, 1840, son of Aaron H. and Eliza A. (Willard) Morrill. The father, who was a native of Sebec, Me., spent the most of his life in Williamsburg, engaged in farming, and died there in 1883. He was active in the discharge of his duties as a citizen, and served his fellow-townsmen as Selectman, Collector of Taxes, and in other important offices. His wife, who was born in Brownville, died in 1886. Both were attendants of the Congregational church. Their children were: Helen M., Francis B., Walter G., M. Augusta, John W., Adelaide M., and E. Leslie, all of whom were educated in the public schools. Helen M. has been twice married, successively to Richard Hughes and M. Jones. She now resides in Brownville, where Mr. Jones is engaged in the manufacture of slate. Francis B., who married Rebecca Lord, died in 1859. His widow resides in Maxfield, Me. M. Augusta, who married Ira P. Wing, a machinist, lives at Monson. John W., who follows the occupations of butcher and farmer, first married Nora Lord,

of Brownville, and then a Miss Randall. Adelaide M. is the wife of F. E. Brown, of Brownville, who is now a book-keeper in Marlboro, Mass. E. Leslie, who is an engraver, married Alice Getchell, of Sebec, Me.

Having resided with his parents until his twenty-first year, Walter G. Morrill enlisted at Brownville as a private in Company A of the Sixth Maine Regiment, under Colonel Abner Knowles and Captain M. W. Brown. After spending fifteen months with this regiment, which was ordered to Virginia, he joined Company B of the Twentieth Regiment on October 7, 1862, and thereafter served with it until discharged on June 26, 1865. Besides many skirmishes and minor engagements Colonel Morrill was in the battles fought at Ashby's Gap, Drainsville, in front of Yorktown, at Williamsburg, Gaines's Mill, Fair Oaks, Malvern Hill, Antietam, Bull Run (second time), Blackman's Ford, the two at Fredericksburg, at Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Rappahannock Station, Mine Run, the Wilderness, Kelly's Ford, Spottsylvania, Chickahominy, Petersburg, Yellow Farm, Poplar Grove Church, Hatcher's Run, Boydentown Plank Road, Hatcher's Run (second time), Weldon Road, Gravelly Run, Five Forks, and Appomattox Courthouse. This list is a testimonial upon which any soldier might look with pride, and cannot, probably, be equalled by more than a few veterans of the late war. At the battle of Mine Run, in 1863, the Colonel was shot in the leg; at the battle of the Wilderness, on May 5, 1864, he was shot through the head

by a minie-ball; and at Boydentown Plank Road he was shot in the breast.

After his discharge Colonel Morrill bought a farm near Hampden. He had run it for a year, when he sold out. Then he opened a variety store in Brownville, which he conducted for another year. He then started the Highland Slate Quarry in Brownville, and sold out again at the end of a year, this being in 1868. From 1868 to 1876 he was engaged in speculating, and from 1876 to 1885 he was the landlord of the Exchange Hotel at Dexter, Me. Having sold out the hotel, he came in 1885 to Pittsfield, and bought the livery business which he manages. Subsequently he disposed of it, but in July, 1896, he bought it back, and has since conducted it successfully. He now owns seventeen horses, including the fine trotting mare, Linnie G., which has made a record of 2.20. He had previously owned at various times the following well-known racing horses: Camorse, marked 2.25 1-4; Surprise, 2.28 1-4; Plumed Knight, 26 3-4; Aroostook Boy, 30 1-2; St. Lawrence, 23 1-4; Berdan, 30 1-2; Ansel W., 26 1-4; Charlie Rolfe, 29 1-4; and Elder Boone, 2.20 1-4. In 1893 he purchased Union Trotting Park, a half-mile track, which he has since greatly improved. He devotes considerable time to the care and management of this, and intends to keep up its reputation as a first-class race track.

Colonel Morrill has been three times married. The first occasion was in May, 1864, when he wedded Rachel S. Carle, of Hampden, Me., daughter of John C. Carle, a sea

captain. About two years after she died. The second marriage was contracted in June, 1870, with Amanda M. Berry, of Brownville, who died in 1883. The Colonel was married the third time in 1884 to Jennie W. Collins, of Brewer, Me., daughter of Elias B. Collins, a well-known carpenter of that town. By the first marriage there was one son, Fred C., who is now a travelling salesman in the West for R. H. White & Co., of Boston, and the father of two children — Carle and Berry. James B. Morrill, the Colonel's son by his second marriage, is a book-keeper in Schenectady, N.Y. Colonel Morrill is a member of the Knights of Pythias, of Dexter; of Meridian Lodge, No. 125, F. & A. M., of Pittsfield; of Silver Lake Encampment, I. O. O. F., of Dexter; and of Stephen Davis Post, G. A. R. In April, 1898, the Colonel was presented by Congress with a gold medal of honor, upon which is inscribed, "The Congress to Colonel Walter G. Morrill, Twentieth Maine Infantry, for gallantry at Rappahannock Station, Va., November 7, 1863."

CHARLES FOLSOM-JONES, of Skowhegan, Me., was born in Holden, Penobscot County, July 30, 1848, the son of Luther and Joanna Weeks (Folsom) Jones. He comes of patriotic Colonial stock, numbering among his ancestors in various lines early settlers in Rhode Island, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts and Revolutionary soldiers. On his father's side he is of remote Welsh descent.

His paternal grandfather, who bore the name Elisha, was born April 20, 1756, in Cumberland, R.I. Elisha Jones enlisted in the Continental army, and accompanied Arnold's expedition up the Kennebec until a portion of the command was returned. Later he was in some severe battles, including that of Long Island in August, 1776, when General Sullivan and Lord Sterling were made prisoners. John Barrows, of Plymouth, Mass., who had a wife, Deborah, and his son Ebenezer, who married Elizabeth Lyon, of Attleboro, who came from Worcester, were ancestors of Elisha Jones. He died in Brewer, Me., July 18, 1808. His wife, Patience Fisher, was born in Walpole, Mass., September 10, 1766. She was a daughter of Isaac Fisher, whose descent has been traced through seven generations to her English forefathers, and a granddaughter of the Rev. Samuel Mann, whose congregation in Wrentham was broken up by the great Indian war. She died December 25, 1836, at the home of one of her sons, the Rev. Elijah Jones, in Minot, Me.

Luther Jones, father of Charles F., resided on a farm near Holden Centre, Me. He was born July 27, 1785, and died on his seventy-first birthday, July 27, 1856, at Holden. He was a stirring farmer and man of affairs, well informed upon the current topics of the day, and was a useful citizen. He was twice married, first to Lucy Nye, who died December 13, 1842, leaving several children. One son, Captain Elisha Jones, of Brewer, was killed at the first battle of Bull Run in 1861. On February 14, 1845, Luther Jones was married

to Mrs. Joanna W. F. Stevenson, the widow of James Stevenson. Her parents were Jeremiah and Octavia (Howe) Folsom. Her maiden name was Joanna Weeks Folsom. She was born September 22, 1808, and died at Skowhegan, January 6, 1884. She was first married May 6, 1827, to James Stevenson, who was born February 19, 1803, and died February 23, 1841, and by whom she had several children. One of these, a son, William H. Stevenson, has been for some years the publisher of *The Central Law Journal* of St. Louis, Mo. Charles F. was the only child born of this second union.

Through his mother Charles Folsom-Jones is a descendant in the eighth generation of John and Mary (Gilman) Folsom, who came from England in 1638, resided for some years at Hingham, Mass., and thence removed to Exeter, N.H. From them the line was continued through Deacon John,² who married Abigail Perkins, daughter of Abraham Perkins, of Hampton, N.H.; Jeremiah,³ who with his wife, Elizabeth, settled south of New Market village, N.H.; Jeremiah, Jr.,⁴ who was born in New Market, N.H., July 25, 1719; Levi,⁵ born in 1753, who married Joanna Weeks; to Jeremiah,⁶ the father of Joanna Weeks Folsom, who became the wife of Luther Jones.

Jeremiah Folsom, Jr., great-grandfather of Mrs. Jones, "was a ship-builder, a civil officer of importance, a Captain in 1775; and as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1776 petitions for his removal, without reasons, were presented owing to dissensions among the officers, prob-

ably younger men. Some of the legislature tried in vain to reconcile the parties. He refused to resign or to meet them, and was dismissed, and no charges recorded. (See Provincial Papers (N.H.), vol. vii.; also vol. viii, State Papers.) He was a man not easily moved when he had a fixed opinion, a follower of Whitefield, zealous in attending worship, and classed among the New Lights, most of whom in the end became Baptists. He was a member of the Fourth Provincial Congress, that met in Exeter in May, 1775." He died in 1802.

Levi Folsom, grandfather of Mrs. Jones, served a while in the Revolutionary army, and afterward received a pension. About two years after marriage he removed to Tamworth, N.H., and he died there June 21, 1844. He had been brought up in easy circumstances, but became poor. His wife, Joanna, was a daughter of Colonel John and Martha (Wingate) Weeks. She was fond of books and reading, and devoted no little time and thought to the education of her children. Her father was a physician. He was a son of Captain Joshua and Comfort (Hubbard) Weeks and grandson of Leonard Weeks, who settled at what is now Greenland, N.H.

Jeremiah Folsom⁶ was born September 16, 1780, and died in Skowhegan (then Bloomfield), December 14, 1859. He married April 4, 1805, Octavia Howe, who was born October 12, 1786, and died in Skowhegan, September 6, 1872. Her mother's maiden name was Puffer. Two of her brothers were captured by the Indians. The blue-eyed one

they killed. The black-eyed one was held prisoner for years, and finally redeemed. The Puffer and Howe families were also active in Colonial and Revolutionary times.

Jeremiah and Octavia (Howe) Folsom had ten children. One of their sons, the brothers of Mrs. Jones, was Levi H. Folsom, who was a prominent citizen of Skowhegan and Bloomfield in his day, a farmer, a lumberman, and for years a Selectman of the town, whom he represented in the legislature. Another was W. H. C. Folsom, who went to Minnesota, where he was an extensive lumberman. He was the author of "Fifty Years in the Northwest." (The Folsom and Weeks Genealogies have been published by the Rev. Jacob Chapman, one of the family living at Exeter, N.H.)

Charles Folsom-Jones was nine years old when, the year after his father's death, his mother removed from Bangor to Skowhegan, the home of many members of her family. His education was begun in the public schools, where he was in advance of his fellow-pupils of the same age. His studies were completed at Bloomfield Academy.

He joined the volunteer defenders of the Union in 1864, before he was sixteen years of age, and carried a musket in the Army of the Potomac, taking part in General Grant's campaigns in Virginia, from the Wilderness to the siege of Petersburg, until he was discharged in 1865. On the day after his return home he entered the insurance business as a clerk for Tilson H. Dinsmore and Manley W. Turner, who had reserved the position for

him. In 1880 he started in the business for himself, and he has since carried it on very successfully. As an expert accountant he has had something to do with the affairs of different corporations and individuals.

With the exception of short stays in the West and a residence in his youth of about a year among relatives in Minnesota, he has resided in Skowhegan over forty years, becoming identified with the town's interests and proud of its progressiveness and prosperity. He served as librarian of the public library for some thirteen years, longer than any previous incumbent. He was commissioned a Notary Public before his majority, and later a Justice of the Peace and Quorum. The prosecution of soldiers' claims as attorney and the negotiation of mortgages have also occupied his time. He has assisted largely in naming and numbering streets, and the street map of Skowhegan was published by him. In the Grand Army of the Republic he has filled many offices, including that of Assistant Adjutant-general of the Department of Maine in 1892, when the organization turned out in its largest force at the National Encampment at Washington. He is also a member of the Union Veterans' Union, Somerset Lodge, F. & A. Masons; and of the Sons of the American Revolution. Three ancestors at least served in the Revolutionary War.

Mr. Jones has been married twice. His first wife was Myra Drummond Jordan, of Brunswick, born in Casco, Me., whom he married July 31, 1867. Fond of literary pursuits, she was connected with him in the pub-

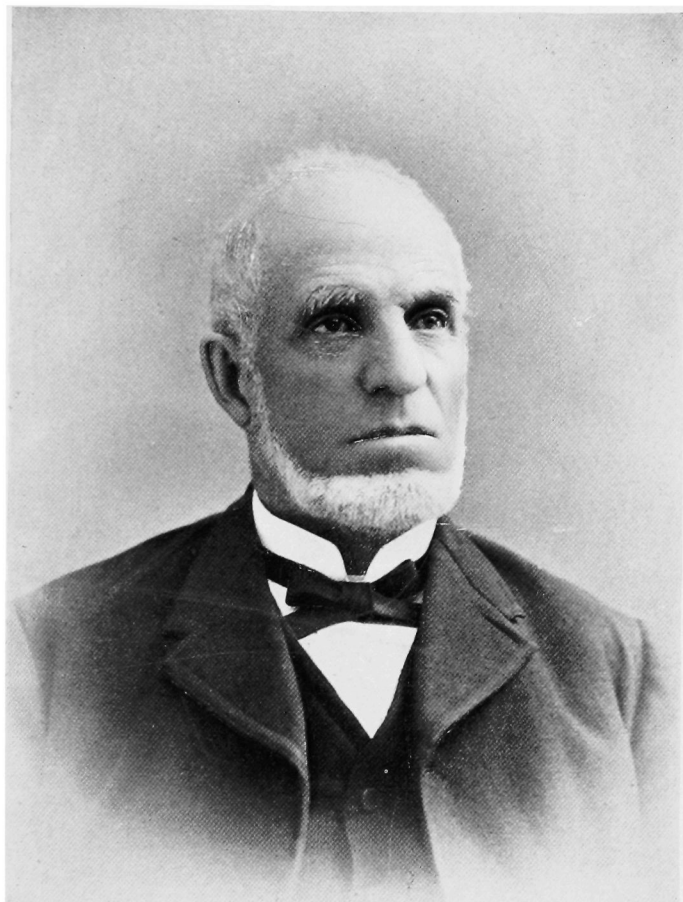
lic library, and was the first secretary of the Woman's Club of Skowhegan. Her mother was a Woodman. Mrs. Myra D. J. Jones died January 9, 1885, much beloved by her friends and associates. He married February 3, 1886, for his second wife, Lillie Rockefeller, of New York State, who was born May 1, 1864, and was the widow of Hardy Ropes Sewall and the mother of one child, a daughter named Pearl, born July 16, 1883. By the second marriage are two children—Roy Rockefeller Jones, born February 4, 1887, and Otto Rockefeller Jones, born April 11, 1892. The family are all now living, in 1898, at "The Terraces," their beautiful home on Middle Road, a picture of which can be found among the views in the album of Skowhegan, Me.

THE M. G. SHAW LUMBER COMPANY, of Greenville, is one of the prominent enterprises of Piscataquis County. It was originated and placed on a firm financial footing by Milton G. Shaw, of Bath, who is president of the company; and it is managed by himself and his three sons—Charles D., Albert H., and William M. Albert H. Shaw is the treasurer of the company, and Charles D. Shaw is the assistant treasurer.

Milton G. Shaw was born in the town of Industry, Franklin County, Me., December 31, 1820. In 1845 he came to Greenville to engage in the lumber business, and for some time he was in the hotel business in company with Mr. Josiah Hinckley. After that

Mr. Shaw was in lumbering, and, first founding the firm long known as M. G. Shaw & Sons, eventually developed the flourishing concern which bears the name of the M. G. Shaw Lumber Company, and was incorporated as such in 1897. His sons are all able business men. The lumber company of which they are members owns large tracts of timber land in the State of Maine. The lumber is manufactured in Bath, and the headquarters of the company are in Greenville. Milton G. Shaw is the president of the Coburn Steamboat Company of Moosehead Lake, of which his son, Charles D., is a director. In the fifty years of his residence in Greenville he did much toward the upbuilding of the town. Shaw's Block is one of the handsomest business structures in the village of Greenville. While making a name in financial circles, Mr. Shaw was also active in politics. He held many town offices, and represented the district in the legislature in 1859.

Mr. Milton G. Shaw is now living in Bath, Me. He was married on June 6, 1847, to Eunice S. Hinckley, who was born January 6, 1824, and died June 1, 1896. She is survived by four children; namely, Charles D., Albert H., William M., and Mary E. Mellen Shaw, an older son than either of the above named, was born May 27, 1849. From 1865 to 1871 he engaged in the lumber business with outside parties. He then became one of the firm of Shaw Brothers, consisting of Milton G., Mellen, and Charles D. Shaw, and continued in business until his death, which occurred March 3, 1880. His wife,



MILTON G. SHAW.

formerly Miss Mary Ella Mitchell, of Greenville, died in 1894, leaving one daughter, Nellie A., born June 9, 1877, who resides in Greenville.

Charles D. Shaw was born in Greenville, April 5, 1852. He was educated in the schools of this town, at Monson Academy, and at Waitt's Business College, Augusta. He early began to take an active interest in the lumber business, and his energy and enterprise have contributed largely toward the success of the company of which he is the assistant treasurer. He was married in 1874 to Clara F. Norcross, of Bangor, Me., and has one son, Henry M., now a member of the firm of Bigney & Shaw, manufacturers of lumber, who was born in Greenville, September 10, 1876. In politics Mr. Charles D. Shaw is a Democrat. He has served on the Greenville Board of Selectmen, and has filled other town offices. He is a member of Columbia Lodge, No. 200, F. & A. M., of Greenville; St. John's Commandery, No. 3, of Bangor, Me., Aleppo Temple, N. M. S.; New England Lodge, No. 125, I. O. O. F., of Greenville; K. of P., of Bangor, Consistory of Portland; and Moosehead Lake Lodge, No. 46, A. O. U. W., of Greenville.

Albert H. Shaw was born April 21, 1857. He received his education at the schools in Greenville, Norridgewock, and Westbrook. After completing his education he was employed in the store of David T. Sanders & Co., of Greenville, of which his father was a member. In 1878 the old firm was dissolved, and the new firm was called M. G. Shaw & Sons.

Albert H. then assumed the business management. In 1883 he removed to Bath, where he with his father superintended the construction of the company's mill, which they have since managed. He belongs to the Columbia Lodge, Piscataquis Chapter, Dunlap Commandery, Aleppo Temple, and K. of P., of Bath. He was married August 19, 1879, to Mattie E. Mansell, of Greenville. They have one child, Madelyn, who was born February 4, 1889.

William M. Shaw was born March 3, 1861. His education was obtained in the public schools of Greenville and in the academy at Norridgewock. Returning to Greenville in the fall of 1879, he entered the store, where he remained a year. In January, 1881, he went to Dead River to the township of Chain of Ponds, which had been purchased by his father, taking charge of that branch of the business until May, 1896. At the end of that time the company disposed of the township to Lawrence Newhall & Co.; and William M. Shaw returned to Greenville, where he has since been attending to the woods end of the business, having charge of the operations in Squaw Mountain township, which was purchased by the company in 1896. He belongs to Columbia Lodge, F. & A. M., of Greenville; Dunlap Commandery, Aleppo Temple; New England Lodge, I. O. O. F.; and Moosehead Lake Lodge, A. O. U. W., of Greenville. He is also a member of the Knights of Pythias, of Bangor; Piscataquis Chapter, No. 21, of Dover; Dunlap Commandery, No. 5, of Bath; Aleppo Temple, of

Boston; Bangor Chapter, Rose Croix, Valley of Bangor, and Consistory of Portland. He was married on October 24, 1884, to Miss Ida J. Mansell, of Greenville, and has one son, Hugh E., who was born in 1885.

Mary E. Shaw is the wife of F. H. Kimball, of Bath. Their union has been blessed by two children: Priscilla, born March 13, 1895; and Milton G. S., born September 24, 1896.

GEORGE W. PATTEN, a prosperous farmer of Pittsfield, Somerset County, Me., and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in this town, May 20, 1841, son of Moody T. and Hannah F. (Homestead) Patten. His father was born in Skowhegan in 1805, and his mother was born in the same town in 1810. His paternal grandfather was Joseph C. Patten, a farmer of Skowhegan, whose wife was Betsey Southards. His maternal grandfather was Abel Homestead, also of Skowhegan, who married Miss Sibyl Oaks.

Immediately after his marriage, in 1830, Moody T. Patten settled upon a farm in West Pittsfield, where he resided until his death, which occurred March 7, 1880. His wife died August 31, 1893. They were the parents of ten children; namely, Seth H., Benjamin F., Joshua A., Sibyl H., Harriet H., Frances A., Abel H., Oscar, Josiah, and George W. Seth H., born July 4, 1831, married Rilla Mayo, and for many years has resided upon a farm in North Chelmsford, Mass. Benjamin F., born January 30, 1835, died December 22, 1886. He married

Laurinda W. Richardson, and his widow is now residing in Boston. Joshua A. Patten, born August 16, 1836, resides at the old homestead in Pittsfield. Sibyl H. was born in 1838, and died November 24, 1859. Harriet H., who was born in 1842 and died November 5, 1867, was the wife of George W. Wright, who resides in Lewiston. Frances A. Patten, who was born in 1844, married Hazen McNalley, and died November 16, 1870; and he is no longer living. Abel H. Patten, born December 10, 1845, married Mary H. Tuttle, and is a farmer in Skowhegan. Oscar Patten, born in 1850, died January 1, 1861. Josiah, born in 1852, died October 5, 1863.

George W. Patten, the subject of this sketch, acquired a common-school education, and at an early age he began to assist his father upon the farm. When seventeen years old he became a saw-mill operative, and worked in Lewiston, Vassalboro, and Old Town, Me., for some years. On August 14, 1862, he enlisted in Company H, Sixteenth Maine Volunteers, and participated in all the battles of the regiment from Antietam to Gettysburg. He was slightly wounded in the last named engagement and taken prisoner. He was mustered out with his regiment at Augusta, June 5, 1865. For two years after leaving the army he worked in the mills in Old Town; and in 1867 he returned to Pittsfield, where he engaged in farming. He now owns one hundred and fifty acres of excellent tillage and pasture land, which he devotes to general farming and the raising of sheep.

He has erected a new stable, besides making many other improvements in his property.

On August 20, 1870, Mr. Patten married Ellen H. Jewett, born at Corinna, Me., March 17, 1844, daughter of Shepard S. and Mary (Pooler) Jewett, the former of whom was an industrious farmer, and resided in Mayfield and Corinna the major part of his life. Mr. and Mrs. Patten have four children, namely: Arthur L., born June 20, 1871, who lives at the parental home; Minnie Blanche, born October 25, 1875, now a teacher in the public schools of this town; Leila M., born May 10, 1878, now a clerk in a dry-goods store here; and Kate E., born October 8, 1880, who also is a school teacher.

In politics Mr. Patten is Republican. He has served the town with ability as Selectman and Road Commissioner, and is now serving his sixth year on the School Board. He is a member and Past Commander of Stephen Davis Post, No. 11, of Pittsfield; also a member and Past Master of Pittsfield Grange, No. 102. Mr. and Mrs. Patten attend the Universalist church.

JOHN F. HESCOCK, who for many years carried on general farming in Abbot, was born in Wilton, Me., August 1, 1832, son of Samuel and Polly (Learnard) HescocK. His parents were among the earliest settlers in Abbot, coming here previous to the construction of county roads. They located upon a large tract of land in the north-eastern part of the town. Samuel Hes-

cock cleared and improved a good farm, upon which he resided for the rest of his life. Both he and his wife lived to a good old age. They were the parents of seven children, three of whom are living; namely, Joseph L., Rinda, and Gustavus B. HescocK. The others were: John F., Melvina, Samuel T., and Jesse.

John F. HescocK was reared and educated in Abbot. When a young man he bought a farm of one hundred acres, situated in the vicinity of his father's property. Prosperous in general farming, he enlarged his farm to double its original size, and he was actively engaged in its cultivation until his death, which occurred July 30, 1889. Prominent in public affairs, he served as a member of the Board of Selectmen for several years, and was highly esteemed for his upright character and other commendable qualities. In politics he supported the Republican party. In religious belief he was a Universalist.

On October 18, 1863, Mr. HescocK was joined in marriage with Jennie O. S. Faunce, who was born in Abbot, October 1, 1842, daughter of Ira and Sally (Holmes) Faunce. Mrs. HescocK's parents, both natives of Oxford County, were pioneer settlers in Abbot, where her father cleared and improved the large farm that is still known as the Faunce homestead. He was for years one of the prosperous farmers of Abbot, respected for his natural ability and amiable disposition. While he favored the liberal doctrines of the Universalists, he was ever ready to aid all other religious denominations. His home

was the favorite abiding-place of visiting clergymen. In politics he was a Republican. He died in 1861. His wife, Sally, became the mother of twelve children, five of whom are living, namely: Mrs. Mary Cleaves, Mrs. Orinda Brown, and Mrs. Hescok, all of Abbot; Mrs. Eliza Cleaves, of East Sangerville; and Granville Faunce, who resides in the State of Washington. The others were: Hannah, Polly, Ira, Edwin, Sarah, and two others who died in infancy. The mother died in 1879. She was a Calvinist Baptist.

Since the death of her husband Mrs. Hescok has ably managed the farm with the assistance of her children. Besides raising the customary crops, she keeps twelve head of cattle — Jerseys, Holsteins, and Durhams — twenty-five sheep, and two horses. Formerly she sent her milk to the creamery in Guilford, but since the discontinuance of that establishment she makes her own butter and cheese. She has had eleven children, of whom four are deceased, namely: Samuel T., who died April 13, 1881; an infant, who died October 31, 1885; Chester N., who died January 26, 1887; and Minnie P., who married Seldon D. Rice, and died March 12, 1888. The others are: Ulysses G., born March 4, 1869; Charles H., born June 16, 1870; Everett E., born November 8, 1872; Frank L., born June 15, 1874; Harry A., born February 6, 1877; Maud E., born August 26, 1878; and Isabelle M., born March 6, 1884. These all reside in Abbot except Charles H. Hescok, who is engaged in farming in Foxcroft. Mrs. Hescok possesses the energy and busi-

ness ability necessary to meet the emergency in which she was placed by the unexpected death of her husband, and the capable manner in which she is fulfilling her duties has won the sincere admiration of her neighbors and acquaintances. She attends the Universalist church.

SAMUEL W. LAWTON, of Skowhegan, Somerset County, formerly one of the most extensive manufacturers of barrel hoops in Maine, was born in Windsor, Kennebec County, January 4, 1823. It is related of his father, Jonathan Lawton, that, when sailing on his own vessel from Nantucket to the coast of Maine, a privateer attacked and destroyed his ship, though he managed to escape. The father afterward became one of the first settlers of Windsor, where he followed the blacksmith's trade, cultivated a farm, and was engaged in lumbering, the principal business of the place. Also active in public affairs, he served as a Selectman; and he was a Deacon of the Baptist church. He died at the age of fifty-nine years. His second wife, a daughter of Stephen Truss, of Windsor, became the mother of three sons and five daughters, of whom the sons are living.

Samuel W. Lawton attended school in Windsor. After completing his studies he was engaged in lumbering until failing health cause him to withdraw from that business. Afterward for about three years he was employed in a general store at Augusta. On July 5, 1847, he engaged in a general mer-

chandise business in Chelsea, Me. At that time he owned a portion of the present government reservation at Togus, occupied by the Soldiers' Home. While residing in Chelsea he started in the cooperage business, which has since been his chief occupation. After selling his store in that town he conducted a store, and continued the manufacture of hoops in Belgrade, Me., until 1859. Then he removed to Skowhegan, purchased a general store, and thereafter gave his main attention to the manufacture of hoops. It is claimed that for fifty years he was the largest manufacturer of hoops in the State of Maine, finding a ready market in Portland and Boston. To Boston alone he sent an average of two hundred thousand annually for use on dry-goods cases. In 1865 he and E. S. Prescott, in the firm of Lawton & Prescott, engaged in a mercantile business, which was carried on until 1878. Then Mr. Lawton retired from the firm. He still conducts his hoop factory solely for the purpose of furnishing employment to his men, but expects soon to close it up. He has been a director of both the Somerset Fire Insurance Company and the Coburn Woollen Mill Company in Skowhegan, and he was an incorporator of the Skowhegan Savings Bank.

Originally a Whig in politics, Mr. Lawton later supported the Republican party for a time. He now takes an independent course, invariably declining public office. Although the damage sustained by his father at the hands of the French privateersman furnished excellent ground for claiming a share of the

French Spoliation award, he has never taken any action in the matter. He is a member of Somerset Lodge, No. 34, F & A. M.; of Somerset Chapter, No. 15, Royal Arch Masons; of Mount Moriah Council, No. 10, Royal and Select Masters; and of De Molay Commandery, Knights Templar. In August, 1849, he was united in marriage with Sarah Laribee, a daughter of Eben Laribee, of Unity, Me. She died in March, 1885, leaving two children: a daughter who resides at home; and a son, who is a musician in Charleston, S.C. Mr. Lawton's religious views are liberal.

RUSSELL BENNETT, a wealthy lumberman of Danforth, Washington County, and an ex-member of the legislature, son of Samuel and Nancy (Getchell) Bennett, was born in Pittsfield, Somerset County, May 31, 1823. The paternal grandfather, also named Samuel, who was a Revolutionary soldier, went from Massachusetts to Oxford County, Maine, settling upon a farm in the town of Paris. After residing there for many years, he spent his last days in Pittsfield, attaining the age of eighty years. The father, a native of Massachusetts, accompanied his father to Maine, and there became connected with the lumbering industry. He resided in Pittsfield, where he was one of the most active business men of his day. His untimely death, which occurred when he was thirty-five years old, cut short an unusually bright and promising career. His wife,

Nancy, who was a native of Kennebec County, had four children, namely: Emily, who became the wife of Isaac Simons, and died at the age of seventy-four years; Eliza, now Mrs. Wyman, of Palmyra, Me.; Russell, the subject of this sketch; and S. Allen Bennett, also of Palmyra. The mother died at the age of thirty years.

Left an orphan at the age of four years, Russell Bennett had but little schooling. He had been working for his support in the family of one William Trask when at the age of eighteen he became a river driver upon the Penobscot. This occupation, together with working in the woods and in the saw-mills, constituted his employment for some years. At the age of twenty-one he had saved a sufficient amount of his earnings to purchase a seventy-four-acre farm in Pittsfield, which he cultivated summers, while his winters were devoted to lumbering operations. Later he moved to a larger farm, and in 1868 to Palmyra, where he resided at Lambert Lake, and was occupied in manufacturing lumber. Since 1886 he has resided in Danforth. He formerly conducted a general store in this town, but withdrew from mercantile business some time since, preferring to give his entire energy to the lumber manufacturing industry. He is also a member of the firm of Hathorn, Foss & Co., which owns three mills, one at Danforth, and two on the line of the Bangor & Aroostook Railway, devoted to the manufacture of orange and lemon boxes for the Mediterranean trade. This firm, which is one of the largest concerns engaged in what is known

as the shook industry, employs about one hundred men the year around, and ships several large cargoes of boxes annually from Bangor to Sorrento, Palermo, and Messina.

In 1844 Mr. Bennett was joined in marriage with Lucy Rogers, of Pittsfield, who died in 1891. Of their three children, the only one living is Horace A., who was born in Pittsfield, March 18, 1861. Mrs. Bennett died in 1891. He is interested in the firm of Hathorn & Foss, and is one of the leading business men of Danforth. At the present time he is a member of the School Committee, and he represented the "Wild Cat" district in the State legislature in 1888 and 1889. For some time he has been affiliated with the I. O. O. F. On February 23, 1884, he married Mae Farnham, a daughter of Samuel Farnham, of Palmyra, and now has one daughter, Addie I., who was born May 4, 1888. Russell Bennett is a Republican in politics. During the years 1865 and 1866 he was a Representative to the legislature from Somerset County. His religious opinions are liberal. He is unquestionably a self-made man, as his success in life is wholly the result of his own ability and perseverance.

BENJAMIN LAKE NOYES, M.D., a successful physician of Stonington, Deer Island, was born in Lisbon Falls, Me., May 31, 1870, son of Dr. George B. and Sarah E. (Lake) Noyes. His paternal great-grandfather was Joshua Noyes, of Rowley, Mass., which was the birthplace

of David J. Noyes, the grandfather, who was born in Rowley, when a young man located as a pioneer in Atkinson, Piscataquis County, Me., and also prevailed upon his parents to join the early settlers of that town. Joshua and David J. bought a large tract of land, which they cleared and cultivated into a good farm. David married Nancy Barney, a daughter of Charles and Susan (Hanson) Barney, of Atkinson, Me.

George B. Noyes, father of Benjamin L., was born in Atkinson. After finishing his general school education, he decided to enter the medical profession. Prior to the completion of his studies, however, he enlisted in Company K, Eleventh Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, going to the front as Sergeant. He was honorably discharged, September 21, 1862, on account of illness. On February 25, 1864, he re-enlisted as hospital steward, and, being made acting assistant surgeon, served in that capacity until being mustered out in 1865. He then resumed his studies, and was graduated at Bowdoin Medical School in 1866. Locating at Lisbon Falls, Me., he resided there until 1871. He then removed to the Island of Grand Manan, N.B., where he practised his profession for over twenty years. During that time he spent several winters in Florida, where also he engaged in practice. Since 1893 he has resided in Charleston, Penobscot County, Me. He is known as an able physician and surgeon and a citizen of much worth to the community in which he lives. He is a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife,

Sarah E. Noyes, bore him nine children, namely: Benjamin L., the subject of this sketch; David J.; Abbie V.; Florence M.; George B., Jr.; Galen C. Noyes; and three other sons who died in youth. Abbie V. married Walter G. Tompkins, of New York, and has one son, Percival N. Tompkins. David J. married Leonora Webb, daughter of Charles Webb, of Stonington, and has one son, Reginald Webb Noyes.

Benjamin Lake Noyes obtained his elementary education in the district schools of Canada. He subsequently studied medicine under the direction of his father. After pursuing a course of study at a college of pharmacy he became a registered druggist in Florida in 1892, and in the following year he passed a successful examination before the Massachusetts Board of Pharmacy. He attended medical lectures at Bowdoin College, and was a member of the staff at the Baron Hirsch Hospital, Boston, in the summer of 1894, and availed himself of every opportunity to increase his knowledge of his profession. Since locating in Stonington he has established a high reputation as a physician and surgeon, and is to a certain extent a specialist in the sciences of obstetrics and gynecology. He is a member of the Eastern Maine Medical Association and the Florida State Pharmaceutical Association, and he is local medical examiner for the Ancient Order of United Workmen, as well as for many other insurance companies. While residing in Florida he served as first officer of the Davenport Expedition, 1890-91, throughout tropical America,

for zoological research and investigation of the etiological factors in the production of miasmatic diseases. During this period and the years following he became well versed in the ornithology and oology of Eastern America, and also from practice an adept in taxidermy as well.

Dr. Noyes inherits in a large degree the mechanical ingenuity, artistic taste, and musical talent characteristic of his family. A clever banjoist, he also plays well upon the violin, mandolin, piano, flute, piccolo, fife, harmonica, tenor drum, and other minor instruments, and his skill is frequently a source of pleasure to friends or guests whom he entertains at his hospitable home.

A connoisseur in art, his talent has been cultivated from childhood, when at the age of fourteen years he made his own water-colors, and applied them without a tutor. To be an artist by profession was his first ambition; but, not having the means sufficient to pay the expenses of travelling abroad in order to study under the great foreign masters, he applied himself to his second choice, medical science, though spending many hours as pastime in the painting in oil of a number of original studies that have been seen and admired by many with very favorable comments. Though for several years the brush has been laid aside, Dr. Noyes has indulged his artistic tastes largely by the skilful use of a camera, and his home contains many fine photographs of scenery taken by himself, both in the United States and Canada. When from sixteen to eighteen years old he learned the printer's

trade, his father being the owner of a printing establishment situated over his drug store. The Doctor also possesses a good knowledge of mechanics, and can turn his hand successfully to almost anything in that line, from the repairing of a watch to the designing of a mansion or the management of a Corliss-valved engine. These stores of varied knowledge he has acquired by indefatigable application and the employment of all his waking hours in self-improvement. No time has ever been lost by him in idleness or dissipation. Dr. Noyes allied himself with the Masonic order by becoming a member of Reliance Lodge in his own town. Politically, he is an independent thinker, believing that the national government needs purification, and that all things intended for the benefit of the public at large—as telegraph and telephone lines and express business—should be owned and controlled by the government, as the post-office system is. He has allied himself to no particular church, being amply satisfied with that Protestant organization that can furnish the most able and interesting exponent of the gospel, no matter to what denomination he belongs. He is an earnest advocate of temperance.

JOSIAH P. LONGLEY, one of the able farmers of Palmyra, Somerset County, was born in this town, March 2, 1830, son of Ithamar and Louisa (Parkman) Longley. The paternal grandfather, Asa Longley, who came from Massachusetts to Maine, locating

first in Norridgewock, later settled in Palmyra, and resided on what is known as the Osborn farm for the rest of his life.

Ithamar Longley, born in Norridgewock in 1802, came with his father to Palmyra, where he was engaged in general farming during his active years. He died in 1890. Louisa, his first wife, who was a native of this town, born in 1805, died in 1865. His second marriage was contracted with Pamela Pollard, who survives him, and resides in Palmyra. Ithamar and Louisa Longley were the parents of seven children, namely: Adeline Osborn, now the wife of the Rev. B. P. Reed, who is the pastor of the Christian church in Benton, Me.; Josiah P., the subject of this sketch; David R., who married Eliza French, and is a prosperous farmer in St. Albans, Me.; Roscoe G., who married Mary Smith, and is a lumberman in Felton, Cal.; Victoria, who died at the age of twenty-one; Avadana, who died at twenty-two; and Martha Ann Longley, who died at the age of twenty years.

Josiah P. Longley attended school in his native town, and remained at home until he was twenty-one years old. In 1851 he went to California, and he worked in the mining districts of Sonora for three years. Shortly after his return to Palmyra he settled upon the Blaisdell farm, in the northern part of the town. In 1878 he purchased and moved to his present farm of two hundred acres, which he has greatly improved; and he has replaced the old buildings, which were destroyed by fire in 1893, with substantial ones of modern construction.

On May 6, 1855, Mr. Longley married Harriet N. Higgins. Born in Palmyra, March 26, 1835, she is a daughter of Nathaniel and Remember (Blaisdell) Higgins. In his younger days Mr. Higgins was a sailor, and he served as a soldier in the War of 1812. Afterward he was engaged in farming in Palmyra until his death, which occurred in 1863, at the age of seventy-three years. His wife died in 1885, aged eighty-five years. Mr. and Mrs. Longley have had three children, namely: Ella A., born May 27, 1856, who is now the wife of William A. Blaisdell, a farmer of Palmyra; William, born October 9, 1858, who died at the age of three years; and Emma B. Longley, born May 6, 1863, who resides at home. Mr. Longley was Constable and Collector for nine years, and the chairman of the Board of Selectmen for three years. He has been the chairman of the Republican Town Committee, and still takes an active interest in politics. Both he and Mrs. Longley are connected with the local grange, Patrons of Husbandry. They are also members of the Free Will Baptist church.

JOHAN A. WEATHERBEE, a well-known lumber manufacturer of Danforth, Washington County, was born in Springfield, Penobscot County, April 21, 1846, son of Washington and Elizabeth W. (Gridley) Weatherbee. The father, who was a native of Billerica, Mass., spent the active period of his life in Boston, Bangor, Calais, and Springfield. For a number of years he

was a merchant in Bangor, where he figured prominently in business circles. After settling in Springfield he became largely interested in lumbering, and owned considerable timber land. In politics he was a Democrat, and for some time he served upon the Board of Selectmen in Springfield. He died in 1868, aged fifty-nine years. Elizabeth W. Weatherbee, his first wife, who was born in Boston in 1809, died in 1848. She was the mother of eleven children, seven of whom are living; namely, Elizabeth, Charles, George, Albert, Josephine, John A., and Emma. The second marriage of Washington Weatherbee was contracted with Maria Montgomery, who bore him one daughter, Marietta. By his third wife, whose maiden name was Theodosia Ingalls, there were two daughters — Caroline and Lotta.

John A. Weatherbee was educated in the schools of Springfield and Calais. When a young man he entered business in New Brunswick, where he remained nine years. Beginning in 1876, he conducted a flourishing trade in Danforth up to a short time ago, when he disposed of his goods in store, retaining, however, possession of his store, houses, mills, and lands. He now resides in Bangor, at 198 Broadway. For some years he has been engaged in the lumber business, both hauling and manufacturing, and owning the saw-mills. Employing about thirty men, he has turned out five million feet of long and short lumber per annum, the general average being three million. He also owns some timber land in Maine and New Brunswick.

Mr. Weatherbee has served with ability as a Selectman. Although deeply interested in the growth of the town, he has never been able to devote much time to public affairs on account of business pressure. In politics he supports the Democratic party. He is connected with Lodge No. 175, F. & A. M., of Danforth. While a Baptist in belief, he entertains liberal opinions concerning religion. In 1870 he was joined in marriage with Nancy L. Haley, of Bancroft, daughter of William Haley. Mrs. Weatherbee has borne him six children; namely, Albert Washington, Mary Gertrude, Alfarata Gridley, Florence Lillian, Carrie Louisa, and Lillian Nancy, who died at the age of two years.

DR. WOODBURY F. CLEVELAND, ex-Mayor of Eastport, Washington County, son of Samuel and Mary (Pratt) Cleveland, was born in Skowhegan, Somerset County, February 21, 1856. The Clevelands were active patriots during the Revolution, and more than one member of the family received a pension for military services then rendered. Dr. Cleveland's grandfather, James Cleveland, who was a sturdy and industrious farmer, was one of the early settlers of Skowhegan, and died in that town at the age of eighty-nine. James Cleveland's wife, whose maiden name was Betsey Parker, lived to be eighty-one years old. Of their ten children, nine attained maturity, namely: Calvin, residing in Skowhegan; James, in the State of Kansas; Abner,

in Nevada; William, in Australia; Fidelia, in Skowhegan; and Samuel, Helen, Mary, and Sarah, who are deceased.

Samuel Cleveland, who was born in Skowhegan, April 26, 1820, owned a farm in his native town, and in his early manhood was engaged in agriculture. Subsequently, after purchasing a machine shop and foundry, he was successfully engaged in the manufacture of axes up to the time of his death. In politics he was a Republican. Taking an active interest in town affairs, he served for some time on the Board of Selectmen. An esteemed Odd Fellow, he belonged to the lodge at Skowhegan. In religious belief he was a Baptist. He died in Skowhegan in June, 1882. His wife, Mary, who was born in Skowhegan in 1824, died in 1863. They were the parents of five children, namely: Charles, Aaron P., and Mary E., who are deceased; George S., born in 1843, who is a ranchman in California; and Woodbury F., the subject of this sketch.

After attending school in Skowhegan for a time, Woodbury F. Cleveland became a pupil of Norridgewock Academy, and afterward studied at Orono, Me. In 1878 he began to read medicine, and in 1881 he graduated from the Hahnemann Medical College at Philadelphia. In December of that year he began to practise at Winterport, Me., and in October, 1883, he moved to Eastport. Here he has built up a large practice, and has become very popular. In politics he is a Republican. While he has not taken an active part in politics, he served for two years on the School Board, and was

chosen Mayor of Eastport in 1897. His mayoralty was equally creditable to himself and the city.

In 1882 Dr. Cleveland was married to Nellie Emery, of Skowhegan, a daughter of Horatio C. and Mary (Wheeler) Emery. Mr. Emery, who was a broom manufacturer and a member of the Skowhegan Broom Company, died in 1893. His wife, surviving him, resides in Skowhegan. Dr. Cleveland is a member of Eastern Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M., of Eastport; of Carabasett Lodge, No. 34, I. O. O. F., of Skowhegan; and of Lubec Lodge, No. 34, A. O. U. W., of Lubec. He attends religious worship at the Baptist church.

ABEL W. SNOW, an industrious farmer of Fairfield, Somerset County, was born in Skowhegan, April 13, 1843, son of Hiram and Emily (Wyman) Snow, both of whom were natives of Skowhegan. His grandfather, Daniel Snow, who came from Fryeburg, cleared a farm in that town, where he resided for the rest of his life. Hiram Snow in his younger days was engaged in teaming between Augusta and Moosehead Lake, but the greater part of his life was spent upon a farm adjoining the homestead. He died in Skowhegan, November 12, 1888. Emily Wyman Snow, his first wife, died June 19, 1874. His second marriage was contracted with Mrs. Charlotte D. Thomas Churchill, formerly of Sidney, Me., widow of Barney Churchill, late of Vassalboro, Me. He was the father of eight children, namely:

Henry, born August 28, 1837, who died July 2, 1838; Harriet, born April 8, 1839, who died March 23, 1864; Frances E., born April 25, 1841, who is the wife of Henry Varney, of Skowhegan; Abel W., the subject of this sketch; Helen E., born May 12, 1845, who died September 19, 1871; Ann S., born March 29, 1847, who died April 30, 1848; Loantha B., born December 22, 1849, who is the wife of Warren Foss, of Skowhegan; and Marcia E., born October 1, 1852, who is now the wife of Martin Bickford, a farmer and millman of Belgrade, Me.

Abel W. Snow attended the common schools of Skowhegan, and resided at home caring for his parents during their declining years. After the death of his father he sold the property and moved to Pishon's Ferry. After residing here for about two years, he bought the old Hodgden farm in Fairfield, where he has since resided. He owns one hundred acres of fertile land, well adapted to general farming and stock-raising; and he breeds some fine Hereford cattle. On February 22, 1885, he was joined in marriage with Laura Churchill, who was born in Vassalboro, February 17, 1855, daughter of Barney and Charlotte D. (Thomas) Churchill. Mrs. Snow is a daughter of her husband's step-mother. Her father, who was a hoop-maker and a farmer, died in Mount View, Me., and her mother is now residing in Oakland, Me. Mr. and Mrs. Snow have three children, namely: Clarence, born April 27, 1886; Daisy Agnes, born August 23, 1887; and Frederick, born January 10, 1891. Politically, Mr. Snow is a Republican.

Mrs. Snow is interested in church work, and is a member of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.

ARTHUR MILTON THOMAS, principal of the Ricker Classical Institute at Houlton, Aroostook County, was born in Manchester, Me., January 13, 1858, son of Jacob B. and Marcia A. (Safford) Thomas. His paternal grandfather, William Thomas, a tanner and shoemaker by trade, was a resident of Winthrop, Me., from his youth until about 1827. He then moved to North Manchester, Me., where, besides tanning and shoemaking, he managed a small farm. He had five sons—William, Charles, Danforth, Albert, and Jacob B.

The last named, Jacob Brown Thomas, father of Arthur M., was born in Winthrop, Me., in 1826, and when an infant accompanied his parents to North Manchester. He was educated in the country schools, with a term or two at a village academy. After marrying his first wife he continued the work of his father until 1868, when he moved to Hallowell, Me., and engaged in the boot and shoe trade. Here he was Postmaster, being appointed by President Garfield. In 1887 he moved to Wisconsin and took up a lumber claim. He died at Brule, Wis., in 1892. He was Deacon of the Baptist church for the last twenty-five years of his life and a member of that church from young manhood. His wife, Marcia, the mother of the subject of this sketch, was (it is believed) born in Methuen,

Mass. She resided at one time in Yarmouth, Me., and later in Litchfield, Me. Her father was a hatter by trade.

Arthur M. Thomas resided in Manchester, Me., until he was ten years old, when his parents removed to Hallowell. He was educated in the city schools of Hallowell and at the Hallowell Classical Institute, from which he graduated in 1876. He spent the next four years in Colby University, where he graduated in 1880. He began teaching at once as principal of the Richmond (Me.) High School, and taught there till 1885, when he came to Houlton as principal of Houlton Academy, now Ricker Classical Institute, which position he has since retained. He belongs to the college fraternal society known as Delta Kappa Epsilon. In politics he is an Independent Republican. A Baptist in religious belief, he attends the church of that denomination.

Mr. Thomas was married in 1885 to Miss Carrie A. Odiorne, who was born in Richmond, Me., a daughter of Samuel and Amanda Odiorne. He has one child, Helen Odiorne Thomas, who was born September 12, 1891.

GEORGE LEAVITT, for many years a custom-house officer at Machias, Me., and later Trial Justice here, was born on March 6, 1820, at Hingham, Mass., and died at Machias, June 13, 1898, in the seventy-ninth year of his age. He was the only son of John C. and Harriet C. (Gardner) Leavitt. His first paternal ancestor in America was Deacon John Leavitt, who arrived in

New England in 1628, and who assisted in building the first meeting-house in Hingham. Samuel Leavitt, the grandfather of George Leavitt, was a lifelong resident of Hingham and a wheelwright by trade. He married Rachel Cushing, of that town.

John C. Leavitt, the father, was a native of Hingham, and followed the trade of a ropemaker until his death, which occurred when he was thirty years old. He was a member of the State militia. Harriet C. Gardner Leavitt, his wife, who was a native of Gloucester, Mass., became the mother of two children: Rachel Cushing, who married William D. Jenkins, and is no longer living; and George, the subject of this sketch. Mrs. Leavitt was a member of the First Parish Church in Hingham.

George Leavitt was educated in the district schools of Hingham and at the Derby Academy. When fifteen years old he began work in a book-bindery in Boston, and at the age of eighteen he entered upon his apprenticeship at the ship-carpenter's trade. After mastering that vocation and carrying on business for himself as a ship-joiner in South Boston for some years, he went to Columbia, Me., where he resided until 1862. In that year he was appointed Deputy Collector of Customs at Machias, and in 1863 he was made Special Deputy. He was appointed Collector by President Grant in 1875, was re-appointed by President Hayes in 1879, and continued in service until 1883. He served with ability upon the Board of Selectmen and Assessors, was a Trial Justice twelve years, and was also

Justice of the Peace. While residing in Columbia he was an Assessor. When he was living in Boston, in his early manhood, he was a member of the volunteer fire department.

Mr. Leavitt married for his first wife on September 17, 1846, Mary Ann Nash, daughter of Duncan M. Nash, of Columbia. She died March 24, 1865, having been the mother of seven children, four of whom are now living; namely, Georgietta, Edna, Seward, and John C. The deceased are: Florence, Hattie P., and Duncan M. Mr. Leavitt married for his second wife November 13, 1866, Mrs. Deborah Wight, a native of Hingham, Mass. She died April 19, 1893. He married on October 31, 1894, Mercie E., daughter of the late Captain Atkins S. Cates. Mr. Leavitt was a member of the Universalist Church of Machias, and Mrs. Mercie C. Leavitt is a member of the Congregational church. Georgietta Leavitt is the wife of Luke Hapgood, of Brockton, Mass.; and her sister Edna is the wife of Veranos C. Hanson, of Windham, Me. Seward Leavitt lives in Chelsea, Mass. He married Mary Elizabeth Moran, of Boston, and has three children—Elizabeth Irene, Seward Everett, and George Warren. John C. Leavitt is a resident of Brockton, Mass.

PERRY W. RICHARDSON, a prominent merchant of the town of Tremont, Mount Desert Island, Hancock County, was born at Bass Harbor, in this town, December 29, 1841, his parents being Moses and Priscilla (Richards) Richardson.

The paternal great-grandfather, Thomas Richardson, who was born in England, came to America, settling first in Marblehead, Mass. Subsequently, while still a young man, he came to Mount Desert, accompanied by his three brothers, Stephen, William, and James. They were the first white settlers on this side of the island. The four Richardson brothers married sisters by the name of Gott. Thomas Richardson built a log house and cleared a large tract of land. He also engaged largely in fishing. The old cellar hole where he built his first house may still be seen near the store kept by the subject of this sketch. He died at the age of eighty-seven, and was buried on the island. His son, Thomas, second, was, like his father, a strong and stalwart man, as have been most of the male members of the family. He began the battle of life as a seafaring man, and was engaged for many years both in the coasting and fishing trade. Subsequently he took up a farm at Bass Harbor, and resided there until he was an old man. The last few years of his life were spent with his son Moses. He died at the age of ninety-two, after an active and influential life, having been one of the leading men on the island. His wife before her marriage was Amy Rich, of Mount Desert.

Moses Richardson, father of Perry W., was during the greater part of his life engaged in fishing or in the coasting trade. He retired from the sea about 1856, and spent the rest of his life on his farm, where he died at the age of eighty-five. He was twice married. His first wife, who was in maidenhood Hannah

Lopans, bore him three daughters and a son. The daughters — Caroline, Nancy, and Emma — are all living, and reside at Mount Desert. The son, Samuel, died and was buried at sea at the age of eighteen years. For his second wife Moses Richardson married Priscilla, a daughter of William and Hepsibeth (Hadley) Richards, of Mount Desert. Her grandfather, William Richards, came from Newburyport, and settled at Deer Island, but after living there for a time returned to Newburyport. Mrs. Priscilla Richardson's father, who was born in Newburyport, and who was for many years a master mariner, died at the age of eighty-five. By his second wife Mr. Richardson had five children, namely: Simeon, who died at the age of sixteen; Sophina, who died at the age of fifteen; Perry W., the subject of this sketch; Spencer, who died at the age of four years; and W. Z. Richardson, who resides on the island near his brother. The mother lived to the age of eighty-nine years. Perry W. Richardson, finishing his school studies, began to teach, and for a number of years had charge of schools in Tremont and the adjoining towns. The sedentary nature of this occupation, however, not agreeing with his health, he took to a seafaring life, and sailed for some time on a coasting vessel. Subsequently he entered government employ as lighthouse-keeper at Mount Desert Rock, being later promoted to another light station. He then, on account of the advancing age and consequent feebleness of his parents, resigned his position in order to remain near them. In 1878 he opened a general merchandise store, which he has since

operated. He has also added a fish stand, and now buys and salts fish. Mr. Richardson married Frances A. Robinson, of Mount Desert, and three children have been born to him — Herbert P., Amanda E., and Lula. Herbert, who married Mamie Stanley, has one child, Douglass by name.

Mr. Richardson has taken an active part in local affairs. For three years he served as a member of the School Board, and for two years was Town Clerk. Since 1887 he has been chairman of the Board of Selectmen. In 1894 he was chosen County Commissioner for four years, and is now (1898) serving as chairman of the board. He has recently been re-elected to the office of County Commissioner for a term of six years by the largest majority of any candidate on the ticket. For eleven years he has been a Justice of the Peace. Fraternally, Mr. Richardson is a member of the Odd Fellows organization. He is a constant attendant of the Congregational church, and is one of the five gentlemen who were chiefly instrumental in its erection. His political affiliations are with the Republican party, and his first vote for Chief Executive was cast in 1864 for Abraham Lincoln. For twenty years he has been a trustee of the Tremont Savings Bank.

PROF. ISAAC PALMER, M.D., for forty years and more a practising physician of North Anson, Somerset County, Me., an influential and highly respected citizen, was born in Fayette, Me.,

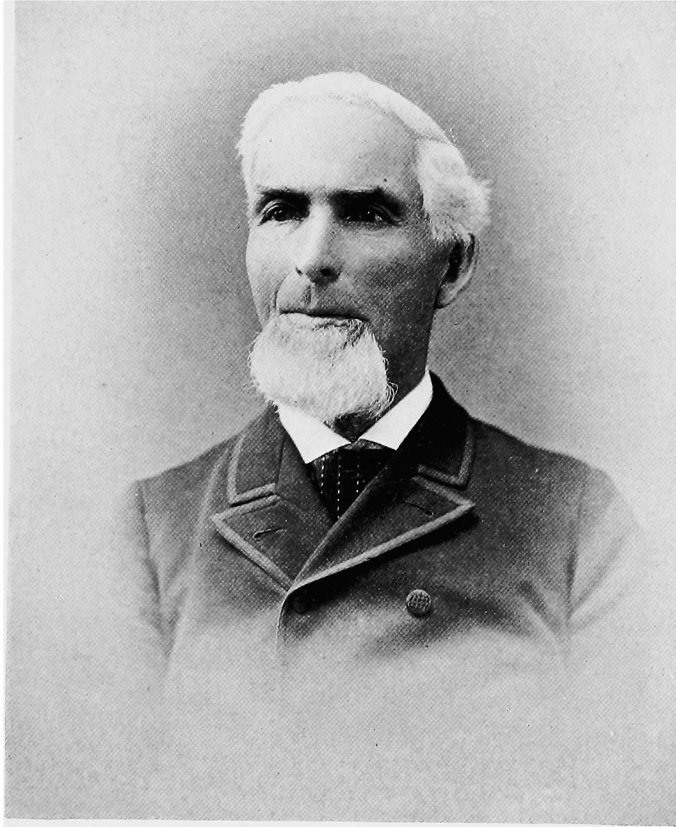
September 26, 1807. His parents were John and Lydia (Morse) Palmer, and he was one of the eldest of a family of nine children. His father died when comparatively a young man. At the age of nineteen Isaac left home to seek an education, and by hard work and close economy he was enabled to meet his expenses at the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and at college. He was graduated at Bowdoin College in 1833, took the degree of Master of Arts in course, and received his medical diploma from Berkshire Medical Institute in 1837. Some years later he studied in London and Paris. His first year of medical practice was in Augusta, Me. He removed to North Anson in 1839.

Dr. Palmer was a physician of rare ability, and was especially noted for his skill in surgery. While cautious in the use of new methods, he was yet a most progressive thinker. In 1846 he went abroad, and spent a year in the study of clinical surgery in the best medical institutions of Europe. On his return he gave the benefit of his added knowledge to his own town and county, instead of seeking a more lucrative city practice. He was for several years chairman of the School Board, two years first Selectman of the town, and was State Senator in 1873 and 1874. In private life Dr. Palmer was a kindly Christian gentleman, with a heart and hand always responsive to the calls of public and private charity. Wide-spread sorrow was expressed at his death, which occurred February 28, 1881. His wife, Sarah Blossom, was a daughter of General Alden Blossom, of

Turner, Me. She died April 1, 1894. Her father, General Alden Blossom, sometime High Sheriff, was a son of Silvanus, Jr., and Martha (Alden) Blossom, of South Bridgewater, Mass., and was of the fifth generation in lineal descent from Thomas Blossom, who was first Deacon of the church at Plymouth. General Blossom's mother was a daughter of Eleazer, Jr., and Sarah (Whitman) Alden, grand-daughter of Eleazer, Sr., and Martha (Shaw) Alden, and great-grand-daughter of Deacon Joseph Alden, of South Bridgewater, who was a son of Joseph Alden, Sr., and grandson of John and Priscilla (Mullins) Alden.

Dr. Isaac and Mrs. Sarah Palmer were the parents of four children: Harriet E.; Albert De F.; Gustavus S.; and Mary L., who died in childhood. Harriet E. Palmer, married to Albert H. Ware, resides in North Anson. The Rev. Albert De F. Palmer, graduate of Bowdoin College, 1861, is now a Baptist minister in Plaistow, N.H. Gustavus S. Palmer, graduate of Bowdoin College, 1861, was a dentist in Waterville, Me. He died October 16, 1888.

SETH WEBB, senior member of the firm of Seth & C. H. S. Webb, general merchants and outfitters at Oceanville, Deer Isle, Hancock County, was born on this island, August 24, 1822, son of William and Eliza (Smith) Webb. The great-grandfather was Seth Webb, who moved his family from Massachusetts to Deer Isle, and was killed at Isle au Haut. Samuel Webb,



SETH WEBB.

the grandfather, who came here with his parents from Massachusetts, settling upon a tract of land, located near Webb's Cove in what is now the town of Stonington. He followed general farming until his death, which occurred at the age of about sixty-seven years. He was a prominent man of this locality in his day, and served one term in the legislature. His wife, Hannah Eaton Webb, was a descendant of the first settler of the island.

William Webb, who was a native of Deer Isle and acquired a good education for his opportunities, taught school for many terms upon the island, and was also engaged in seafaring. For some time he resided at Sunset. Later he was in business at Winter Harbor, Me. His last days were spent in South Deer Isle, near the present home of his son. For twenty years he served as a member of the Board of Selectmen; and he was Town Treasurer and a Representative in the legislature. At his death he was eighty-three years old. His wife, Eliza, who was a native of Deer Isle, became the mother of eight children, namely: Seth, the subject of this sketch; Jason, who was lost at sea; Hannah, who resides in Massachusetts; Samuel, who was drowned at sea when eighteen years old; Smith, who died on the coast of Africa; Mchitable, who married Seth Hatch, and resides on Deer Isle; and Eliza and William, both of whom are residents of Portland.

Seth Webb was educated in the district school. Like many of the young men of his neighborhood, he began to follow the sea at an early age, and when twenty years old became

a ship-master. He was engaged in the foreign trade during the greater part of the twenty-four years he spent on shipboard, and he visited many of the principal ports of the world. He owned a number of vessels hailing from Gloucester, Mass., where he resided some nine years. Abandoning the sea in 1860, he returned to his native island, built a store at South Deer Isle, and there engaged in business. He has occupied his present location at Oceanville some thirty-five years, and is still actively engaged in carrying one of the largest stores on the island, dealing in general merchandise, fishermen's supplies, and lumber. Some years ago he admitted to partnership his son-in-law, C. H. S. Webb. The firm are quite extensively engaged in the canning business, being the packers of Webb's Peerless Brand of Clams and Mackerel.

Mr. Webb first married Deborah Babbadge, whose children by him are: Kate, Velzora, Arthur, Seth A., George, Hattie M., and Viola. Kate is the wife of C. H. S. Webb, and has eight children; namely, Fred, Susie, Seth, Leonora, Clara, Charles, Lillian, and Frank. Velzora married Lewis Fernald. Arthur first married Lucy Whitmore, who bore him one daughter, Lucy, now Mrs. Blood. His second wife, in maidenhood Louise Hatch, is the mother of four children—Deborah, Harold, Georgie, and Geneva. Seth A. Webb, who was lost on the Grand Banks, married Emma Torrey, and left one son, Seth A. Webb. George is no longer living. Hattie M. married Ralph Hendrick, and has two children—Elmer R. and Celeste Hendrick.

Viola is the widow of Bentley Barber, and has two sons — Arthur and Bentley L. Barber. In November, 1877, Mr. Webb married for his second wife Adriana Bullock, who died November 7, 1896. In politics a Democrat, Mr. Webb, Sr., is a member of Hancock County Democratic Committee. His first Presidential vote was given to James K. Polk in 1844, and he represented his district in the Maine legislature for three terms. He is an esteemed member of the Masonic order.

HON. DANIEL J. SAWYER, a prominent resident of Jonesport, Washington County, and an ex-member of the Maine Senate, was born in this town April 2, 1824, son of Daniel and Mary (Bagley) Sawyer. The paternal grandfather, John Sawyer, who came here from Limington, Me., was the first permanent settler of the town. He followed farming and fishing during his active years, and lived to be over eighty years old. The maiden name of his wife, a lady of Cape Elizabeth, was Mary Jordan. His children were: John, Eben, Daniel, Rebecca, Mary, Betsey, Margaret, Hannah, and Sally. Each lived to a good old age, and all married in this town except one.

Daniel Sawyer, the father, was born in Jonesport, June 1, 1791. He followed farming and lumbering, and was also a boat-builder. In public affairs he took a prominent part, serving as Selectman, Assessor, and Collector. With the majority of the Whigs, he joined the Republican party at its forma-

tion. In religious belief he was a Universalist. He lived to be eighty-nine years old. Mary Bagley Sawyer, his wife, who was born in Liberty, Waldo County, May 10, 1801, became the mother of nine children, namely: Mrs. Annie B. Johnson and Levi D. Sawyer, who are no longer living; Mrs. Lois W. Mansfield, of this town; Daniel J., the subject of this sketch; Mrs. Rebecca Hall, Mrs. Lydia B. Kelley, Mrs. Mary A. Dobbins, and Edward M. Sawyer, all of Jonesport; and Mrs. Francis E. Brown, of Addison, Me. The mother died at the age of sixty-five years.

Daniel J. Sawyer made good use of his limited opportunities for obtaining an education. When twenty-one years old he engaged in boat-building on his own account, and in 1854 he established himself as a ship-builder. He continued in that business until 1890, constructing during those years about twenty vessels. He is still interested in shipping. Since 1849 he has kept a store here. In 1880 he admitted his brother, Edward M. Sawyer, who had formerly been his clerk, to partnership. A fine business block of modern design was erected by them in 1896. At the present time the firm is one of the solid business houses in this section. In June, 1858, Mr. Sawyer was joined in marriage with Emeline P. Glover. Born in York County, April 14, 1836, she is a daughter of the Rev. Willard Glover. No offspring have come of the marriage, but Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer have reared and educated three or four children, and enabled them to make a good start in life.

Mr. Sawyer was first elected a Selectman at

the age of twenty-one. Since that time he has been closely identified with the town's affairs. He is the Town Treasurer, and has been first Selectman for many years. In 1871 and 1872 he was a State Senator. In September, 1898, he was again elected to the Senate. In the Congregational church, of which Mrs. Sawyer is a member, he is both a member and a Deacon. He built the present church edifice, and also the new school-house in the village. Ever ready to aid all measures designed for the benefit of the town, he is a generous, public-spirited citizen. The family residence is a substantial and sightly house, commanding an extensive view of the surrounding country and of many of the islands along the coast.

LEWIS Y. MARSHALL, a venerable and respected resident of Trenton, Hancock County, was born here, August 9, 1816. His father, David Marshall, who was born in Boothbay, Me., lived there until the death of his father, William Marshall, who was lost at sea. Then, a lad of seven years, he came with his widowed mother to Trenton. As soon as he was old enough to be of any use on board ship, he went to sea, and from that time until his forty-sixth year he earned his living on the waters. At the age of seventeen he was captain of a coaster, and on his vessel carried the first load of lumber from the Ellsworth River. After his retirement from seafaring he settled on his farm in Trenton, where he continued his residence until his death at the

advanced age of ninety-six years. For a time he was a member of the Trenton Board of Selectmen and Collector of Taxes. He married Lydia Saulsbury, of Trenton, with whom he reared three children, as follows: Lydia, now eighty-four years old, who is the widow of Thomas Holmes, and has two children living — Thomas and Robert; Jane, now deceased; and Lewis Y., the subject of this biography.

Lewis Y. Marshall obtained a limited education in the district schools, and has devoted his life to farming. Ambitious, industrious, and prudent, he labored hard in his youthful days to save money enough to purchase a home, and in a comparatively short space of time his desires were realized. He has now a fine farm of one hundred and sixty acres, on which he erected some forty years ago a substantial set of buildings. He has been identified in politics with the Democratic party since 1840, when he cast his Presidential vote for Martin Van Buren. For many years he has been a faithful member of the Methodist church.

Mr. Marshall first married Eleanor Newman, who died a few years later, leaving one child, David. David married Harriet Alley, and has five children — Georgie, Lena, Grace, Morris, and David. After the death of his first wife Mr. Marshall married Phœbe, daughter of Samuel and Betsey (Leland) Hopkins, of Cooper, Me. Of her children thirteen have been reared; namely, Howard W., Eleanor V., Mary J., Lydia, Lewis W., Elizabeth, Arno, Celia, George, Carrie, Albertina, Almenia, and Melvin L. Lewis died at the age of nine-

teen years. Howard W., a resident of Bar Harbor, married Amanda Bartlett, and has five children — Ethel, Ruth, Minah and Menah (twins), and Phoebe. Eleanor, the wife of John Connors, has one child, Minnie G. Mary J., the wife of James E. Berry, of Lamoine, has three children — Anna, Howard, and Ralph. Lydia married Sewall T. Royal, of Ellsworth, Me. Elizabeth, the wife of Herbert E. Hepworth, of Bar Harbor, has three sons — Frederick, Lewis, and Leslie. Arno, who lives in Trenton, married Agnes Remick, and has had seven children — Alfred, Bernice, Ray, Lewis, Ulah, Rosetta, and Mary Anna. Celia, the wife of Charles Davis, of Trenton, has four children — Charles, John, George, and Blaine. George, who lives in West Virginia, married Leonora Davis, and has one child, Ruby G. Carrie, the wife of Jefferson Smith, of North Lamoine, has seven children — Leander, Howe, Clarence, Vida, Wesley, Earl, and Carl Dewey. Albertina married Ernest L. Cole. The two younger children, Almenia and Melvin L., are unmarried, and live with their parents.

AUGUSTINE SIMMONS, of North Anson, a leading attorney of Somerset County, was born February 20, 1849, in Topsham, Sagadahoc County, Me., son of James D. and Ann C. (Rogers) Simmons.

James D. Simmons was born and reared in Canton, Oxford County, Me., and, having fitted himself for a professional career, prac-

tised law for many years both in Brunswick and Bath. Being well versed in legal lore, and devoting his entire time and energies to the interests of his clients, he secured a large patronage, and was eminently successful as a lawyer. He spent his last years with his son Augustine, dying in 1884. His wife survived him some years, her death occurring in 1892. They were the parents of two children: a daughter, Frances, who lived but two years; and Augustine, whose name appears at the head of this sketch.

Augustine Simmons grew to manhood in the village of Brunswick, receiving his elementary education in its public schools, and afterward attending the private school of the Rev. A. D. Wheeler. He subsequently entered Bowdoin College, at which he was graduated in 1871. From 1870 to 1874 he was principal of the academy at North Anson, Me., and subsequently, for a year in each institution, at Oak Grove Seminary and Fryeburg Academy successively. For the succeeding three years Mr. Simmons had charge of the Fairfield High School, and for one year he edited the *Fairfield Journal*. While teaching he read law with E. W. & F. E. McFadden, and made such progress in his legal studies that he was admitted to the bar in 1877. In November, 1880, he began the practice of his profession in North Anson, and since then he has won a high position among the leading members of the legal fraternity of Somerset and Franklin Counties, his clientele being large in both counties.

On November 22, 1872, Mr. Simmons was

united in marriage with Miss Alice P. Gahan, daughter of James S. and Maria (Moore) Gahan, of Anson, Me. Mr. Simmons is a sound Republican in politics, but has never held public office, his business affairs engrossing the greater part of his time. He is a member of the United States District and Circuit Courts for the State of Maine. He is a Mason, belonging to Northern Star Lodge, F. & A. M., No. 28, of North Anson. In private life he is genial and hospitable, and has a host of friends in the community in which he has so long resided.

WILLARD HEINRICH PIKE, of the firm Hill, Pike & Co., Calais, Washington County, was born in this city, October 2, 1858, son of Charles R. and Velona L. (King) Pike. The grandfather, Samuel Dean Pike, a blacksmith, died in early manhood. At Falmouth, Me., in July, 1802, he married Mary Webb, who was born September 26, 1784. A daughter of Jonathan Webb, who resided in Westbrook, Me., and was an extensive lumberman on the Presumpscot River, she was a descendant of Samuel Webb, a lifelong resident of Redfelt, England. Samuel's son, Samuel (second), emigrated to Tiverton, R.I., and married Mary McIntire. She died in 1723, leaving two sons — Samuel and Thomas — who settled in Hingham and Weymouth, Mass., respectively. Thomas Webb married Bertha Spear, and had a family of eight children, of whom David, the next in line, was the eldest. David Webb

came to Maine, and on November 6, 1749, was married in Windham to Dorothy Peabody, of Falmouth, Me., a descendant of Cornet Farrer. Jonathan Webb, second son of David, born in Gorham, Me., November 26, 1755, passed the greater part of his life in what is now the city of Westbrook, and died April 18, 1810. He first married Mary Carver, who died in 1801. His eldest child by this union was Mary, who, as already stated, became the wife of Samuel Dean Pike. Samuel D. and Mary Pike were the parents of eight children; namely, Evelyn, David W., Mary W., Joshua W., Samuel G., William W., Nancy, and Charles R.

Charles R. Pike, Willard H. Pike's father, was born in Saccarappa, Me., December 28, 1822. At the age of fourteen he came to Calais, where he entered the high school. After completing his studies in the Maine Wesleyan Seminary at Kent's Hill, he became a clerk in a general store kept by his brother-in-law, with whom he remained about ten years. He then established himself in the business that he has successfully conducted up to the present time, and is now the oldest grocer in point of experience in the city. He is a member of the Second Baptist Church, and has been a Deacon for many years. Velona L. Pike, his wife, now deceased, who was a daughter of Gilman D. King, of Baring, became the mother of five children — Charles G., Etta V., Willard H., Walter P., and Evelyn. Etta V is now the wife of George E. Rideout, and Evelyn is the wife of Willis E. McAllister.

Having completed his education at the Gorham (Me.) Academy, Willard Heinrich Pike began his business career as a clerk in St. Stephen's, N.B. Later he became a travelling salesman for the Boston wholesale grocery house of Winslow Rand & Watson. He left this employment when appointed Postmaster in Calais by President Harrison, March 25, 1890. Three months before his term expired he resigned the Postmastership in order to enter the firm of Hill, Pike & Co., which succeeded C. D. Hill & Co. in 1894. An enterprising business man, he is interested in other ventures, including the Calais Street Railway, of which he is a director. On March 12, 1898, he was again appointed Postmaster by President McKinley. He married Helen H. Harmon, a daughter of Daniel Harmon, of Milltown, N.B. An esteemed Mason, he is a member of St. Croix Lodge, F. & A. M.; of St. Croix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; of Hugh de Payens Commandery, Knights Templar; and of Delta Lodge of Perfection. He also belongs to the Knights of Pythias. In politics he is a Republican, and he attends the Universalist church.

HARTSON C. GOWER, a well-known resident of Canaan, Somerset County, and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in this town, January 23, 1835, son of Samuel and Lucinda (Chandler) Gower. The father, born in Farmington, Me., August 16, 1783, was reared upon a farm in his native town. When a young man he taught school

for a time, and later went to sea. Subsequently he learned the trade of a wool-carder, and plied that calling in various places until 1848. Then he settled permanently in Canaan, and was there employed in a woollen-mill for the rest of his life, which terminated July 16, 1862. His wife, Lucinda Chandler Gower, who was born in Winthrop, Me., December 9, 1796, died November 22, 1878. They were the parents of nine children, of whom Hartson C., the subject of this sketch, is the only one living. The others were: Anna M., born May 5, 1818, who was the wife of John Tuttle, of Canaan; John W., born February 6, 1820, who married Angeline Chandler; David C., born May 8, 1822, who married Mary Ann Edes, of Guilford, Me., was a blacksmith by trade, and died while serving in the Civil War; Samuel H., born September 24, 1824, who successively married Azubah Shaw and Lucinda Chandler, and was a machinist by trade; Lydia C., born October 28, 1826, who became the wife of John Tuttle; Clara P., born February 7, 1829, who married C. E. Moshier, of Lawrence, Mass.; Esther L., born June 18, 1831, who married Charles Barnes, of Lawrence; and James Gower, born December 19, 1839, who died at the age of nine years.

After passing through the common schools Hartson C. Gower completed his studies with a short course at the academy in Athens, Me. He learned the blacksmith's trade with his brother David; and after following it for three years in Marengo, Ia., he conducted business for himself in Kansas until the

breaking out of the Rebellion. In 1861 he enlisted at Lawrence as a private in Company A, Twelfth Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteers, and for some time was detailed as a teamster and blacksmith. On May 5, 1864, he was shot through the right thigh. He was subsequently transferred to Company A, Ninth Regiment, Veteran Reserve Corps, with which he served until discharged at Washington in July, 1865. For the ensuing two years he worked in Lawrence. Later he was employed in Foxcroft and Sangerville, Me., and other places until 1875. Then he returned to Canaan, and has since been engaged in blacksmithing and farming in this town. His three elder brothers also served in the Civil War.

At Lawrence, in July, 1867, Mr. Gower was married to Mary Jane Bullis, of Rouse's Point, N.Y. Her parents, John and Esther (Oliver) Bullis, both now deceased, were natives respectively of Vermont and New York State. Their children were: Amelia, now the widow of Silas Weeks, late of Rouse's Point; Nelson, now deceased, who was a horse dealer in Fond du Lac, Wis.; Esther, who married Thaxter Herrick, of Lawrence, Mass., and who is no longer living; Mary Jane, who is now Mrs. Gower; Lucinda, now deceased; Harrison, who resides in the West; Alice, now deceased, who married Robert Seaton, and resided in Lowell; Leslie, who was drowned in the Ohio River; and two others who died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Gower have one daughter, Alice Gertrude, born April 3, 1869, who is now the wife of

George Waymouth, and has one daughter, Muriel S., born in Canaan, October 19, 1890. Mr. Waymouth is a native of Canaan and a merchant of Shawmut, Me. Another child of Mr. and Mrs. Gowers, Leslie, died in infancy.

Mr. Gower is a Past Master of the Masonic lodge in Canaan, a member of the I. O. O. F. in Dover, and a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic in Skowhegan. In politics he is a Republican.

DAVID GREELEY, an enterprising lumber manufacturer of Foxcroft, Piscataquis County, and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in Hampden, Penobscot County, November 4, 1845, son of James and Sophronia (Dow) Greeley. The paternal grandfather, Philip Greeley, who was an early settler in Penobscot County, kept a hotel in Garland for some years. An energetic business man, he took a leading part in public affairs, and at one time served as Sheriff of the county. He was accidentally killed at the age of sixty years by being thrown from his horse.

James Greeley, David Greeley's father, born in Exeter, Me., August 14, 1812, followed general farming during his active period, and resided in Dover for a number of years. His last days were spent in Michigan, and he died in 1896. In politics he was a Democrat. His wife, Sophronia, who was born in Hampden, resides in St. Louis, Mich. She became the mother of seven children, four of whom

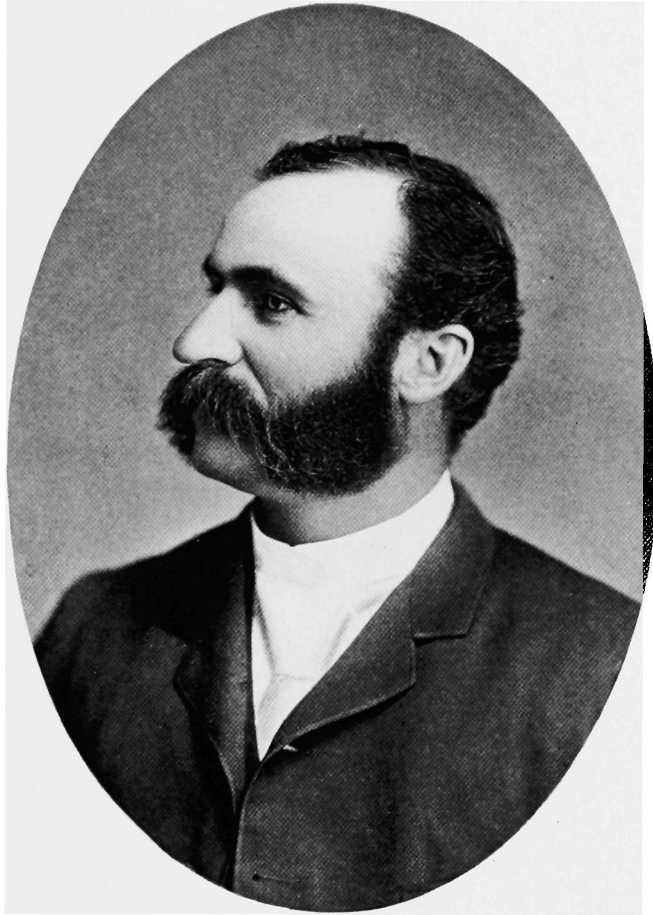
are living, namely: Mary, the wife of M. R. Weeks; and David, Amos, and Charles S. Greeley, all of whom, except David, reside in St. Louis. The others were: Henry, Sophronia, and Lucy. Mrs. Sophronia Greeley attends the Congregational church.

David Greeley was educated in the common schools of Kenduskeag, and for a part of his youth assisted his father in farming. In 1863 he enlisted as a private in Company D, First District of Columbia Cavalry, from which he was transferred to the First Maine Cavalry. He served in the Civil War until its close, and was present at Lee's surrender. After his discharge he settled in Foxcroft, where he has since been engaged in the manufacture of long and short lumber. Owning and conducting two saw-mills, which are operated by steam power, he cuts and hauls an average of one million feet of spool stock annually. He also owns and cultivates a farm of three hundred acres, situated upon the shore of Sebec Lake, and was one of the first to bring this locality into notice as a fishing and hunting resort. The lake, twelve miles long, is surrounded by primeval forests broken by well-kept farms, with rugged mountain scenery in the distance. Its waters are stocked with landlocked salmon, of which as many as two hundred were caught in a single day of the last season, weighing from three to six pounds each. At the head of Sebec Lake is a summer hotel for the accommodation of sportsmen. Wild game — among other kinds deer, caribou, moose — is very abundant. Mr. Greeley entertains tourists desiring to

hunt and fish in this section. His fine steam-boat, forty-six feet long by nine and one-half feet beam, makes two trips per day around the lake. Mr. Greeley is unmarried. He is a comrade of Douty Post, G. A. R., of Dover. In politics he is a Republican. Mr. Greeley is one of the best known business men and farmers in the district.

JUDGE WILLIAM J. FOWLER, who presides in the Municipal Court of Calais, Washington County, son of John and Hannah (Somers) Fowler, was born in Blackville, Northumberland County, N.B., February 26, 1855. According to the family history his first paternal ancestor in this country emigrated from England to New York in 1635; and his great-grandfather, Daniel Fowler, who was a loyalist, went to New Brunswick after the close of the Revolutionary War.

John Fowler, the father, who was a native of Blackville, having acquired his education in an academy, settled in Calais in 1857. Here he was engaged in the lumber business until he enlisted for the Civil War in the Twenty-second Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry. While in the army he contracted an illness that disabled him for life. He died in 1880. His wife, Hannah, who was also born in Blackville, became the mother of eight children. Of these, five grew up, namely: Lucy A. and Elizabeth E.; Clara A., who is now the wife of N. Burnham Reding, of Calais; William J., the subject of this sketch; and



WILLIAM J. FOWLER.

David J. Fowler, a resident of Boston. Both parents were members of the First Baptist Church.

After passing through the common schools of Calais, William J. Fowler completed his early education in a business college in Lowell, Mass. At the age of seventeen he went to Driftwood, Pa., where he was engaged in lumbering for two years. Returning afterward to Lowell he was employed by the Hamilton Manufacturing Company for some time. Having commenced the study of law with Messrs. Granger and Hanson, of Calais, in 1879, he was admitted to the bar in October, 1881, and opened an office in the suburb of Milltown, where he resides. In 1886 he established another office in the city, and in 1890 he became associated with the late Thomas E. Wharf in the insurance business under the firm name of T. E. Wharf & Co. After the death of Mr. Wharf in 1892, he received the Hon. George R. Gardner into the firm, the style of which then became Fowler & Gardner. He is also interested in extensive lumbering operations and deals largely in real estate.

In politics Judge Fowler is a Republican. He has served as an Assessor for eight years, was a member of the Board of Aldermen for two years, and City Solicitor for the same length of time. When the Free Public Library was established, he was appointed by the city government a trustee for life. At the present time he is further serving the library in the capacity of secretary of the Board of Trustees. In April, 1895, he was appointed

Judge of the Municipal Court by Governor Cleaves. He married Addie L., daughter of William Jenne, late of St. Stephen, N.B. Their home is very pleasantly situated on School Street. The Judge is a member of the Sons of Veterans, also of the Knights of Pythias, and in the Uniform Rank. He attends the First Baptist Church.

LEUTENANT ELDRIDGE H. BRYANT, of the firm of Bryant & Allen, grocers, of Machias, Washington County, son of George R. and Lois (Davis) Bryant, was born in this town, October 17, 1843. His paternal grandfather, Otis Bryant, was a ship-builder. The father, born in Machias, was a farmer and a millman. His wife, Lois, was a daughter of Samuel Davis, of this town. They had ten children; namely, Freeman R., James R., Samuel O., Eldridge, George W., Winfield, Edwin R., Elmira A., Freeman R. (second), and Celittie. Elmira A., who married Hiram Smith, of Princeton, Me., is now deceased; Samuel O., commonly known as Captain Bryant, resides in Portland; Winfield S. resides at Princeton, Me.; Edwin R., in California; Freeman R. (second), in Minneapolis, Minn.

Lieutenant Bryant received his education in the district schools. When a lad of seventeen he enlisted in Company H of the Ninth Maine Infantry as a private. He was sent to Washington and thence to Hilton Head, Florida, and Port Royal. From Port Royal he went to Charleston, where he took part in

the siege of Fort Wagner and Fort Sumter. Subsequently he was in the Army of the James, under General Butler; at the siege of Petersburg and in the campaign that summer; and he participated in the capture of Fort Fisher. With his regiment he was mustered out in July, 1865, at Raleigh, N.C., after having seen four years of active service. He was twice wounded. In January, 1865, he received his commission of Lieutenant. After the war he went to Chicago, and there worked at the carpenter's trade for two years. Returning at the end of this time to Machias, he formed a partnership with G. Harris Foster, firm of Foster & Bryant, for the purpose of conducting a sash and blind factory. After about ten years of successful business in this line he received in the factory an injury that disabled him. In 1883 he was appointed Special Deputy in the custom-house at Machias, and for the eight succeeding years he served in that office. He was next Collector of Customs at Machias for four years by the appointment of President Harrison. After the expiration of his term he was engaged in various kinds of business until June, 1897, when, in company with Hernando Allen, he started a general grocery store. Messrs. Bryant and Allen are conducting a successful business, having already secured a fair share of patronage; and their prospects for the future are undeniably excellent. Of a sociable disposition, Lieutenant Bryant has acquired a large number of warm friends. An esteemed Mason, he is Past Master of Harwood Lodge, No. 91; Past High Priest of Washington

Chapter; Eminent Commander of St. Elmo Commandery; and a member of Delta Lodge of Perfection. He is also one of the charter members of Bradley Post, No. 15, Department of Maine, G. A. R.; has held the various offices in the post, having been its second Commander; and has also held office in the Department of Maine. In the spring of 1898 he was elected first Selectman of his town, which position he now holds (October 11, 1898).

By his marriage with Nettie, daughter of Zephaniah Allen, of Machias, he is the father of five children — Carl H., Mildred E., Myron E., Leonard R., and Richard F. Mrs. Bryant is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, which her husband attends and supports.

CURTIS DURGAIN, a prosperous farmer and lumberman of North Sedgwick, Hancock County, son of Joseph and Phœbe (Freethy) Durgain, was born where he now resides, October 29, 1851. The grandfather was Joseph Durgain, a native of New Hampshire, who settled as a pioneer in North Sedgwick, where he cleared a farm, built the first frame house, assisted in constructing the first roads, and was one of the early schoolmasters of the town. A man of considerable ability, he served in various town offices. At his death he was eighty-six years old. He married a daughter of Reuben Grindle.

Joseph Durgain, the father, now eighty-one years old, has resided upon the original Durgain farm since his birth. During his active

years he was engaged in farming and lumbering. He took a prominent part in local affairs for many years, and served in the more important town offices. His wife, formerly Phœbe Freethy, of this town, was a granddaughter of Elizabeth Black, who was the first white child born in Sedgwick, and who lived nearly one hundred and seven years. Joseph and Phœbe Durgain reared three children: Roland, who married Eliza Gray, and resides in Sedgwick; Ira, who died of yellow fever in Havana, Cuba; and Curtis, the subject of this sketch.

Curtis Durgain acquired his education in the district school of his neighborhood. His first knowledge of lumbering was obtained while assisting his father. At the age of twenty he started in business on his own account by building a small camp in the woods. Since he has been profitably engaged in logging. He owns a saw-mill at North Brooksville, which turns out staves, long lumber, shingles, laths, and heading. He built a small vessel at that place some time ago, which he named for his two daughters the "Mildred May," and which does a profitable carrying trade in gravel. His farm contains one hundred acres of well-improved land, and the present substantial buildings were erected by him in 1879. He married Joanna Wescott, a daughter of William and Mary (Grindle) Wescott, who were natives respectively of Blue Hill and Brooksville, Me. Mrs. Durgain taught about forty terms of school in Sedgwick, Blue Hill, and the surrounding towns. She is the mother of three

children: Mildred E., who is now teaching in the old district school-house which her father attended; Phœbe M.; and Ira Durgain. Miss Phœbe M. Durgain possesses musical talent of a high order, and is engaged in its cultivation.

In politics Mr. Durgain is a Democrat. He cast his first Presidential vote for Horace Greeley in 1872. While he has never sought for public office, he has served efficiently as ballot clerk and Road Surveyor. He is a member of the Baptist church, as is also Mrs. Durgain; and he belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Both he and Mrs. Durgain are Patrons of Husbandry.

ALONZO SMITH, County Commissioner of Somerset County, and one of its best known and most prominent citizens, resides in the town of Cornville, where he was born, March 5, 1837. His great-grandfather, Biley Smith, was at the battle of Bunker Hill. The gun carried by this ancestor on that memorable day, now in the possession of Mr. Smith, is one of the family's most sacred heirlooms. Biley Smith was one of the pioneers of Somerset County. He cleared and improved a tract of wild land in Cornville, and there reared his children. His son, David Smith, the grandfather of Alonzo, was born in New Hampshire, and came to Cornville when twelve years of age. He was a successful farmer, and nearly all the remaining seventy-four years of his life were spent on a farm in this locality.

David D. Smith, the father of Alonzo, was also born and educated in Cornville. Having, like his ancestors, a special taste for agricultural work, he selected farming as his life occupation. He bought the land now owned by his son Alonzo, and on it erected a house and afterward other buildings as they were needed. The place was successfully conducted by him until 1856, when he went to California. After remaining there a year and a half, he started for home by way of the Isthmus of Panama. He had crossed the Isthmus in safety, and had half completed the homeward sea voyage on the "Central America" when, in August, 1857, the ship foundered off Cape Hatteras, and he was drowned. With him was lost about fifteen hundred dollars in gold, the amount of his earnings in California. He was a man of strong force of character, honest and upright in every particular, and very influential in the community. To him and his wife, whose maiden name was Eliza Whittier, eleven children were born. Seven of these grew to maturity, namely: Alonzo, subject of this sketch; Louisa, whose death was the result of a railway accident in Portland, Me., on April 6, 1867; Samuel W., for many years a farmer in Ohio, who died there in April, 1897, partly from injuries received in the army; Ana L., who was the wife of the late John Judkins, of Skowhegan, Me., and died in December, 1889; Sylvester, who is a school teacher in Kansas; Isaac Judson, a resident of Skowhegan, who successively married Emma and Mary and Viola French, three daughters of Captain Joseph French and Cap-

tain Moses French, of Solon, Me.; and Martha Ann, the wife of Lyman L. Walton, of Skowhegan. After surviving her husband many years, the mother passed away on March 15, 1889.

Having received an excellent education, which was completed at Bloomfield Academy, Alonzo Smith at the age of eighteen engaged in teaching in the district schools of this vicinity, making his home all the time with his mother. On September 10, 1862, he enlisted as a private in Company D, Twenty-fourth Maine Volunteer Infantry, under Colonel G. M. Atwood and Captain A. K. P. Knowles. He was mustered into the United States service at Augusta, Me., October 13, 1862; and he remained with his regiment in that town until October 29 of the same year, when it was transported to East New York, L.I. From here, starting on January 12, 1863, it was taken by the transport ship, "Lizzie Southard," to New Orleans, arriving February 14, 1863. Leaving New Orleans on February 25, the regiment was transported to Bonnet Carré, La. This place it left May 21 for Port Hudson, where it arrived on the night of May 23, and camped on Port Hudson Plains. The regiment participated in two of the most important actions that occurred during the siege of Port Hudson and which were fought May 27 and June 14. During the sixty-three days spent here before the place surrendered, Mr. Smith, in common with the men of the regiment, experienced the trying hardships that are generally endured by the assailants in a protracted siege. He had not been long in the

service before he was made Sergeant. After the expiration of his term he was mustered out at Augusta, Me., August 25, 1863. On returning to civil life Mr. Smith resumed teaching, continuing for a year. Then he went to Bureau County, Illinois, where he worked on a farm for a few months. In 1865 he assumed the entire care of the homestead, which had come into his possession, working on the farm and teaching in winter until 1884. Here he has since continued the improvements already well inaugurated. The present dwelling was erected by him soon after he became the proprietor. There are one hundred and thirty acres of land in his home farm and twenty acres in a smaller place included in his property. He carries on farming and dairying, making a specialty of raising early potatoes and sweet corn, with which he has been quite successful. He is thoroughly versed in all branches of agriculture. His farm, which is one of the most attractive in the locality, is pleasantly located about four and a half miles north of Skowhegan, the county-seat. For five years he was a director of the Skowhegan Creamery, and as selling agent was successful in making sales in many places in Massachusetts.

On November 3, 1877, Mr. Smith married Miss Mabel Cayford, who was born in Cornville, May 1, 1859. She is a daughter of Charles and Mary (French) Cayford, of whom a brief sketch appears elsewhere in this volume. Five children have been born of the union of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, namely: Carl D., on January 12, 1879; Mary Maud, March

18, 1880; Lula L., November 14, 1881; Alice Ana, February 20, 1887; and Margery May, October 25, 1891. Only four of the children are now living. The eldest daughter in her tenth year was stricken with disease, and died October 12, 1889. Mr. Smith has been prominent in public life. For a number of years he has been a correspondent for various papers published in Maine, his agricultural articles being always interesting and valuable. He has served as Selectman for many terms, being in 1896 the chairman of the board. From the date of his majority until 1893 he was School Supervisor and a member of the School Committee during the most of that time. He is now County Commissioner, an office which he has satisfactorily filled for two years. A staunch Republican, he has taken a great deal of interest in politics, but believes in voting for the man best fitted for office. He is a member of Russell Post, No. 96, G. A. R., of Skowhegan; and of Skowhegan Grange, No. 268.

DANIEL B. WHITTIER, for nearly fifty years a prosperous general farmer and stock-raiser of Foxcroft, Piscataquis County, was born in Cornville, Somerset County, August 15, 1818, son of Joseph and Mary (McClure) Whittier. His parents were natives of New Hampshire and early settlers in Cornville. Joseph Whittier, who went to Cornville with his father, was an industrious and prosperous farmer. A Whig in politics, he was a Calvinist Baptist in re-

ligious belief. He and his wife died when about seventy years old. They were the parents of nine children, of whom Daniel B. is the only one living. The others were: Mary, Joseph, Nathaniel, Ira, Seth, Betsey, Sarah, and Arminda, all of whom attained maturity.

Daniel B. Whittier was reared and educated in his native town. His youth was passed in rendering such assistance to his father as he was able. He easily recalls how he was obliged to content himself with clothing made of the homespun provided by his mother for the family. Having previously resided at home, he came in 1850 to Foxcroft, where he has since been engaged in farming. He first located upon an adjoining farm, where he remained until 1869. Then he bought his present property, containing seventy acres of desirably located land and good substantial buildings. General farming and stock-raising have since been his principal occupations. He is still attending to his every-day duties with the energy and activity of a much younger man. His first Presidential vote was given to General William H. Harrison in 1840, and he has supported the Republican party since its formation. For two years he was a member of the Board of Selectmen in Foxcroft. In religious belief he is a Universalist.

At the age of twenty-five Mr. Whittier married Hannah Fogg, of Cornville. She became the mother of three children, namely: Stanley S., who went to Michigan, and was killed when twenty-three years old by a falling tree; Anna, who is now the wife of Thomas Genthner, a florist in Foxcroft village; and Lelia J.,

who married Lewis Wilson, an operative at Brown's woollen-mill in this town. Mrs. Whittier died September 29, 1895.

WILLIAM CURRIER RENNE, of Calais, Washington County, the managing director of the St. Croix Shoe Company, was born in Pittsfield, Mass., May 29, 1855, son of William and Mary E. (Currier) Renne. His paternal great-grandfather was John Renne, who resided in Freehold, N.Y., and lived to be ninety-three years old; and his grandfather, Peter Renne, who was a native of that town, moved to Dalton, Mass., in early life, and died there, September 30, 1843, aged eighty-two.

William Renne, the father, was born in Dalton, July 27, 1809. Going to Pittsfield when twenty-two years old, he started in the manufacture of neckwear, and followed it for some years. He is known, however, from the Atlantic to the Pacific as the proprietor of Renne's Pain-killing Magic Oil. This oil he manufactured and sold with success until 1877, when he disposed of his rights in it to a New York house, and retired from active business. In Pittsfield, where he is still residing, he has valuable property interests. He was the largest individual subscriber to the building fund of the magnificent Methodist Episcopal church in that city, which cost one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars, was the chairman of the Building Committee, and is one of the most active members of the society. His second marriage was contracted



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with Mary E. Currier, a daughter of John Currier, of Lyman, Me. She had three children: Alice, who died at the age of twelve years; William C., the subject of this sketch; and Edward Perkins Renne, who died at eighteen. The mother died August 9, 1889, aged seventy-one years.

Leaving the public schools of Pittsfield at the age of fourteen years, William Currier Renne entered the Hudson River Institute in Claverack, N.Y., from which he was graduated in 1872, at the age of seventeen. Then he attended the Syracuse University for a time. He left college to enter the business department of Robbins & Kellogg's shoe factory in Pittsfield, where he afterward worked his way forward through different positions, remaining with the firm until 1885. In this year he and George C. Hall bought of Robbins & Kellogg their prison factory at the Berkshire County House of Correction, and carried it on for the succeeding two years. At the end of that time he came to Calais, and organized the St. Croix Shoe Company, of which he is the largest stockholder. This concern, which is now doing a business amounting to three-quarters of a million dollars per annum, employs an average force of four hundred and fifty hands, and is capable of making three hundred dozen pairs of shoes per day. The factory is entirely under the management of Mr. Renne, who looks after every detail of the business here; while the salesroom in Boston is in charge of John A. Blake, the second largest stockholder. Mr. Renne is also a member of the firm J. A. Blake & Co., who are selling

agents for five New England shoe factories; a director of the Calais National Bank; and a director of the New Brunswick Red Granite Company, of Maine. He serves the city in the capacity of Alderman.

Mr. Renne married Laura M. Foster, daughter of Wesley C. Foster, of Lee, Mass. Of his six children, four are living, namely: Robert F., who was graduated with the two highest honors of his class from the Highland Military Academy, Worcester, Mass., in 1895; William J., a student at Brown University, Providence, R.I., class of 1902; Florence M.; and Norman Renne. Made a Mason in Mystic Lodge, Pittsfield, he was demitted to St. Croix Lodge, Calais. He is also a member of St. Croix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; of Hugh de Payens Commandery, Knights Templar; and of Kora Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine. He attends divine worship at the Congregational church.

BENJAMIN TAYLOR, a Civil War veteran and an industrious farmer of Lexington, Somerset County, was born in Stark, Me., July 12, 1835, son of Dennis and Joanna (Williams) Taylor. The father was a native of Stark, where he resided until 1840, and then moved to Lexington. He later removed to the vicinity of the Rangeley Lakes, where he was engaged in farming and lumbering for the rest of his active years, and died in 1895. Joanna, his wife, a native of Anson, Me., who died in 1890, became the mother of eleven children,

namely: Benjamin, the subject of this sketch; Asa and Alva, who are no longer living; Violetta; Rufus; Isaiah; Stillman; Abbie; Villa; Josephine; and Rose.

Benjamin Taylor was educated in the district schools. He had resided at home until September 2, 1861, when he enlisted for the Civil War in Company E, Eighth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry. With his regiment he participated in several hard-fought battles, including Cold Harbor; the second battle of Fair Oaks, where he was severely wounded; and the siege of Petersburg, in front of which he lost his right eye and was wounded in the right elbow. Having been taken prisoner on September 22, 1864, he was confined in a Confederate hospital, known as the "Rackets," for over three months. After his return to the Federal lines he was given a furlough home, during which he was seized with an attack of chills and fever. Upon his recovery he reported for duty at Augusta, and was honorably discharged in June, 1865. After leaving the army he was engaged in farming on Lexington Flats for about seventeen years, or until 1881, when he moved to the farm of four hundred and forty acres which he owns conjointly with his brother-in-law. Here he devotes his time principally to the raising of fancy stock and hay and grain.

In March, 1864, Mr. Taylor married Ellen C. Safford, of Lexington, a daughter of Nathan and Clarinda (Robinson) Safford. Mr. Safford was a native of Turner, and his wife of Livermore, Me. Neither is living.

Mrs. Taylor has been the mother of six children, three of whom are living: Nettie M., the wife of Augustus Bunker, of Anson; Elmer L., who married Rose Judkins, of New Portland, and is a farmer in the northern part of that town; and Bertha C., now thirteen years old, who resides with her parents. The others were: Harold S., who died in infancy; Maud E., who died at the age of thirteen years; and Gadis, who also died in infancy. In politics Mr. Taylor is a Republican, but has never aspired to public office. He is a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, and belongs to the post in New Portland.

JOHN INGLEE, of Machias, Washington County, the senior member of the firm John Inglee & Son, dealers in general merchandise, was born in Machias, April 5, 1817, son of Ebenezer and Elizabeth O. (Smith) Inglee. The father, born in Halifax, Mass., March 17, 1764, who died on October 29, 1851, came to Machias when a young man, being among the early settlers here. He worked in a tannery, and subsequently was engaged in lumbering and farming until his death. For many years he was a Justice of the Peace. On July 5, 1780, when only sixteen years old, he enlisted for six months in the Continental army, being in the Eleventh Division, under the command of General Enos Bancroft. Ebenezer's division was marched by the body of Major André after the spy had been hanged. He was discharged from the army, January 2, 1781. Elizabeth, his wife,

was a daughter of George S. Smith from the Provinces. Both she and her husband were members of the Congregational church. Of their eight children, seven reached maturity; namely, Charles, Anna, William, Betsey, Lewis, John, and Jane. All except John are now deceased. Anna married Dennis Garland, who is also deceased.

After leaving school John Inglee engaged in surveying and lumbering, and was subsequently in the lumbering business on his own account for several years. He then clerked in various stores for a number of years, and eventually started his present business, which is now the oldest in Machias. He was at first in partnership with Clark Perry in the firm of Perry & Inglee. After Mr. Perry's death he was sole proprietor until his son, Charles E., was admitted to partnership, forming the present firm.

Mr. Inglee has been twice married. By his first wife, Mary Elizabeth, who was a daughter of William Brown, of this place, there were four children, namely: Charles E., above mentioned; William B., now of Whitehall, N. Y.; Emma, who is the wife of William H. Phinney, of Machias; and Paley, now also of Whitehall, N. Y. Mr. Inglee's second wife was in maidenhood Isabel Hanscom, daughter of Otis P. Hanscom, of Machias, and a granddaughter of Major Bowker, an officer who served with distinction in the Revolution. Adequately qualified by his ancestry, Mr. Inglee is a member of the Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. He attends and supports the Methodist Epis-

copal church. While an earnest Republican, he has never been desirous of political office. The only secret society to which he has ever belonged was the organization known as the Know Nothings.

JOSEPH D. PHILLIPS, M.D., a physician of South-west Harbor, Hancock County, son of Luther and Lavonia (Noyes) Phillips, was born in Orland, Me., December 17, 1857. The family is of early Colonial origin. Mr. Phillips's paternal grandfather, Andrew, was drowned off Castine during the War of 1812. After coming to Hancock County, Luther Phillips, who was a native of Kittery, Me., resided successively in Castine, Orland, and Hancock. He followed the occupations of farmer and fisherman. At his death he was eighty-one years old. He was a member of the Board of Selectmen in Orland and Hancock, and represented his district in the legislature. His wife, Lavonia, was the mother of four sons; namely, Willard H., Fred I., George A., and Joseph D. Willard H. resides in Hancock; Fred I., at Northeast Harbor; and George A. Phillips, who is a physician, lives in Ellsworth, Me.

Having obtained his elementary education in the district schools of Hancock, Joseph D. Phillips graduated at the Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield, Me. His medical studies were pursued at the University of New York, where he graduated in 1886. In 1893 he took a course at the Post-graduate Medical School in New York. Since 1886 he has been lo-

cated at South-west Harbor. His practice, which extends to all parts of the island, is large and lucrative; and he is highly spoken of by his fellow-townsmen and many others, who have good reason to commend his ability.

Dr. Phillips married Miss Carrie F. Dix, of Mount Desert, who died in 1892. He is a member of both the Maine Medical Association and the Knights of Pythias, and a member and the treasurer of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In politics he is a Republican, and he cast his first Presidential vote for James A. Garfield in 1880. He has served with ability upon the School Board. The Doctor takes a lively interest in public improvements, and is the president of the South-west Harbor Water Company.

JOHN H. AUSTIN, Postmaster at Lamoine, Hancock County, was born in the neighboring town of Trenton, August 24, 1824, a son of Joseph R. Austin. His paternal grandfather, Ichabod Austin, was born and brought up in Nobleboro, Lincoln County, from whence he removed to Hancock County at an early period of its settlement. He settled in Franklin, where he was engaged as a blacksmith throughout his active days, and where he and his wife, whose maiden name was Rollins, passed their declining years.

Joseph R. Austin was born during the residence of his parents in Nobleboro. From his father he learned the blacksmith's trade, which he made his life occupation, working at his

trade in connection with farming. When a young man he bought in Trenton a tract of partly cleared land, on which he lived for a few years, but subsequently took up one hundred and fifty acres in North Lamoine, where he made his permanent home. He built a new house and shop, and, continuing in the labors which had hitherto engrossed his attention, he made a substantial living for himself and family. He married Margaret Berry, who bore him eight children, of whom the names of seven were, respectively, Samuel, Lewis, Ransom, Elisha, Julia A., John H., and Walter J. Of these, John H. and Julia A. (who lives in Hackensack, N.J.) are the sole survivors. The father died at the advanced age of seventy-two years, and the mother at the age of sixty-five.

John H. Austin was educated in the district schools. While yet a young man he learned the trade of a mason, which he followed in this vicinity for thirty-five years. He was also engaged in agricultural pursuits to some extent at the same time. For the past fifteen years he has had charge of the Lamoine post-office, a position which he has satisfactorily filled; and he has likewise served the town as School Agent. In 1848 Mr. Austin cast his vote for the Whig candidate for the Presidency, General Zachary Taylor; but in 1856, when the Republican party was organized, he joined the Democratic ranks, and has since affiliated with that party. In religious belief he is a Unitarian. Fraternally, he is a member of the local grange and of the Sons of Temperance.

On April 16, 1858, Mr. Austin married Miss Laura A., daughter of Leonard J. and Lavinia (Lord) Austin. They have had three children — Julia A., Willis H., and Algernon S. Willis left home sixteen years ago, and his present whereabouts is not known. Algernon was drowned ten years ago. He left a wife and two boys — Hoyt H. and Herman L. Austin. Julia A. married Wilber Wallace, and lives in South-west Harbor.

SAMUEL K. WHITING, a retired merchant of Ellsworth and a former member of the Maine Executive Council, was born in the immediate vicinity of his present residence, October 15, 1823. A son of Thomas J. and Eliza J. (Dutton) Whiting, he is descended on the father's side from the first settled pastor in Lynn, Mass., the Rev. Samuel Whiting. (An account of the ancestry of the family will be found in the biography of Henry Whiting.)

Thomas J. Whiting, who was born in Lancaster, Mass., in 1796, came to Ellsworth about the year 1817. Here he started a general store, and conducted it until 1826. For a time he was Postmaster of the town. Subsequently he was captain of the "Veto," the first United States revenue cutter stationed here; and later he became Sheriff of Hancock County and keeper of the jail, which at that time was located in Castine. His last days were spent in Castine, where he died at the age of thirty-seven years. Eliza J. Whiting, his wife, who was a daughter of Jesse Dutton,

became the mother of five sons; namely, Thomas J., Henry, Samuel K., Joseph W., and Andrew J. Whiting. Thomas J., who is no longer living, never married, and was for many years a master mariner. The late Henry Whiting married Susan Jarvis, of Castine, and reared six children — Susan J., Mary, Thomas J., Samuel K., Henry, and George W. Whiting. Joseph W., now known as Joseph W. Wood, married Lorinda Hamden, has four children, and resides in Eden, Me. Andrew J. is married and has no children.

Samuel K. Whiting was deprived of a father's care at the age of ten years. His education was obtained in the district schools. When fourteen years old he became a clerk for John H. Jarvis, receiving the sum of six dollars per month, with which he had to board and clothe himself. He was afterward employed by I. R. Jordan in the same capacity for over four years. Then he entered into partnership with his brother Henry, and established the business in Ellsworth which is now carried on by his nephews. Selling his interest to his brother in 1874, he began speculating in real estate at Bar Harbor, which was then in the first stage of its popularity as a fashionable summer resort. Subdividing a tract of land purchased by him at a nominal price, he sold building lots at a good profit to those desiring to erect cottages. The handsome residence which he occupies in the most beautiful part of the city, adjoining the Unitarian church property, is built upon a part of an acre of land that was purchased by his father for eighty dollars. He

has taken special care to preserve the house built and dwelt in by the elder Whiting.

Mr. Whiting married Eliza J. Morse, who has borne him three children, namely: Charles, who died in infancy; John H., who died at the age of nineteen years; and Pamela W., now the wife of Edward B. Bowen, of Newton, Mass. He has represented the city with ability in the Maine House of Representatives, and was a member of Governor Chamberlain's Council. His first Presidential vote was given to James K. Polk in 1844, and he has acted with the Republican party since 1861. A member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, he formerly belonged to the lodge in Ellsworth.

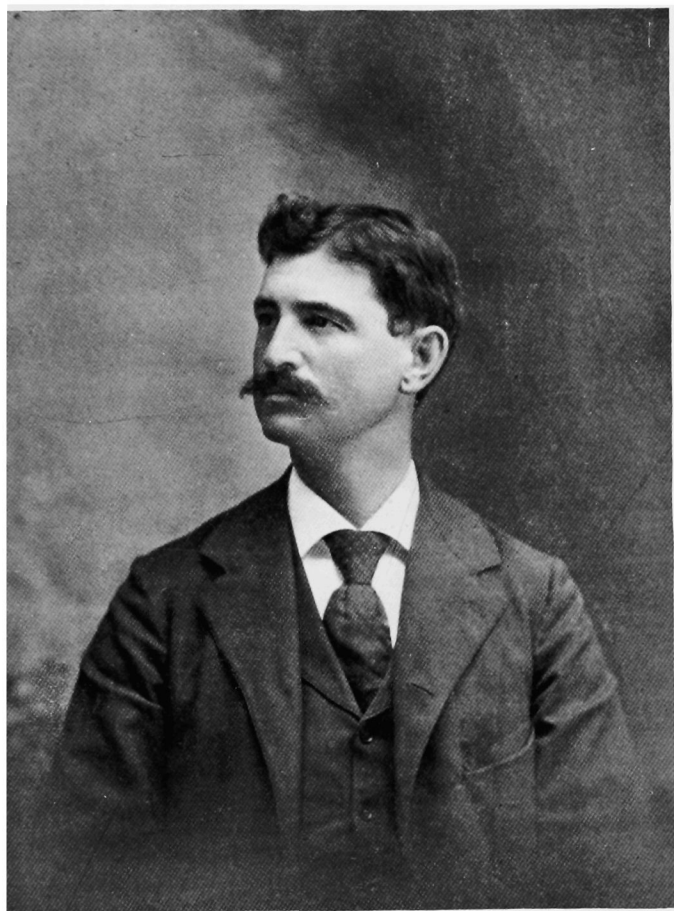
WALTER JOSEPH CREAMER, a prominent business man of Penobscot, Hancock County, and Collector of Customs at the Port of Castine, was born in Waldoboro, Me., April 30, 1859, son of Joseph and Mary (Kaler) Creamer. The grandfather, George W. Creamer, a native of Waldoboro, reached the age of sixty-eight years. The maiden name of his wife was Elizabeth Sidelinger.

Joseph Creamer, also a native of Waldoboro, was for many years a ship-carpenter, his part of the work being that of a beveller. He is still residing at the homestead in Waldoboro. Mary Creamer, his wife, became the mother of two sons—Alfred G. and Walter J. Alfred G. Creamer, a graduate of the East Maine Conference Seminary and the Boston

University Theological School, was for several years a Methodist missionary in India. At present he is in feeble health, and resides in Goshen, Conn. He married Lucy Allen, and has three children. Mrs. Mary Creamer is now deceased.

Walter Joseph Creamer went from the district schools of Waldoboro to the Bucksport Seminary, and was graduated from the East Maine Conference Seminary in 1881. He taught school previous to graduating, in order to complete his education; and in the fall of 1881 he became the principal of the high school in Stafford Springs, Conn. He had been here two years, when the impaired condition of his health compelled him to resign. After spending a year at the homestead in Waldoboro and having recovered his health, he came to South Penobscot, and there was associated in business with Mrs. A. C. Condon until 1885. In this year he established himself in the knitting business in Penobscot village, where he has built up a profitable trade. He also carries on a store devoted to millinery and plain and fancy dry goods.

Mr. Creamer first married Elida G. Condon, a daughter of Mrs. A. C. Condon, of South Penobscot, and who died eighteen months later. His second wife, Lena, a daughter of Nelson and Edna Wardwell, had one son, Walter Joseph Creamer, Jr., who was born March 3, 1896. Mr. Creamer cast his first Presidential vote for General W. S. Hancock in 1880, and is one of the prominent Democrats of Hancock County, having been chairman of the County Committee four years and



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a member of the State Committee for Hancock County four years. He was the candidate of his party for clerk of courts in 1898. He has served as a Selectman and superintendent of schools, and was appointed Collector to the Port of Castine by the Cleveland administration in 1894. Well advanced in Masonry, he belongs to St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Bangor; and he is also connected with the Independent Order of Foresters.

WILLARD S. CATES,* one of the leading general merchants of Machiasport, Washington County, was born in this town, November 11, 1869, son of Captain Joseph W. and Mary O. (Drisko) Cates. His grandfather, Asa Cates, a native of Machiasport, who learned ship-carpentering when a young man, and later followed the sea for a number of years, spent his last days ashore. Joseph W. Cates, son of Asa, born here in 1844, commenced seafaring when ten years old, and became a shipmaster at nineteen. At the present time he is one of the best known sea captains of this locality, and is the owner and master of a fine brig engaged in the foreign and coast trade. Captain Cates is connected with Warren Lodge, No. 2, F. & A. M. His wife, Mary Olivia, a daughter of Jeremiah Drisko, of Machiasport, had five children. Of these two are living, namely: Willard S., the subject of this sketch; and Eva, the wife of Samuel Tobey, of this town. Both parents are members of the Congregational church.

Willard S. Cates was educated in the public schools and at the Washington Academy. After the completion of his studies he went to New York, where he was employed as a clerk in a mercantile establishment for about sixteen months. Upon his return in 1890 he started in business for himself. Having altered a dwelling-house so as to make a store of it, he built additions as business increased. He had succeeded in securing a large trade when his store was destroyed in the fire of 1893. From the ashes has risen his present spacious quarters, completed in 1895, and which is the largest store in the town. His trade is still expanding.

Mr. Cates married Maud Grant, a daughter of Captain Aaron Grant, of this place. Mrs. Cates is the mother of two children — Christine and an infant. Mr. and Mrs. Cates are members of the Congregational church.

OTIS SAWYER,* one of the leading farmers of Smithfield township, Somerset County, Me., was born in Starks, this county, April 2, 1826, a son of Otis, Sr., and Mahala (Leathers) Sawyer.

The father was born in East Mercer, Somerset County, where he spent the first part of his life. He eventually removed to Starks, where he died, February 12, 1826. His wife, Mahala, a native of Starks, bore him five children, namely: Henry, who died March 3, 1845; Louisa, who died in October, 1873, and who married for her first husband Giles Cunniff, and after his death became the wife of

the late Eben Holmes; Hannah, who is the wife of Nicholas Rogers, a stone-mason, living at Three Rivers, Mass.; Alden, a retired trader of Greene, Me., who married Amanda Leathers; and Otis, the subject of this sketch. After the death of her first husband the mother again married, Joel H. Doyen becoming her husband. Of this union there were also five children, their names being given on another page of this volume, in connection with the sketch of Joel H. Doyen.

Otis Sawyer remained with his mother and step-father until he was sixteen years old, when he went to New Sharon, Me., to learn the trade of a tanner and currier. He then worked at his trade for seven years, and in the time operated a tannery, which he built in Smithfield, for two years. In 1854 he started West in search of fortune, going to El Dorado County, California, where he was occupied in mining and lumbering until the spring of 1859. Soon after his return to Smithfield Mr. Sawyer married, and, purchasing the old Sawyer farm, on which he has since resided, began life as a farmer. He has one hundred and fifty-three acres of land, which by persistent industry and wise forethought he has brought to a high state of cultivation and made one of the most attractive homesteads of this locality. He is interested in all the branches of agriculture, including dairying and stock-raising, which he carries on to some extent.

On July 1, 1860, Mr. Sawyer married Miss Maria C. Pattee, who was born December 15, 1836, in Mercer township, the lifelong resi-

dence of her parents, Asa and Clarissa Leathers Pattee. Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer have two children; namely, Charles J. and Harvey L. The eldest son, born May 6, 1861, now superintendent of the straw works in Medfield, Mass., married Miss Lettie Whitehouse. Harvey L., born February 24, 1863, a trader, living in the village of Smithfield, is Town Treasurer. Mr. Sawyer has always been a warm supporter of the principles of the Republican party, and has given faithful service to his fellow-townsmen in various offices, having been Selectman nine years, five years of the time acting as chairman of the board, Town Clerk, and the incumbent of minor offices. He has also been a member of the State legislature, having been Representative in 1885 and in 1895. He belongs to Lebanon Lodge, F. & A. M., No. 116, of Norridge-wock.

CAPTAIN ISAAC HUTCHINSON,*
of Castine, a retired master mariner, was born in Blue Hill, Me., June 18, 1821, son of John and Lydia (Harris) Hutchinson. The father, a native of Sedgwick, Me., in his younger days followed the sea. He resided in Brooksville for a time, but later removed to a farm on Deer Isle, where he passed the rest of his life, dying at the age of seventy-two years. Lydia, his wife, who was a native of Deer Isle, became the mother of six children, two of whom, Nancy and Isaac, are still living. The others were: Samuel, who died at the age of fourteen years; Lydia, deceased, who married

Solomon Gray, who died in the army, leaving two daughters — Sophronia and Lydia; John H., who died in Colorado, leaving three children; and Susan H., who married Alfred Simpson, and died at the age of thirty-five, leaving two children.

Isaac Hutchinson acquired his school education in Deer Isle. At the age of twenty-one he became a sailor, which occupation he followed for forty years, for thirty-seven of which he was master of vessels engaged principally in the foreign trade. He was unusually fortunate, never meeting with any serious disaster, which speaks well for his ability as a seaman and navigator; and his voyages were attended with good financial results. Retiring from the sea about 1882, he bought a residence in Castine, situated in the neighborhood of the old fort, and has since resided here.

Captain Hutchinson married for his first wife Lucy A. Gray, who bore him four children, namely: Clara, who married Frederick R. Strange, of Bangor, and has one son, Frederick N. Strange; Sarah C., who died young; Charles W., who married Alma Clark, the ceremony taking place in South China; and Stover P. Hutchinson, who died at the age of twenty-two years.

Politically, Captain Hutchinson is a Democrat, and his first Presidential vote was cast for James K. Polk in 1844. He manifested his patriotism during the Civil War by offering his services to the Navy Department as a master, but was not accepted on account of his age. It need hardly be said that those

who had the matter in charge could have had little knowledge of the ability of a Maine sailor but a little over forty years old. Captain Hutchinson is a member of Hancock Lodge, F. & A. M., of Castine, which is one of the oldest lodges in the State. In religious belief he is a Baptist, and he has been a church member since boyhood.

JEFFERSON PARLIN MOORE,⁺ for many years one of the prominent farmers and best known citizens of Abbot, Piscataquis County, was born in Norridgewock, Me., March 27, 1806, son of Abraham and Betsey (Spaulding) Moore. The paternal grandfather, Major John Moore, who was born in Litchfield, Mass., in 1731, participated in the battle of Bunker Hill, and was promoted to the rank of Major for gallant conduct on the field. In 1778 he settled in Norridgewock, but two years later removed to Anson, Me. At one time he owned the site of the present village of that name. In 1754 he married for his first wife Peggy Goff, daughter of Colonel John Goff, by whom he had nine children. For his second wife he married a widow, Mrs. Weston. He died in Norridgewock in 1809.

Abraham Moore, with three brothers, accompanied his father to Norridgewock, in which town he acquired possession of a farm. This he subsequently sold; and in March, 1807, he bought eight hundred acres of wild land in what is now the town of Abbot, and made the first clearing in this vicinity. With

his wife and six children he took up his residence in a log house, where they lived until he was able to erect a frame dwelling, and in course of time he cleared a good farm. During the year 1816, in common with other settlers, they suffered severe privations on account of frosts that occurred every month, and killed all cereals, the settlers being obliged to subsist mainly upon potatoes and other vegetables. Abraham Moore built one of the first saw-mills in Abbot, and operated it in connection with farming until 1818, when he moved to Dover, and erected a grist-mill on the west side of Glen Falls. He later returned to Abbot, where his last days were spent, his death occurring April 17, 1844, when he was seventy-five years old. His wife, Betsey, whom he married in 1790, lived to the great age of ninety-six years. Their children were: Betsey, Seth, Abraham, Cyrus, Esther S., Mary, Jefferson P., Liberty S., Sarah, John, and Abraham (second). Of these, ten grew to maturity.

Jefferson Parlin Moore attended the first district school established in this section by the early settlers of Abbot and Guilford, and he subsequently attended school in Dover and Foxcroft. He resided in Abbot and this vicinity during the greater part of his life, from early manhood making agriculture his chief occupation. He was familiar with the land in this locality, and his knowledge of its capabilities for raising different kinds of produce enabled him to attain prosperity as a general farmer. Making two trips to the gold fields of California, first in 1849 and again in

1856, he was also successful as a miner. At the time of his death, which occurred recently (1898), he owned a productive farm of two hundred acres, in the cultivation of which he was engaged until within a comparatively brief period before his demise.

In October, 1833, Mr. Moore married Lucy M. Smith, daughter of Captain Isaac Smith, of Dexter, Me. He had five children, two of whom died in infancy, the only survivor being Isaac S. Moore, a real estate dealer in San Pedro, Cal., who has been Judge of the municipal court in that town. Mrs. Moore died in August, 1884.

A Democrat politically, Mr. Moore served as Deputy Sheriff in three different counties, was at one time Coroner for Piscataquis County, represented his district in the legislature in 1834, and for many years acted as a Justice of the Peace. He was highly esteemed by his fellow-townsmen, who expected that he would live to witness the dawn of a new century, such was his physical vigor in his latter years.

GEORGE ALBERT CURRAN,* of Calais, Washington County, a leading member of the Washington County bar and an ex-member of the legislature, was born in this city, October 14, 1849, son of James and Mary Elizabeth (Jenkins) Curran. The father was a native of St. Andrews, N.B., from which town his parents moved to St. Stephen's. Upon reaching manhood he engaged in the lumber business. In 1849 he

moved his family to Manitowoc, Wis., where he was a lumber manufacturer and merchant until his death, which occurred some four years later. A member of the Masonic order, he was Past Master of the Blue Lodge in St. Stephen s. His wife, Mary, a daughter of Samuel Jenkins, of Calais, became the mother of two children: Henry Gratton Curran, now a resident of California; and George A., the subject of this sketch.

After his father's death George Albert Curran returned with his mother to Calais, where he subsequently attended the public schools and graduated from the academy. Commencing the study of law when sixteen years old in the office of the Hon. Charles R. Whidden, he practised in the local courts at the age of eighteen, and two years later was admitted to the bar. At first he was in partnership with his preceptor, under the firm name of Whidden & Curran, until Mr. Whidden was appointed Collector of Customs. Then he succeeded to the entire business, and has since been the legal adviser and attorney of a numerous clientage. Most of the corporations and large manufacturers have intrusted him with their affairs for years. Of the many notable cases successfully contested by him was that of *Doyle et al. v. Whalen et al.*, the first instance of its kind in the county, in which he appeared for the plaintiffs. The case arose out of a disastrous conflagration that swept over the city some years ago. A large relief fund that had been forwarded by sympathizing cities and towns was placed for distribution in the hands of a committee. This body, after

satisfying the immediate wants of the most destitute victims of the fire, placed the remainder of the fund, a sum of thirty thousand dollars, at interest, directing the income thereof to be used for the support of paupers. Mr. Curran, taking the ground that such action was practically giving the benefit of the contribution to the larger tax-payers, instead of appropriating it to the use for which it was intended by the donors, filed a bill in equity, asking the court to appoint a master empowered to distribute the amount in question among those who had lost property by the fire. The petition was granted, and the thirty thousand dollars reached the sufferers as originally intended.

Mr. Curran is the principal stockholder, president, and general manager of the Calais Street Railway Company, which leases and operates the St. Stephen's Street Railway; the president of the Washington County Railroad Company, whose charter he wrote and subsequently fought for, inch by inch, in the legislature; and the secretary of the New Brunswick Red Granite Company, which employs from four hundred to five hundred men. He has frequently visited Washington, D.C., representing local interests threatened by tariff changes. In politics he is a Republican. He was City Solicitor for sixteen years. A member of the State legislature in 1878 and 1879, he served upon the Committees on Judiciary and Elections, and was the chairman of the Committee on Legal Affairs. He was Collector of the Passamaquoddy District for eight months longer than the usual

term, efficiently discharging the duties of that responsible post under three different tariff schedules; and he was selected by Governor Cleaves to revise the fisheries laws.

Mr. Curran married Mary S. Young, a daughter of Benjamin Young, of Calais. His children are: Benjamin Y. and Marian H. Quite prominent in Masonic circles, he is a member of St. Croix Lodge, F. & A. M.; of St. Croix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; of Hugh de Payens Commandery, Knights Templar, of Calais; and of Delta Lodge of Perfection, of Machias. He is a Past Counsellor of Calais Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and connected with C. H. Porter Division, Uniform Rank. He is a member of Fellowship Lodge, I. O. O. F., and of Ivanhoe Encampment. Both he and Mrs. Curran attend the Universalist church, of which Mrs. Curran is a member.

ARTHUR MERRILL, superintendent of the old Merrill Brownville slate quarries and an esteemed resident of Brownville, Piscataquis County, Me., was born April 17, 1852, in East Corinth, Penobscot County, this State. He is a son of the late Adams H. and Persis (Greenleaf) Merrill, and is a descendant of early New England Colonists. The immigrant ancestor of Mr. Merrill on his mother's side was Edmund Greenleaf, who came to America from England and settled at Newbury, Mass., in 1635.

Adams H. Merrill was a native of Belfast, Me. In his early years he engaged in lumbering, but later became interested in the slate

industry of Maine. Purchasing an interest in the slate quarries at Brownville in 1852, he came here to live. He was a pioneer at Brownville in this line of business, opening up the first quarry in the place. The enterprise brought him a good income, and he continued in the business until his death. In religious belief he was a strong Congregationalist. In politics he was a Republican. He died in November, 1890, aged eighty-four years. His wife, Persis Greenleaf Merrill, was born in Gloucester, N.H. She died in 1895. Thirteen children, five sons and eight daughters, were born to them; namely, Adolphus, Henry A., Julia, Helen, Harriet, Maria, Ferdinand W., Frederick, Kate, Elizabeth, Martha, Arthur, and Jessie. All are living but Julia, who died in infancy, and Kate, who died some time after her marriage to Rufus Wilder.

Arthur Merrill, the youngest son, passed his boyhood here in Brownville. He attended the town schools and a school at Kent's Hill; but his opportunities for receiving instruction were confined to his earlier years, for when he reached the age of twelve he began working in the quarries, and has made a life study of the business. The Merrill Brownville Slate Company's quarries, of which Mr. Merrill is now superintendent, comprise one quarry in Brownville and one in Williamsburg, these quarries mentioned being those owned by Mr. Merrill's father and of which the son was superintendent. Their quarries are now in full operation, and Mr. Merrill has from seventy-five to one hundred men under his direction. Having grown up in the business, as it were, he enjoys a



ARTHUR MERRILL.

thorough knowledge of slate quarrying, possessed by few in this locality. His father was also well posted on the subject. The Brownville quarries turn out roofing slate exclusively.

At the age of twenty-two Mr. Merrill was joined in marriage with Miss Olive Whitney, a native of Newburg, Me. Three daughters — namely, Kate, Josephine M., and Barbara — were born of this union. Later Mr. Merrill married Clara G. Pratt, of Brownville, daughter of T. W. and Kate E. (Morse) Pratt.

In religious belief Mr. and Mrs. Merrill are Congregationalists. He is a staunch Republican in political views. They reside in the handsome residence that he recently built. The house is finely finished within, mahogany, sycamore, and hard pine being the woods employed in the principal rooms. It stands facing Pleasant River, of which a beautiful view is afforded, and is withal very attractive in interior and surroundings.

ANDREW J. HANSCOM,⁺ a busy lumber manufacturer of East Machias, Washington County, was born in Crawford, September 23, 1831, son of James and Sarah (Bedell) Hanscom. Sylvanus Hanscom, the grandfather, a native of East Machias, followed farming and lumbering during the active period of his life. The father, who was born in this town, August 23, 1804, settled when a young man among the pioneers of Crawford, where he carried on lumbering operations until about the year 1839. Then returning to East Machias, he continued in

business as long as he was able to be about, and was a well-known figure among the lumbermen of this section in his day. Sarah Bedell Hanscom, his wife, was a daughter of Elisha and Marjorie (West) Bedell, the former of whom came here from Dorchester, Mass., and engaged in lumbering and farming. Marjorie Bedell was a native of this town. Mrs. Sarah Hanscom became the mother of five children, two of whom grew up, namely: Andrew J., the subject of this sketch; and Elisha, who is no longer living. The father was actively interested in the Methodist Episcopal church, serving as steward and class leader. The mother was a member of the same church.

Andrew J. Hanscom was educated in the district schools. Since early manhood he has been identified with the lumber and manufacturing industry of this locality. In politics he is a Democrat. He has been a member of the Board of Assessors for twenty-two years, and is now serving his fifth term as Tax Collector. By his marriage with Emeline L. Pierce, a daughter of Jonas Pierce, of East Machias, he became the father of five children, namely: Herbert, who is no longer living; Laura, who married Robert J. McGarragle, of Calais, and has four children — Clara A., Jerold, Lizzie, and Philip; Amelia, who married Frank W. Gray, of this town, and has five children — Marjorie, Alice, William, John C., and Mildred; Lois, who is the wife of Sanford Elsmore, of East Machias, and has two children — Nellie and Annie; and Gertrude, who is the wife of Manley Gray, of this town, and

has three children — Andrew H., Virginia P., and Ellaworth H.

Mr. Hanscom is connected with Warren Lodge, F. & A. M., and Warren Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and he is an active member of the various temperance organizations. He has served as a trustee and steward of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Hanscom is a member of the Congregational church.

HENRY BLACKSTONE,* Postmaster of Shirley Mills, Piscataquis County, was born in Blanchard, this county, June 15, 1843, son of Benjamin and Mary Ann (Goodell) Blackstone. His father's father, who was a ship-builder by trade, was an early settler in New Gloucester, Cumberland County, this State; and in that town Benjamin Blackstone was born in 1805. He, too, was a ship-builder. He also followed the sea, was part owner of a mackerel schooner, learned the brickmaker's trade, and was quite successful as a farmer. One of the early settlers in the town of Blanchard, he made some of the first bricks used there. He was one of those who owned the largest land estates and paid the highest tax bills in the town. In politics he was successively a Whig and a Republican. A member of the Congregational church, he took an active part in the affairs of the society. He died when eighty-seven years old. His wife is also deceased. Of their eight children, Franklin C., Hiram G., and Julia A. are also deceased. The survivors are: Ada, the widow of R. W.

Sawyer, residing in Garland; Henry, the subject of this sketch; Mary E., the wife of Henry P. Chandler, of Belgrade Mills, Me.; Charles E., residing in Blanchard; and Willard H., residing in Augusta, Me.

Henry Blackstone was educated in the schools of Blanchard. In 1861, though only eighteen years of age, he enlisted; and in November of that year he was mustered into Company C, Thirteenth Regiment of Maine Volunteers. During a large part of his term he was in active service, taking part in the engagements at Sabine Cross Roads and Pleasant Hill and in the Red River campaign, and receiving promotion to the rank of Corporal. His company was for some time in the Department of the Gulf. Honorably discharged in August, 1865, he returned to his native town and engaged in farming and lumbering. In 1877 or 1878 he moved to Shirley. Here he was engaged in the manufacture of lumber for a number of years. In 1884 he built the house known as Hotel Blackstone, which he managed for four years. He then turned his attention to farming for a while, and in the meantime built the steam veneer-mills, which he eventually sold. Besides the old Blackstone home in Blanchard, he owns considerable land in this town. He is still engaged in farming, and much of his time is given to post-office work. He was appointed Postmaster in the spring of 1897, having previously served in that capacity after his first appointment in 1888. He has just completed a new building, twenty by thirty feet, handsomely finished in native wood, for post-office and other

business. As a business man he is enterprising and successful; and as Postmaster he is courteous and obliging. In politics he is a Republican. He has served as Road Commissioner; has been a Justice of the Peace for twelve years; and is at present Constable, the secretary of the Board of Health, and a member of the School Committee.

Mr. Blackstone was married to Flora C. Orcutt, a daughter of Ezra Orcutt, born in Charleston, Sullivan County, Me. His children were: Effie E., who lived but four and a half months; Anna Belle, residing in Shirley; and Addie M., the wife of Harry W. Wade, of Skowhegan, Me. Mrs. Wade has one daughter, Jennie D. Mr. Blackstone is a member of Doric Lodge, F. & A. M., of Monson; and of Gerry Post, No. 5, G. A. R. Long interested in military affairs, he has held the rank of Lieutenant and Captain in the reserve State militia.

JOHN H. EVELETH,* of Greenville, one of the leading business men of Piscataquis County, son of Oliver and Betsey (Whitcomb) Eveleth, was born in Monson, Me., December 21, 1826. His paternal grandfather, Daniel, born October 22, 1763, who was a farmer of Stow, Mass., married Betsey Hale, who was born November 11, 1760. Oliver Eveleth was born in Stow, January 3, 1792. He had an uncle living in Augusta, Me., who employed him to do some planting in the town of Wilson. Afterward by his uncle's suggestion, he bought some of

the wild land in Wilson, to which after disposing of his interests in Massachusetts he brought his wife and daughter, transporting his effects on an ox team. He bought ten acres of land in Monson, near that which he had purchased of his uncle, and here established a home. This was in 1822 or 1823. Among the things he had brought from Massachusetts was a trunk filled with needles, pins, and Yankee notions; and he was the first merchant of Monson. Farming, lumbering, and trading, he was a very busy man, and met with the success his enterprise deserved. In 1850 he moved to Greenville, where he died, June 4, 1874. In politics he was a Whig and a Republican. On February 21, 1820, he was married to Betsey Whitcomb, a native of Bolton, Mass., who died December 19, 1880. They reared two children—Emily A. and John H. Emily A., who was born in Stow, Mass., in 1821, married A. G. Huston, and died July 8, 1846. Both of the parents were Congregationalists.

John H. Eveleth was educated in the schools of Monson and at Foxcroft Academy. He was in Greenville for a short time in the spring of 1847. In the fall of 1848 he purchased a quantity of goods in Boston, and opened a store in Greenville. He had helped in his father's store, and found the occupation distasteful; but he was very successful as a merchant. The business he then established is now in a flourishing condition. In 1849, leaving the store in charge of his father, he went to California by way of the Isthmus, and was there engaged in mining for two years.

The chief object of the journey was to benefit his health. On his return he took charge of his store again. This stand is one of the oldest in Piscataquis County to-day, having been in existence upward of forty years. It is stocked with a good line of general merchandise. Mr. Eveleth also owns the Eveleth House, which he built in 1855, and which, so far, he has leased to others. He also owns a hotel at Sunacook, and did own other houses; and he is a stockholder of the hotel in the West Cove, of the Kineo Hotel, and of the Moosehead Inn at Greenville Junction. He has been engaged in lumbering for over thirty years, owning lumber-mills in Shirley; and he is extensively interested in timber lands. In 1874 he bought a half-interest in the timber region of Frenchtown, and a quarter-interest in the same place later; and he owns other tracts of land. Interested in steamboats for some thirty-eight years, he is now a stockholder of the Moosehead Lake Navigation Company, and is the sole owner of three steamboats. He is also a stockholder of the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad, owns a slate vein in Monson, is president of the Stock Company Hotel Inn, the president of a stock company of Kineo, and has been a director of the Kineo Bank since its incorporation. He has done much for the advancement of Piscataquis County, and has been instrumental in having roads opened up in different sections.

Mr. Eveleth was first married May 20, 1862, to Louise Ellen Mansell, who died November 21, 1885. She bore him two children, namely: Emily R., born February 22,

1863, who died July 1, 1864; and Rebecca W., born April 12, 1865, who is the wife of Arthur A. Crofts, of West Cove, Me. A second marriage on October 8, 1888, united Mr. Eveleth with Miss Hattie Hunter, of Alton, Me. There are no children by this union. He has been a stanch Republican ever since Fort Sumter was fired on. He was Postmaster of Greenville nearly thirty years, succeeding his father in that office; and for the past five years he has been a member of the Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk, and Town Treasurer. On religious subjects his views are liberal.

ANGUS O. CAMPBELL,* superintendent of the St. Ronan's Woollen Mill, Sangerville, was born in Dexter, Me., January 25, 1860, son of David R. and Betsey (Springer) Campbell. His father, who is one of the best known woollen manufacturers in this section of the State of Maine, was born in the city of Glasgow, Scotland, July 30, 1830; and his mother is a native of Amesbury, Mass.

Angus O. Campbell has resided in Sangerville since he was nine years old. His public-school education was supplemented by a commercial course at Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. He early began to familiarize himself with the woollen manufacturing industry, and, having as a result acquired a practical knowledge of both the mechanical and business departments, at the age of twenty-one he was admitted to partnership with his father. For three years he acted as

agent and treasurer of the Carlton Mills, but the greater part of his time has been devoted to the interests of the St. Ronan's Mills, of which he is now superintendent. This plant, which was established mainly through the instrumentality of Mr. David R. Campbell, commenced operations with a small force in 1869. The determination of its projectors to manufacture a line of goods which should become standard in the market soon placed the St. Ronan's upon a firm business footing, and an increasing demand for its products ere long made it necessary to enlarge its facilities and augment its operative force. A strict adherence to the original basis of operation has been minutely observed, thus enabling the mills to maintain the high reputation acquired at the start; and the fine quality of dress goods, suitings, and overcoatings produced at the present time insures their immediate disposal at good prices. The St. Ronan's Mill is now owned by David R. Campbell and his two sons, Angus O. and David O. Campbell. It is equipped throughout with machinery and implements of the latest pattern, employs a force of eighty-five operatives, and its present superintendent has fully demonstrated his ability to manage its affairs in a manner which will insure satisfactory results.

On November 10, 1881, Angus O. Campbell was united in marriage with Bertha Wade, daughter of the late Captain A. T. Wade, of Sangerville. Mrs. Campbell is the mother of one son, Angus Wade Campbell, born February 7, 1883.

Politically, Mr. Campbell is a Republican.

His ability has been called into use for public purposes, and he has rendered valuable services to the community as Town Treasurer and a member of the School Board. He is connected with Mount Kineo Lodge, F. & A. M., at Guilford; Piscataquis Royal Arch Chapter, Dover; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, Bangor; and Kora Temple of the Mystic Shrine, Lewiston. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Foresters at Sangerville. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell occupy a handsome new residence in the village. In religion they are Universalists.

FRANK L. SHAW, M.D.,* of Machias, Washington County, was born in this town, February 1, 1864, son of John and Relief A. (Babcock) Shaw. William Shaw, grandfather of the Doctor, spent most of his life in Steuben, of which town he was one of the early settlers, going there originally from Boston, and engaging in farming and lumbering. He married Nancy Stevens.

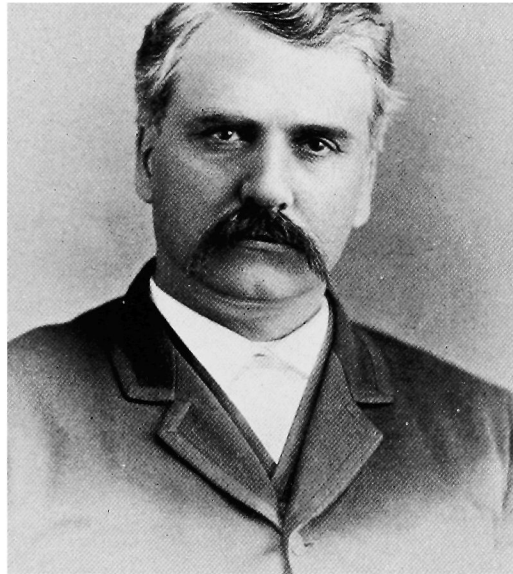
John Shaw, son of William, born in Steuben, May 8, 1820, received such education as was afforded by the common schools, and subsequently learned the ship-carpenter's trade. After spending several years at journey work, he started in business for himself. Since then he has built sixty vessels of from one hundred to a thousand tons' burden, employing a large number of men. In 1892 he retired from active business life. He is a member of Harwood Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons; of Washington Chapter,

St. Elmo Commandery, Delta Lodge of Perfection, and of Deering Council, Royal Princes of Jerusalem. For thirty-five years he has been the treasurer of all the local Masonic bodies without bonds. His wife, Relief, belonged to the Babcocks of Northfield, Me. She is a member of the Congregational church, and he is one of its financial supporters. Of their five children, three grew to maturity; namely, Helen M., Frances E., and Frank L. Frances is now the wife of Fred T. Pope, of Calais, Me.

After passing through the public schools of Machias, Frank L. Shaw began the study of medicine with Dr. Henry H. Smith. Subsequently he went to Jefferson Medical College, from which institution he graduated in 1887. Settling then in Machiasport for the practice of his profession, he remained there for six years. Since then he has been in Machias, where his skill has won wide recognition and a goodly share of the town's patronage. He is a member of Washington County Medical Society. A Mason of Harwood Lodge, No. 91, he belongs to Washington Chapter, St. Elmo Commandery, Delta Lodge of Perfection, and to Deering Council, Royal Princes of Jerusalem. He is also Past Chancellor of Ben Hur Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and member of Machias Lodge, American Order of United Workmen. By his marriage with Sarah E., daughter of Bernard L. Farrell, of Machias, he is the father of two children — John B. and Sarah A. Shaw. In politics he is a Republican, and he has been a member of the School Board for several years.

FRON. SYLVESTER J. WALTON, senior member of the well-known law firm Walton & Walton, of Skowhegan, Somerset County, formerly County Attorney and an ex-member of the Maine House of Representatives and Senate, is a native of Mercer, this county, and a son of Joshua and Mary (Rollins) Walton. His paternal grandfather, also named Joshua, who was a farmer and shoemaker of Readfield, reared several children, and died in Mercer in 1839. The father, born in Readfield, Kennebec County, settled as a pioneer in Mercer about the year 1817, first clearing two acres of ground, and erecting a log house. Afterward he reclaimed a good farm. He died in 1867, at the age of seventy years. His wife, who was a daughter of John Rollins, of Belgrade, Me., died at the same age in 1870. They were the parents of nine children, three of whom are living.

Sylvester J. Walton acquired his early education at the academies in Bloomfield and North Anson, Me. His law studies were pursued under the guidance of A. H. Ware, of North Anson, and his brother, G. R. Walton, of Brooklyn, N.Y. At the same time he taught school. He became a member of the Somerset County bar in 1862, and a year later was admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of the State of New York. He began practice in Brooklyn. A short time later he located in North New Portland, Me., where he remained eight or ten years, and was busily employed in prosecuting pension claims and in general practice. In 1870 he was elected



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County Attorney for Somerset, and subsequently was re-elected. In 1874 he became associated with his nephew, Lyman L. Walton, in the firm of Walton & Walton, who have acquired a wide reputation, both as general practitioners and criminal lawyers. In 1878 Mr. Walton was retained for the defence in the murder case of *State v. Henderson*, in which he obtained a verdict of "murder in the second degree." Defending Walker, of New Portland, against whom a verdict of murder in the second degree was returned at the first trial, he obtained a new trial on exceptions, before the full bench in the upper court, resulting in a sentence of five years in the State prison. He represented the defence in the case of *State v. Micah W. Norton*, ending in a verdict of murder in the first degree, when the murderer was sentenced to the State prison for life. In presenting a case to the jury he has the happy faculty of speaking directly to the point, stating the facts logically and so plainly that all can readily understand. In politics he is a Republican. He represented this town in the Maine legislature for four years, serving in the Committees on Legal Affairs, Labor, State Library, and Claims, and in that on the Judiciary as chairman. He also introduced several important bills, among them being the act abolishing capital punishment, which was passed by a large majority; and he took an active part in the affairs relating to the State Agriculture College at Orono. While a member of the Senate in 1891 and 1893, he was assigned to the Judiciary and other important committees. He was a loyal

friend and firm supporter of the late Hon. Seth Milliken, Congressman from the Third District. When a faction of the party threatened to unseat him and Mr. Milliken, and so break up the strong Congressional delegation for which Maine was noted, Mr. Walton was one of the men who by exerting their entire personal influence maintained Mr. Milliken's supremacy in this section.

In November, 1865, at Lewiston, Me., Mr. Walton was united in marriage with Alma Bancroft Clark, a daughter of General Clark and of Revolutionary ancestry. She is the mother of one daughter, who is attending Lasell Seminary. Mr. Walton was made a Mason at Solon, Me., in 1863. He was one of the incorporators of the Maine Bar Association, and is a member of that body

CAPTAIN JOSHUA B. JOHNSON,*
a retired schoolmaster of Gouldsboro, Hancock County, and a Civil War veteran, was born in East Sullivan, Me., May 15, 1821, son of Stephen and Hannah (Bickford) Johnson. His paternal grandfather, John Johnson, who came from York, Me., to Sullivan, first settling near the present steamboat landing, at a later date exchanged his farm in that place for one in East Sullivan, and resided there for the rest of his life. He attained a good old age. The maiden name of his wife was Young. Stephen Johnson, son of John, was a lifelong resident of East Sullivan. His active years were devoted to farming and lumbering. In connection with the

latter business he conducted saw-mills. Upon the homestead farm, which he inherited, he erected a new house, and the property is still owned in the family. At his death he was eighty-four years old. He married Hannah Bickford, whose children by him were: Betsey, Abigail, Teresa, Sarah, Hannah, Eleanor, Olive, Mahala, Stephen, John, and Joshua B. Of these, ten grew to maturity; and the only survivor is Joshua B., the subject of this sketch.

Having begun his education in the district schools of his native town, Joshua B. Johnson completed his studies at the Charleston Academy. Thereafter he taught schools in Gouldsboro, Sullivan, Franklin, Ellsworth, Millbridge, Harrington, Cherryfield, and the high school in Machias, Me. He retired from the profession in 1884, after having taught in all for one hundred and fourteen terms. In 1862 he enlisted for service in the Civil War, being mustered in as Captain of Company C, Twenty-eighth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, which served under General Banks; and he was honorably discharged at Augusta in the fall of 1863. Some fifty years ago he began the erection of a brick house, moulding the material himself with clay taken from the Johnson homestead. The residence he still occupies is distinguished as being the only brick building upon the street.

Captain Johnson has lost three wives, and is now living with his fourth. He contracted his first marriage with Olive S. Hill, whose only son, Enoch H. Johnson, became a shipmaster at the age of twenty-one, and died of

pneumonia off the coast of Australia. The captain's second wife, Elizabeth Hill Johnson, bore him two children, one of whom died in infancy. The survivor is Andrew C. Johnson, who resides at Young's Hotel, Boston. By the third union, which wedded him to Mrs. Caroline Hill Berry, there were two children: Maria, now a stenographer in Boston; and Lewis, who did not reach maturity. The maiden name of his present wife was Henrietta H. Hall. Captain Johnson has served with ability as a Selectman, Overseer of the Poor, Town Clerk, Supervisor of Schools, and upon the School Committee. In all of these offices he has displayed an earnest desire to forward the best interests of the community. Originally a Democrat in politics, he cast his first Presidential vote for James K. Polk in 1844. Since the breaking out of the Rebellion he has acted with the Republican party. He is a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic and a Past Commander of D. L. Weir Post, No. 89.

HON. GEORGE REYNOLDS GARDNER, attorney-at-law and Judge of Probate for Washington County, Maine, residing in Calais, was born on January 14, 1852, at Dennysville, Me., being the eldest son of A. L. Raymond and Abbie Wilder (Reynolds) Gardner and a descendant of several prominent English and Colonial families.

The Gardner name is on record in Dorsetshire, England, for three centuries prior to

1600. The first of the family in New England was Thomas Gardner, who came over in 1623, and was prominent among the colonists at Cape Ann, holding the office of overseer of the plantation. In 1626 he, with a number of others, removed from the Cape to Naumkeag, soon to be known as Salem. From an interesting account of the "Old Planters of Salem," in volume one, Essex Institute Historical Collections, we learn that "Mr. Thomas Gardner" received a grant of one hundred acres of land at Salem in 1636, that he afterward received other grants, that he was admitted freeman in 1637, and the same year was a member of the General Court. The same paper mentions Thomas Gardner, second ("supposed son of Thomas, the first"), as a freeman in 1641, and says that he married first Margaret Frier and second Damaris Shattuck.

Savage makes the same mention of a son Thomas, and speaks of a son Joseph, who married Ann Downing, and also of Samuel, born about 1629, presumably a son of Thomas, first (possibly son of Thomas, second). After the death of Joseph Gardner his widow became the second wife of Governor Simon Bradstreet.

Samuel Gardner, of Salem, from whom Judge Gardner, of Calais, is descended, served as a Selectman in 1686 and as Representative to the General Court in 1681, 1682, and 1685. He married Mary White, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Herbert) White and a grand-daughter of John Herbert, who was at one time Mayor of Northampton, England.

She died September 16, 1678, and he died in October, 1689. He was survived by only three of his children—Jonathan, Hannah, and Abel, the youngest of the family. Abel Gardner was born September 1, 1673, and died November 10, 1739. He was a merchant. His wife, Sarah Porter, daughter of Israel and Elizabeth (Hathorn) Porter, was born August 24, 1675, and died September 24, 1728. Her father was baptized in Hingham, Mass., February 12, 1643, and died in Salem, Mass., well advanced in years. Her mother was the daughter of Major William Hathorn, an ancestor of Nathaniel Hawthorne. John Porter, father of Israel, came from England to Hingham, Mass., in 1635, removed to Salem a few years later, and died there, September 6, 1676. His wife, Mary, died February 6, 1683.

Thomas Gardner, son of Abel and Sarah (Porter) Gardner, was baptized October 4, 1705, and died before February 26, 1753. On February 13, 1728, he married Eunice Waters. She was born August 18, 1706, a daughter of John Waters, Jr., who was born in 1665. Her grandfather, John Waters, Sr., born November 27, 1640, married March 6, 1663, Sarah Tompkins, born February 1, 1642, daughter of John Tompkins. John Waters, Sr., was a son of Richard Waters, a gunsmith, who emigrated to Salem at an early day, and grandson of James and Phœbe (Manning) Waters. Phœbe Manning was a daughter of George Manning, of Kent County, England, an ancestor of Cardinal Manning. One of George

Manning's ancestors, it is said, married a sister of the poet, Geoffrey Chaucer, she being a daughter of John Chaucer and a granddaughter of Richard Chaucer, who was born about 1275.

Ebenezer Gardner, Sr., the fifth in this ancestral line, son of Thomas and Eunice, born at Salem, Mass., in August, 1735, died November 21, 1832, at Machiasport, Me. His wife, Damaris, was born at Haverhill, Mass., August 2, 1747, a daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Gordon) Merrill. Her father was born September 15, 1704. He sold his share in a pottery business at Roxbury, Mass., and went to Aukpague, Cumberland County, N.S., whence in 1776 he removed to Machiasport, Me. Because of overt acts against the authority of Great Britain his property was confiscated. In 1778 he served in the American army under Captain Stephen Smith and Colonel Benjamin Foster; and in 1779 he was in Lieutenant John Scott's company, in the Sixth Lincoln County Regiment. He was subsequently granted a thousand acres of land for his ardent and laudable attachment to the American cause and for his "merits and sufferings."

Ebenezer Gardner, son of Ebenezer, Sr., and Damaris (Merrill) Gardner, was born January 31, 1776, and died February 5, 1857. He married May 28, 1803, Sarah D., who was born at Scarboro, Me., daughter of William and Ellen (Dillaway) Albee. Her father served for a time in the Revolution as Lieutenant in a company of artillery commanded by Captain John Preble, and later, being as-

signed to Colonel John Allen's regiment, did duty at Machias from May 18, 1777, until May 1, 1781.

A. L. Raymond Gardner, son of Ebenezer and Sarah D. (Albee) Gardner and father of George R., was born at East Machias, Me., January 19, 1822, and until the age of fifteen years worked on the home farm. Going then to Dennysville, he lived for some years with an older brother, and from him learned the blacksmith's trade, at which he continued until 1865. In that year he established himself in the mercantile business by opening a general store, which he conducted successfully in connection with farming and blacksmithing until his death, April 23, 1891. On September 5, 1848, he married Abbie Wilder Reynolds, who was born in Dennysville, February 21, 1830, a daughter of Captain Bela R. Reynolds. Of their six children, five grew to adult life, namely: George Reynolds, of Calais; Edwin Raymond, of Dennysville, born June 11, 1854; Charles Otis, of Eastport, born September 2, 1856; Eva May, of Dennysville, born March 28, 1858; and Frederick Lee, of Dennysville, born April 3, 1862. The first child, Julia Raymond, born May 3, 1850, died February 11, 1851. The father attended the Congregational church, of which his wife was a member. He was himself a life member of the American Missionary Association.

The emigrant ancestor of this branch of the Reynolds family was Robert Reynolds, who is known to have been in Boston in 1632, having come from England with his wife, Mary,

and all of their children. On June 10, 1634, he was admitted to membership in the First Church, and on September 3 he was made a freeman. In 1635 he moved to Watertown, and thence he went to Wethersfield, Conn. He received his dismissal from the First Church on March 29, 1636, in order that he might form a church at Wethersfield. Subsequently returning to Boston, both he and his wife died in that city, his death occurring April 27, 1659, and hers January 13, 1663. In 1645 he owned the lot, nearly opposite the Old South Church on Milk Street, Boston, where in later years stood the building in which Benjamin Franklin was born. This land he willed to his son Nathaniel. According to Drake's History, on April 27, 1691, the town of Boston granted to Josiah Franklin, father of Benjamin, liberty to erect a building on the land belonging to Nathaniel Reynolds, situated near the South Meeting-house.

Nathaniel Reynolds, born in England, was admitted as a freeman in Boston in 1665, and in 1676 was designated as Captain, probably for service in King Philip's War as commander of a company of artillery under Colonel Church. He was Lieutenant in Artillery Company, Suffolk Regiment, Boston, which subsequently became the celebrated Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company. Removing to Bristol, R.I., he "became one of the principal men of that town." He died there July 10, 1708. In November, 1657, he was married by Governor Endicott to Sarah, daughter of John Dwight, of Dedham. She

died July 8, 1663. He afterward married Priscilla, daughter of Peter Brackett.

Nathaniel Reynolds, a descendant of the Nathaniel above named, married Lydia Raymond, and subsequently removed to Nova Scotia, where she, undoubtedly, died. He was a "malignant rebel" against the authority of King George III.; and, returning to New England in 1776, he served in the Revolution, in which he had a most romantic war record. At the close of the struggle he was granted lands by the government in Marietta, Ohio, but instead of taking possession of his grant he removed to the wilderness of Maine, locating in Lubec. He then married again, going to Marblehead, Mass., for that purpose, and on his passage back to Lubec he was knocked overboard and drowned.

Jonathan Reynolds, born at Fort Cumberland, N.S., March 7, 1774, son of Nathaniel, married Persis, daughter of Captain Theophilus Wilder, of Hingham, Mass., and settled in Pembroke, Me., where he died in 1866. His son, Captain Bela R. Reynolds, was born September 15, 1797, and died May 10, 1853. Captain Reynolds married a cousin, Deborah Wilder, daughter of Ebenezer C. and Abigail (Ayer) Wilder and granddaughter of Captain Theophilus Wilder.

The "Book of the Wilders" says that the first Wilder known to history was Nicholas, a military chieftain in the army of the Earl of Richmond at the battle of Bosworth in 1485, and that he received from King Henry VII. in 1497 a landed estate with a coat of arms. John, son of Nicholas, was father of John,

Jr., the third owner of the estate, who married Alice Keats, daughter and heiress of Thomas Keats, Esq. Thomas Wilder, fourth son of John and Alice, is said to have become the owner of the family residence at Shiplake, England. Mrs. Martha Wilder, thought to have been the widow of Thomas, who died in 1634, came to America in 1638 in the ship "Confidence." She had a grant of land that year at Hingham, Mass., for a house lot. Her son Edward had a grant of ten acres at Hingham in October, 1637. (See History of Hingham.)

Edward Wilder married Elizabeth Eames, and died October 18, 1690. Jabez Wilder, son of Edward, born in 1658, married in 1692 Mary Ford. His son Theophilus married in 1732 Mary Hersey; and the line was continued through their son, Captain Theophilus Wilder, who was born May 16, 1740, and married Lydia Cushing. He served with distinction in the Revolution. On September 26, 1776, he was commissioned a Lieutenant in the regiment of Stephen Penniman, and on December 1 of that year was made Captain of a company in the regiment of Colonel Nicholas Dyke. On July 27, 1780, he was assigned to the regiment of Colonel Benjamin Thayer, Jr., and was present at the surrender of Cornwallis, October 19, 1781. He was the father of Ebenezer C. Wilder, named above, great-great-grand-father of George R. Gardner, the subject of this sketch.

Other ancestors of Mr. Gardner were: Thomas Lincoln, who came from England prior to 1675; and Matthew Cushing, born in


England in 1589, who arrived in Boston, August 10, 1638.

George R. Gardner in young manhood, after completing his course of study at the Dennysville High School, spent some years in San Francisco, where he pursued a course of study at Woodbury College, read law, and attended law lectures. Returning to Dennysville and subsequently coming to Calais, he continued the study of law. He was admitted to the bar two years later in 1880, and began the practice of his profession in Calais. In 1881 he formed a partnership with the late Hon. Enoch Blanchard Harvey, who died July 8, 1896, and with him built up a large clientage, the firm being one of the best known in this section of the State. In 1888 Mr. Gardner was elected Judge of the Courts of Probate and Insolvency for Washington County for a term of four years, and he has since been twice re-elected to the same office, in 1892 and 1896.

Through his father, who was one of the first Odd Fellows of Washington County, Mr. Gardner became interested in that order, and united with Fellowship Lodge, No. 97, in which he now holds the office of Chairman of the Board of Trustees. He is very active in the Masonic fraternity, belonging to St. Croix Lodge, No. 46, F. & A. M., of which he is Past Master; to St. Croix Chapter, R. A. M.; to the Hugh de Payens Commandery, K. T., No. 15; and to the Delta Lodge of Perfection, of Machias. He is likewise a member of Calais Lodge, No. 45, K. of P., of which he is Past Vice-Chancellor; vice-

president of the St. Croix Club; and a member of the American Sons of the Revolution. He is one of the directorate of the Jackson and Lakeview Mining Company of California, a director of the Dennysville Lumber Company, and for many years has been a trustee of the Calais Savings Bank. He takes great interest in the cause of education, and, in addition to serving for a number of years on the Board of Education, has been a trustee of Washington Academy and of the Calais Academy.

On January 25, 1888, Mr. Gardner married Miss Annie E., daughter of James and Mary (Parkman) Robbins, of Calais, a near kinswoman of the late Hon. Francis Parkman, the historian. Both Mr. and Mrs. Gardner are members of the First Parish Congregational Church, and for twelve years he has been superintendent' of its Sunday-school.

BED TOWNE,⁺ a thriving farmer of East Dover and station agent for the Bangor & Aroostook Railway, was born in this town, July 8, 1827, son of Eli and Betsey Longley Towne. His paternal grandfather, Thomas Towne, was one of the early settlers of Wilton, N.H. He was a Revolutionary soldier, and fought at the battle of Bennington. The last days of this patriotic ancestor were passed in East Dover, where he died at the age of eighty-four.

Eli Towne, Obed Towne's father, was born in Wilton, August 10, 1774. In early mature life he followed the trade of a blacksmith in

New Hampshire. He is said to have been the first permanent settler in Piscataquis County, having arrived here in 1803. Locating upon a tract of two hundred acres in what is now East Dover, he improved one of the best farms in this locality. He worked at his trade for a time, but eventually devoted his whole time to general farming. He was industrious and successful, making the best use of his opportunities. In his younger days he took an active part in public affairs, and was one of the first Selectmen of the town. In politics he was a Democrat. He was twice married, and of his union with Betsey Scripture, his first wife, were born four children; namely, Alvin, Eli, Betsey, and Ezra, none of whom are living. Betsey Longley, his second wife, was born in Norridgewock, Me., August 29, 1790. Her father, Zachariah Longley, who served as a fifer in the Revolutionary War and was present at the surrender of General Burgoyne, was an early settler of that town. The children of Eli Towne by his second union were: Irene, Opha, Ezra, Achsah, Bertha, Obed, and Leander. Of these the only survivors are: Ezra, who occupies a part of the old homestead; and Obed, the subject of this sketch. Eli Towne died October 21, 1852, and his wife died October 28, 1848. They were members of the Baptist church.

Obed Towne has always resided in East Dover, and since leaving school has been engaged in general farming. He inherited a portion of the homestead property, which he has cultivated with good results, and he has owned other real estate. He was appointed

station agent for the Bangor & Piscataquis Railroad when the line reached Dover; and, when the road passed into the hands of the Bangor & Aroostook County, he was retained in that position. He is connected with the Masonic fraternity and the Patrons of Husbandry, and in politics he acts with the Democratic party.

On April 4, 1849, Mr. Towne was joined in marriage with Lurana Currier, born in Vienna, Kennebec County, Me., July 12, 1824, daughter of Edmund and Catherine Currier. Mrs. Towne is the mother of four children, namely: Viola D., born April 2, 1850; Anna C., born June 5, 1853; Charles E., born April 9, 1857; and Lizzie M., born November 6, 1861. Viola D. married Joseph Smith, and resides at home. Anna C., who also resides at home, is the wife of Charles C. Titcomb, and has two children — Mabel L. and Elmer E. Charles E. married Betsey Moore, and lives in the West. Lizzie M. is the wife of A. C. Getchell, of East Dover, and has one child. Mrs. Obed Towne attends the Methodist Episcopal church.

EDWARD L. HOUGHTON, a prominent hardware merchant of Fort Fairfield, Aroostook County, was born October 12, 1860, in Anson, Somerset County, Me., which was also the birthplace of his father, William Houghton. The Houghton family, having originated in England, was first represented on American soil by two brothers who crossed the ocean in the latter

part of the eighteenth century. One of them settled in Massachusetts, and the other one, the great-grandfather of Edward L., located in Maine. William Houghton was a son of Luke Houghton, a well-known resident of Anson. He remained in Anson for some years after his marriage with Dorcas Cutts, of New Portland, Me., and then removed with his family to Fort Fairfield, which he made his permanent home.

Edward L. Houghton was fitted for college at the Hallowell Classical School; but instead of entering Bowdoin, as had been his original intention, he became clerk in the hardware store of E. K. Cary, a position which he retained for two years. During the subsequent twelve years he was the junior member of the firm of L. K. Cary & Co. Having disposed of his interest in that firm, he opened a real estate and insurance office in the Fessenden Building. Four years later, in April, 1896, he and his brother, George A. Houghton, bought out the hardware establishment of L. K. Cary, and formed the corporation known as the Houghton Hardware Company, of which Edward L. Houghton is president, and George A. Houghton treasurer. This enterprising firm carries on the most extensive business of the kind in this part of the county. Mr. Houghton still continues his real estate business, in which he has been quite successful. He and fourteen others built the section of the town called Syndicate, the site of which was previously a farm. Having laid out the land in streets and lots, they built several houses, of which twenty-two or twenty-three have been

sold. This was a veritable boom to the town, in which for many years it had been almost impossible to buy or rent a house to live in. Mr. Houghton is also a large stockholder of the A. H. Weeks Company, which has eight hundred and seventy-eight acres of land devoted to the raising of potatoes. The other members of the firm are A. H. Weeks, of Boston, and W. H. Poole, of Fort Fairfield, the president and general manager. The New Limestone branch of the Northern Aroostook Railroad runs through the centre of their land, and the station from which their products are shipped is called *Houghton village*. Owning nearly half the stock of the Aroostook Valley Starch Factory, which was begun in 1892 with a capital of nine thousand nine hundred dollars, he is both a director and the clerk of the corporation. The factory has a capacity of sixteen tons a day, and has produced six hundred tons some years. The output for several previous months was held in stock until August, 1897, when it was sold at a good profit. Formerly he owned a similar factory at Mars Hill. Mr. Houghton finds that he has now altogether too much to do in attending to his various interests, and intends to withdraw from the potato business and the insurance agency, and to limit his transactions in real estate to property in the town.

Taking much interest in local affairs, Mr. Houghton is one of the most active members of the Republican party. In 1894 he was elected to the State legislature, and he was re-elected in 1896. During his first term in the House he was a member of the Finance

Committee; and in the second term he was in the Committees on Finance, State College, and Ways and Means. By hard fighting in the first year he secured an appropriation to establish an asylum for the insane at Bangor, but it was defeated in the next term. He was successful, however, in securing the passage of the bill altering the name of the Maine State College to Maine University and giving it an appropriation of twenty thousand dollars for ten years. He is one of the county directors of the Bangor & Aroostook Railway. Prominently connected with several secret societies of this locality, he is a member of the Blue Lodge of Masons, Captain of the Odd Fellows Canton, and a Knight of Pythias. His religious beliefs are those of the Congregationalists. By his marriage with Susie W., daughter of L. K. Cary, his former partner in business, he is the father of two children—Gertie E. and Alfred C.

WILLIAM B. CLEMENT,* one of the stirring business men of Penobscot, Hancock County, was born in this town, March 26, 1851, son of William and Silvia (Leach) Clement. His paternal grandfather, Daniel Clement, a native of York, Me., and a farmer and fisherman, settled in Penobscot at an early date, and cleared from the wilderness a large farm located on the Goshen shore.

William Clement, the father, was born at the homestead. In early life he was a seafaring man. After succeeding to the home farm, he carried it on for many years, and lived to

be eighty-six years old. Silvia Clement, his wife, who was a daughter of John and Abigail Leach, became the mother of two sons — Frank M. and William B. Frank M. Clement, who resides at the homestead, successively married Addie Littlefield and Inez Varnum, and has two daughters — Flora and Rose.

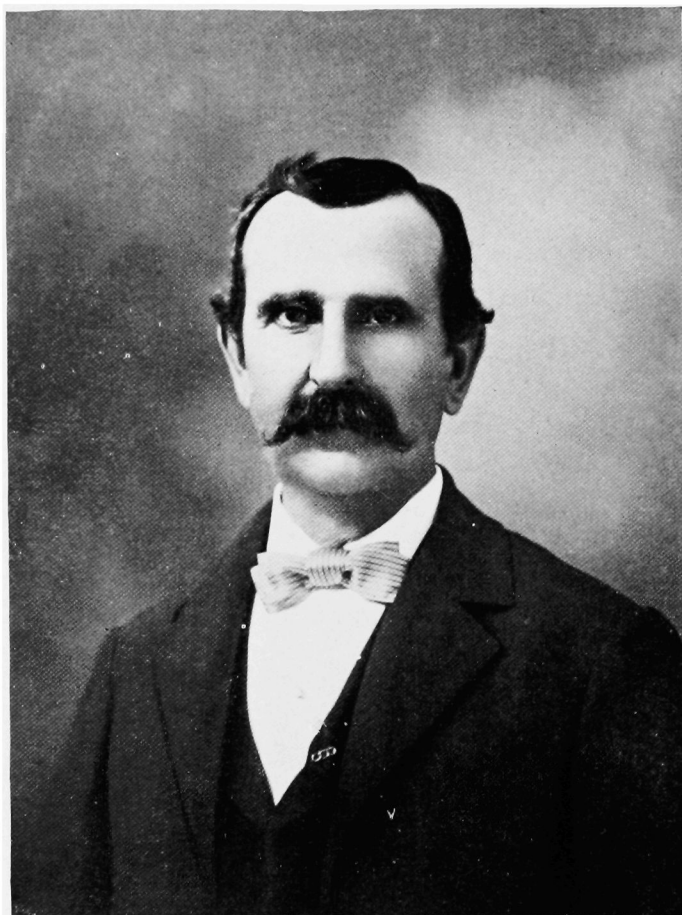
After finishing his studies in the district schools William B. Clement engaged in farming, lumbering, and butchering, and for a number of years has supplied the people of Castine with meat. He married Rose Snowman, who died leaving two children — Addie and Dele. He has supported the Republican party in politics since he cast his first Presidential vote for U. S. Grant in 1872, and he has ably filled several town offices.

JOHAN D. LAWLER,* a prosperous farmer and lumberman of Baileyville, Washington County, and an ex-member of the Maine legislature, was born in Baring, Me., March 6, 1826, son of Richard and Margaret (Stogdille) Lawler. The parents, both natives of Ireland, came to America before their marriage. Richard Lawler, who was born in 1798, settled in Baring, where he worked for William Vance, one of the first settlers, for eight years. In 1827 he located upon wild land in the then new town of Baileyville, occupying a log cabin until circumstances enabled him to erect a frame dwelling. He cleared a good farm, and later enlarged it by the purchase of more land.

His natural ability and sturdy industry sustained him under his pioneer troubles, and he became one of the representative farmers of this town. Having survived his wife some years, he died at the age of eighty-two. He was the father of nine children, two of whom died in infancy. Those who lived to maturity were: John D., James, Thomas, Richard, Julia, William, and Margaret. Of these, the survivors are: John D., the subject of this sketch; and Thomas, who lives in St. Stephen's. Both of the parents were Roman Catholics.

John D. Lawler was educated in the schools of Baileyville and Baring, and resided at home until he was twenty-one. A year later he bought land in Baileyville. The gold fever of 1849 caused him to give up agriculture for the time, and, sailing for California by way of Cape Horn, he arrived there after a perilous voyage of ten months and five days. He remained on the Pacific coast about three years, at the end of which time he returned home. In the fall of 1852 he bought his present farm of four hundred acres, more or less. He has made various improvements in his property, which he devotes to general farming. He has also been lumbering to some extent. His real estate includes, besides his homestead, some valuable land in this and other towns.

In 1852 Mr. Lawler was united in marriage with Sarah Lovering, who was born in Alexander, Me., in January, 1835, daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Brooks) Lovering. Mrs. Lawler has had eleven children, seven of whom are living, namely: John and Richard,



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who live in Princeton, Me.; Andrew and Roscoe, who reside in Baileyville; Joseph, who lives in Arizona; Charles, a resident of Montana; and Frank Lawler, who resides in Calais. The others were: James, Mary, Josie, and Michael Lawler. In politics Mr. Lawler is a Democrat, and he has rendered valuable services to the community in various capacities. He has occupied a seat upon the Board of Selectmen for the greater part of the past thirty-five years, was Town Clerk for eighteen years in succession, has held other town offices, and was a member of the legislature during the years 1865, 1866, 1874, and 1875. In religion he adheres to the Catholic faith.

FRED B. PIERCE, third Selectman of Embden, Somerset County, son of David W. and Olive (Albee) Pierce was born in this town, July 18, 1850. The grandfather, Benjamin Pierce, settled in Embden at an early date, near the farm now occupied by the subject of this sketch, and was there engaged in agriculture up to the time of his death. His wife, in maidenhood Miss Hannah Craigdon, bore him nine children, namely: Edith, on September 20, 1818, now deceased; David W., Fred B. Pierce's father; Simeon C., February 25, 1822, now residing in Alabama; Eleanor, January 22, 1824, deceased; Mary and Sarah (twins), July 19, 1827, both deceased; Benjamin Franklin, July 30, 1829, deceased; Henry Clay, December 26, 1834, deceased; and George W., January 3, 1837, now residing in Baraboo, Wis.

David W. Pierce, born July 5, 1820, in Embden, was reared to farm work, and followed farming throughout his active life. From his native town he moved to Lexington, this county, and from Lexington to Embden, settling on the farm now occupied by his son. Here he died in 1870. His wife, Olive, born in Anson, died in Embden about ten years ago. She gave birth to eight children, namely: George A., August 25, 1848, now a farmer of New Portland; Fred B., the subject of this sketch; Mary Frances, February 18, 1852, now deceased; Clara May, November 2, 1853, now the wife of James Weeks, of Anson; Frank A., January 15, 1855, residing in Anson; Flora E., January 6, 1857, the wife of Llewellyn Berry, of New Portland; Edith M., October 9, 1861, the wife of Foster Elder, of Dover, N.H.; and Emma F., December 21, 1863, the wife of Austin Berry, of Embden.

Fred B. Pierce received a common-school education. About the year 1875 he took charge of the old Pierce homestead, which has since been under his able management. Besides the one hundred acres in the home farm, he owns about one hundred acres of land elsewhere. For over twenty years he has been successfully engaged in general farming, stock-raising, and dairying; and he ranks among the leading farmers of this locality. On July 3, 1875, he was married to Miss Sarah Walker, of Embden, daughter of Samuel A. and Emeline (Rackcliff) Walker. Mr. Walker still resides in Embden. His wife died some time ago. Mrs. Sarah Pierce died

October 15, 1890, leaving one child, Lena E., who was born in 1879, and is now the wife of Raymond Chick, a farmer of Embden. On October 12, 1896, Mr. Pierce was again married to Eva Chick, of Embden, a daughter of Philander and Florentine (Hutchinson) Chick. Mr. Chick is a farmer of Embden. His wife died in 1892. Mr. Pierce, who has always been a loyal Democrat, is now serving his fifth year on the Board of Selectmen, having filled other offices in the past. He is a member of Table Rock Lodge, No. 100, of North Anson, Daughters of Rebecca, of the same town; and belongs to the Skowhegan branch of the New England Order of Protection.

FIFIELD MITCHELL,⁺ a prominent farmer of Canaan, Somerset County, Me., and a veteran of the Civil War, was born in Hartland, Me., August 20, 1838, son of David and Eliza (Jewett) Mitchell. His father was a native of Danville, Me.

At the age of twelve years David Mitchell went to Hartland with a Mr. Nevins, who settled upon a farm at what is known as Brown Corner. He resided with Mr. Nevins until 1837, in which year he bought a farm near the village, where he tilled the soil industriously for the rest of his life. His wife, who was a native of Bloomfield, Me., became the mother of twelve children, six of whom are living, namely: Lucy, who is now the widow of Ira Wheeler, and resides with a daughter in Massachusetts; Francis, a resident of McEwen, Ore.; Fifield, the subject of this

sketch; Ellen, wife of D. Key, a mechanic in Topsham, Me.; Amanda Jane, wife of John Rowell, a farmer in Hartland; and Zilpha, who married Frank Rogers, a machinist and Civil War veteran residing in Melrose, Mass. The others were: James; Jane; Amanda; Eliza; Henry, who died at the age of twelve; and another child who died in infancy. The father, David Mitchell, died in 1874, aged seventy-five years. The mother, Mrs. Eliza Jewett Mitchell, died in 1878.

Fifield Mitchell was educated in the district school, and remained at home until twenty-one. He then went to Portland, and was employed for some time on a farm near the city. On August 16, 1862, he enlisted as a private in Company I, Twenty-fifth Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, under command of Colonel Francis Fessenden, of Portland, and Captain Ezekiel Westcott, of Cape Elizabeth. "The regiment during its term of service participated in no engagement, but it performed faithfully the arduous and responsible duties assigned to it." The Twenty-fifth was mustered out at Portland in July, 1863. Returning to Hartland, Mr. Mitchell remained there until September, 1865, when he settled on a farm in Canaan, and engaged in tilling the soil. In April, 1881, he removed to his present farm, known as the Wheeler place, a splendid piece of agricultural property located near the village, and, having improved it by increasing its fertility and erecting new buildings, is now engaged in general farming, dairying, and stock-raising

On March 12, 1864, Mr. Mitchell married

Martha A. Hopkins, born in Hartland, February 2, 1843, daughter of Richard and Rachel (Pinkham) Hopkins. Her father was born in England, and came to the United States at the age of four years. Her mother was born in West Gardiner, Me. Richard Hopkins grew to manhood as a farmer, and followed that occupation in Hartland and Clinton, spending his last days in the latter place. His wife is no longer living. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell have had three children, namely: Sherman R., born November 30, 1865; Wilbur F., born December 28, 1867; and George E., born November 8, 1869, who died when three weeks old. Sherman R. Mitchell, who is now residing in Pasadena, Cal., married Lillian Bunker, and has one son, Lawson Darrow Mitchell. Wilbur F. Mitchell, who is in the grocery business in Fairfield, married Alta E. Gifford, and has one son, Ray Sherman Mitchell.

In politics Mr. Mitchell acted with the Democratic party until 1882, when he became a Republican. Though not an aspirant for public honors, he has served with ability in some of the town offices. He is connected with Carabassett Lodge, F. & A. M., Canaan; is prominent in Carabassett Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Skowhegan; is a member of Pittsfield Post, Grand Army of the Republic; the Union Veterans' Union, of Pittsfield; and of the Patrons of Husbandry. Mr. Mitchell attends the Union church. His natural capacity and desire for constant activity have enabled him to exercise his mental and physical powers in a manner conducive to health, and he has always

abstained from the use of tobacco and stimulants.

HERBERT L. CLEAVES,⁺ a well-known horseman of Sullivan, Hancock County, was born in Steuben, Washington County, March 11, 1852, son of George G. and Martha M. (Wakefield) Cleaves. The paternal grandfather was Joshua Cleaves, a native of Kennebunkport, who settled in Steuben, where he acquired considerable prominence as a builder of mills, and also hauled and manufactured lumber. At his death he was eighty-six years old. He married Susan Haskell, a daughter of Captain Leonard Haskell, who resided in the vicinity of Steuben.

George G. Cleaves, now in his sixty-eighth year, has followed lumbering and manufacturing for many years in Steuben, his native town. Martha, his wife, who died at the age of thirty-seven years, was a daughter of General Amasa P. Wakefield, who fought in the War of 1812. The General was a spool manufacturer and a Justice of the Peace for many years in Steuben. Mrs. Martha M. Cleaves left a family of five children, namely: Herbert L., the subject of this sketch; George H., who married Mary Vaughn, of Jamaica Plain, Mass., and is residing in Steuben; Melvin P., who also married; Eugene D., who was recently married in Denver, Col.; and Emma, who married M. H. Willey, and died at the age of thirty-seven years.

Herbert L. Cleaves was educated in the district schools of his native town. After com-

pleting his studies he went to Massachusetts, and for some time was in the employ of the Jamaica Pond Ice Company. Returning to Maine in 1870, he settled in Sullivan, where he engaged in the livery business, erecting a fine stable for that purpose. For the past twenty-five years he has been the proprietor of the stage line which carries the United States mails from Ellsworth to Cherryfield, Me. He keeps a good hotel, and conveys passengers to and from the Hancock Ferry. During the mining excitement of some twenty years ago he did a large business in transporting people to the mining localities of West Sullivan and other places. He has bred some excellent trotting horses, and is the owner of Index, one of the best stallions in the State, and of the pacing mare, Jessie Shaw. At the present time he has a number of promising colts sired by Index.

Mr. Cleaves married Sarah M. Jourdan, daughter of Enos and Elizabeth (Warren) Jourdan, of Ellsworth. Politically, he is a Democrat; and his first Presidential vote was cast for Samuel J. Tilden in 1876. He belongs to the Knights of Pythias.

STEPHEN C. MILLS,* a retired railroad contractor, who now owns and occupies a fine farm of one hundred and fifty acres in Stark, Somerset County, was born July 28, 1833, in Belgrade, Kennebec County. His parents, Hiram and Susan (Abbott) Mills, were also natives of Belgrade. The father, a blacksmith by trade,

died in his native town in 1864. The mother passed away in 1889 at a venerable age. They were the parents of twelve children, of whom but two are now living, namely: Stephen C., the second-born; and Mary, the fourth. The latter is the wife of Nathaniel Towne, a millman, living in Belgrade. The others were: Amelia, Hiram, Melvin, Alonzo, John, Alonzo (second), Melvin (second), and three that died in infancy.

Stephen C. Mills lived beneath the parental roof-tree until sixteen years old, obtaining his early education in the district schools. Going then to Augusta, he served an apprenticeship of four years to the blacksmith's trade, at which he subsequently worked for six years in the village of Norridgewock. In September, 1861, he enlisted for twelve months under Captain Dyer in Company K, of the Twenty-eighth Maine Volunteer Infantry, commanded by Colonel Woodman. While serving in the Civil War he participated in several engagements. On his return to Norridgewock he contracted to build the six miles of the Somerset Railway between Waterville and Norridgewock. Later at different times he took contracts for extending the road, first for twelve miles to Anson, then for eight miles to Solon, and thence for another eight miles to Brighton. Afterward he built the forty-four miles of the Ware River Railroad, between Winchester and Palmer; forty-four miles of the Cayuga Lake Railroad in New York; seventeen miles of the Boston & Lowell road; and the Mystic valley line between Boston and Woburn. In

1877 Mr. Mills bought a large farm in Stark, the Kidder estate, containing three hundred acres of land, and afterward for sixteen years managed it successfully. In 1894 he purchased his present farm of one hundred and fifty acres, which he devotes to general agriculture, being as prosperous in his later undertakings as he was in his earlier years. He has dealt in fine cattle, and has had a large dairy business.

Mr. Mills was married May 29, 1853, to Miss Elizabeth Baston, a daughter of Joseph and Lucinda (Heald) Baston and a descendant of one of the earlier families of that place. She was born December 20, 1835, in Norridgewock, Me. Her father was a well-known farmer and stone-cutter of that town, where both he and his wife spent their entire lives. Mr. and Mrs. Mills became the parents of seven children: William H., a farmer in Norridgewock, who married Jane Miller, of that town; Leland, Gertrude, and Susie, deceased; Mae, who is the wife of Frederick Mosier, and lives on the home farm with her husband and parents; a child that died in infancy; and Joseph, who is also deceased. Mr. Mills is a Mason of Lebanon Lodge, No. 116, of Norridgewock. In politics he affiliates with the Republican party.

GEORGE G. DOWNING, of Dover, Piscataquis County, a dealer in draperies, interior decorations, and undertaking supplies, and a veteran of the Civil War, son of John and Alice (Wormwood) Downing,

was born in Kennebunk, York County, October 30, 1836. The family is of English origin. Its immigrant ancestor was one of three brothers who came to the country in 1677 or 1678. Two of these brothers settled in New Hampshire; and the third, from whom George G. Downing is descended, settled at Cape Porpoise. Benjamin Downing, the grandfather of George G., was a ship-carpenter in Kennebunkport, where he died at a good old age.

John Downing, George G. Downing's father, was born in Kennebunk in 1797. He became a ship-builder, and followed that business in his native town until his death, which occurred in 1870. His wife, Alice Downing, who was also a native of Kennebunk, became the mother of six children, three of whom are living, namely: Mrs. Cynthia W. Fogg, who resides in California; Mrs. Mary G. Blethen, of Nevada; and George G., the subject of this sketch. The others were: Philenda, Martha, and Charles. Mrs. Alice Downing died in 1840, aged forty-one years.

George G. Downing was bereft of a mother's care when four years old. His education was acquired in the common schools of Kennebunk. At the age of fourteen he began to serve an apprenticeship at the carpenter's trade, and afterward followed it as a journeyman until 1861. In this year he enlisted for the Civil War in Bangor, as a private in the second Maine Regiment. After serving for nearly two years in the war he received his discharge on August 11, 1863. In 1864 he came to Dover, where he found employment

as a cabinet-maker. Two years after he engaged in the furniture business. This he followed successfully until 1878, when his store and its contents were totally destroyed by fire, leaving him heavily in debt. However, he immediately rebuilt; and, starting again with renewed energy, he recovered his lost ground in a comparatively short time. In 1885 he withdrew from the furniture business in order to devote his entire attention to his present one. Since then, it is claimed, he has had the largest stock of draperies, interior decorations, and undertaking supplies in Piscataquis County.

On June 27, 1867, Mr. Downing was united in marriage with Celia M. Butters, of Exeter, Me. Mrs. Downing has had one son, Charles H., who, born April 23, 1868, died at the age of six years. She and her husband have since adopted Marshall B., son of Wilbur F. and Addie S. (Butters) Buckland, who was born March 4, 1876.

Mr. Downing is a Republican. He has served as a member of the Board of Selectmen for two years and as Town Clerk for the same length of time. His connection with secret societies comprises membership in the Masonic fraternity, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Knights of Pythias. He is Past Commander of C. S. Douty Post, No. 23, G. A. R., has served upon the staff of the commander-in-chief, and was a delegate to the National Encampment at Buffalo in 1897. At that encampment he was presented with a valuable medal; and he has several other medals, souvenirs of the encampments

held in the preceding ten years. In 1898 he was Inspector of the Department of Maine, G. A. R. Mr. Downing attends the Universalist church, and is one of the trustees of the Dover Society.

JOHN S. WILLIAMS,⁴ a successful lawyer of Guilford, Piscataquis County, Maine, was born in the neighboring town of Monson, July 24, 1862, son of Norman S. and Martha A. (Haynes) Williams. Josiah P. Haynes, the maternal grandfather of Mr. Williams, settled in Monson in 1837, and for a number of years carried on the saw-mills of that place. Later he devoted himself to farming until the time of his death.

Norman S. Williams, the father of the subject of this sketch, was born in Grafton, N.H., in 1823. He went to Monson in 1840, and there engaged in farming throughout his life. He was a Republican in politics ever after the organization of that party. His wife was born in Grafton in January, 1825. Since her widowhood she has resided in Guilford with her son John. Their children were six in number: Charles, Flora J., and Sarah L., who are all deceased; Frank B., a foundryman of Worcester, Mass.; Fannie P., wife of Charles W. Johnson, a foundryman of Lowell; and John S., of Guilford.

John S. Williams spent his youth upon the farm owned and carried on by his grandfather Haynes. He obtained his early education in the town schools and at the Monson Academy, where he was a student for two or three years.

He was then employed successively in the Dexter Woollen Mills and in those at Sangerville, and later he worked in the newly established mills at Guilford. By saving his earnings during these years of manual labor he was able in 1884 to enter the University of Maine, where he was graduated with the class of 1887. He taught school during the vacations which intervened, but, leaving the university, he at once began to read law with Mr. Henry Hudson, of Guilford; and it was during this year of 1887 that he was elected to the position, which he still holds, of superintendent of schools in Guilford. He soon entered the Boston University Law School, and, graduating in 1890, was admitted to the Piscataquis County bar in the same year. The year 1890-91 was spent in teaching school. The following year he became associated with Mr. Hudson in the practice of law, the partnership continuing until 1895. Since that time Mr. Williams has practised independently with much success.

He is a Democrat, and since 1893 has held office under the United States government as Internal Revenue Collector for the Eastern Division of Maine. During the current year he was elected a member of the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Williams is unmarried. He is liberal in his religious views and is an attendant of the Universalist church. He is a member of the Masonic lodge at Guilford, Dover Chapter, R. A. M., and the K. T. of Bangor, and is also connected with the Piscataquis County Law Association. Mr. Williams's early struggles and unaided efforts have

been well rewarded, and he now has a large and remunerative practice in the town.

ISAAC PERRY GRINDLE,* a prosperous farmer of Blue Hill, Hancock County, was born in Penobscot, Me., September 21, 1810, son of James and Mary (Harriman) Grindle. His paternal grandfather was William Grindle, or Greenlough, who, with his two brothers, was pressed into the English navy and brought to America to fight the Revolutionists. This action so incensed them against the British government that they fired over the heads of the Americans at an engagement near Bunker Hill; and, when the opportunity offered itself, they deserted, and took to the woods. Afterward they enlisted in the Continental army, changing their name to Grindle in order to escape recognition by the enemy. It is related of William that, while in the English navy, being at the time employed in building a wharf at Castine, he knocked a British officer overboard. For this offence he was tried by a court martial and sentenced to be shot. The sentence so aroused his indignation that he now knocked down one of the officers of the court. Instead of making a bad matter worse, this act seems to have gained the admiration of the commanding officer, who spared his life, and ordered his release. He settled at Penobscot some time after the declaration of peace, and lived to be ninety-seven years old. Two of his sons served in the War of 1812.

James Grindle, father of Isaac P., was born

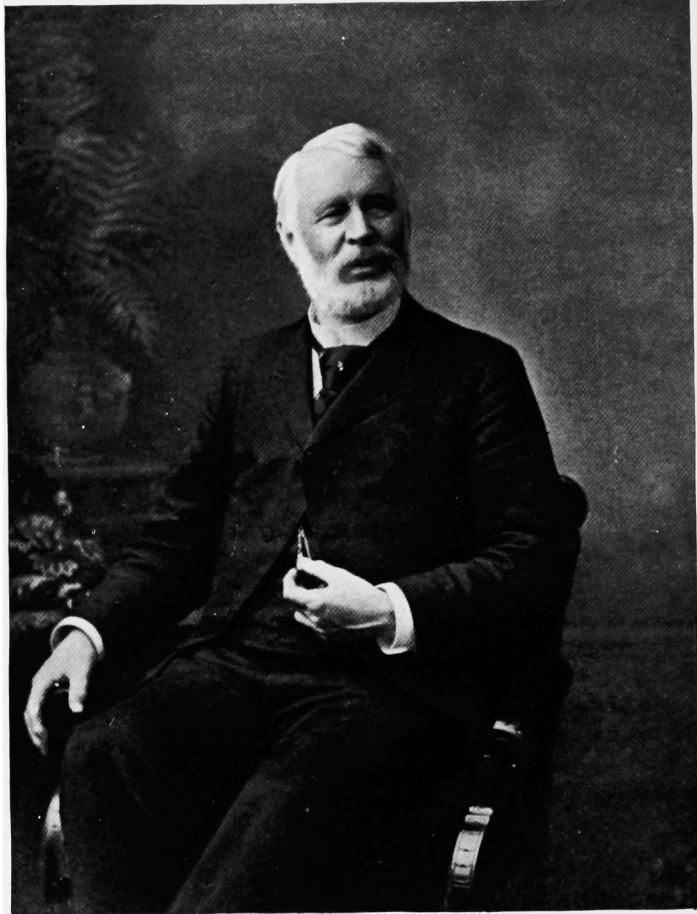
in Penobscot. During the War of 1812 he served in the garrison at Castine. Later he cleared new land in the town of Orland, where he was known as an able farmer and a famous bear hunter. He lived to be eighty-five years old. During his last years he received a pension from the government. Mary Harriman Grindle, his wife, became the mother of ten children, five of whom are living, namely: Betsey, aged ninety years; Isaac P., the subject of this sketch, aged eighty-seven; Jane, aged seventy-five; Joseph, aged sixty-seven; and William, aged sixty-two years.

Isaac Perry Grindle attended school in Orland when the opportunity permitted. Since his youth he has been engaged in farming. In 1836 he came to Blue Hill, and, clearing a farm in the south-eastern part of the town, tilled the soil, built roads, and did considerable in the way of trade. He later moved to his present farm, and has long been regarded as one of the most successful agriculturists in town. About the time of his settlement here Mr. Grindle contracted his first marriage with Eliza Ann Osgood, a representative of a reputable family in this section. Of their eight children, three died in infancy and two are living. The latter are: Pearl and Mary E. Pearl, who resides in Blue Hill, married Caroline Stover, and has a large family; and Mary E. married Henry Hopkins, and lives in Orland. Mr. Grindle's second marriage united him with Lydia L. Leighton, who became the mother of two children — Freeman S. and Eliza Ann. Freeman S., who resides at the homestead, married Mary Gerrish, and

has three children; and Eliza Ann, who married Tyler Hinckley, of Blue Hill, also has three children. Mr. Grindle was recently called upon to mourn the loss of his second wife, and has had the sympathy of the entire community in his bereavement. His first Presidential vote was cast for Andrew Jackson in 1832. The Know Nothing party was the only secret organization that he ever joined. He has invariably voted the Democratic ticket. In religious belief he is a Universalist.

GEORGE ALBERT MURCHIE, of Calais, Washington County, was born in St. Stephen, N.B., September 16, 1849, son of James and Mary A. (Grimmer) Murchie. After passing through the public schools he completed his education with a business course at Bryant & Stratton's Commercial College in Boston. Then he entered his father's employ as a surveyor of lumber. Later he took charge of some of his father's mills, superintending the cutting and driving of logs in the winter and spring. This was done in compliance with his father's wish that his sons should become familiar with every detail of the business. Since 1884 he has been a member of the firm James Murchie & Sons, Calais, Me. The other members, besides his father, are his brothers — John G., William A., James S., and Henry S. Murchie.

Mr. Murchie has long been a citizen of Calais. Occupying an honorable and influential position, he has always taken an active part in all that concerns the welfare of the



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city. He was elected a member of the Board of Aldermen in 1889, 1890, and 1891; and in 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, and 1896 he was elected Mayor. During his Mayoralty, taking advantage of the city's position on the St. Croix River, the sewer system was much improved. Also many of the old clumsy wooden sidewalks were replaced with asphalt. For over half a century the only connection between Calais and the town of St. Stephen was an unsightly wooden toll bridge. As the toll was practically a direct tax on the residents of both places, many strenuous efforts were made to get rid of it without success. In 1893 an arrangement was made by the provincial government of New Brunswick and the city of Calais to build a new bridge that should be free to all persons. The duty of carrying out the project was intrusted to the Hon. James Mitchell, then Provincial Secretary for New Brunswick, and Mayor Murchie, to both of whom the credit of the plan is due. After they bought out the owners of the toll bridge, they had a handsome steel bridge erected, greatly facilitating communication between the State and the Province.

In politics Mr. Murchie is a Republican, and he has served upon the Republican State and County Committees. In 1896 he was a Representative to the State legislature, in which he was assigned to the Committees on Railroads and the Eastern Maine Hospital. In 1880 he married Cora, daughter of Daniel Harmon, of Milltown, N.B. Of his three children, Helen W. and Harold Hale are living. A Past Master of Victoria Lodge, F &

A. M., he is a member of the chapter; of St. Croix Council, Royal and Select Masters; of Hugh de Payens Commandery, Knights Templar, of Calais; and of Delta Lodge of Perfection, of Machias. He is also connected with the lodge of Knights of Pythias, and he attends religious services at the Universalist church.

HON. CHARLES EDWARD SWAN, A.M., M.D., Mayor of Calais, Washington County, and for the past fifty years a prominent physician, was born in Winslow, Me., September 5, 1822. A son of Francis and Hannah (Child) Swan, he is of the seventh generation descended from Henry Swan, who is known to have been in Salem in 1639 and to have received a grant of half an acre of land on the eleventh day of February in that year. It is further recorded that this ancestor was admitted to the church on May 19, 1639, and that three days later he was made a freeman of the colony. He married Joanna, daughter of Thomas Ruck, who removed from Boston about that time, and opened an inn called the "Swan." The next in direct line, Thomas Swan, son of Henry, baptized on February 26, 1643, followed the profession of surgeon, and died on February 8, 1687. He married Mary Lamb, daughter of Thomas and Dorothy Lamb, of Roxbury, who received the sacrament of baptism from Missionary Eliot on September 2, 1644. His son Thomas, born on February 16, 1669, married on December 2, 1692, Prudence, daughter of Major Jonathan

Wade, of Medford. She was baptized on April 6, 1669. Her mother, Deborah, was a daughter of Governor Thomas Dudley. Ebenezer Swan, son of the second Thomas, and great-great-grandfather of the Doctor, was born on May 12, 1686. On December 23, 1706, he married Prudence, daughter of Timothy Foster, of Dorchester. Born on December 3, 1684, she died July 10, 1765. William Swan, son of Ebenezer and great-grandfather of Dr. Swan, was baptized on August 14, 1715. On December 27, 1742, the banns were published for his marriage with Lavinia, daughter of Gershom Keyes, a merchant of Boston.

The Doctor's grandfather, William Swan, Jr., born in Boston, March 18, 1746, was for several years a merchant in Groton. In 1794 he removed to Otisfield, Me. From Otisfield he removed to Gardiner and subsequently to Winslow, where he died on June 24, 1835. During the Revolution he was an officer in the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment. His commission, dated October 19, 1778, is signed by fifteen members, "a majority part of the Council of the State of Massachusetts Bay." On December 2, 1789, he was appointed Justice of the Peace, with authority to act as a Trial Justice. His commission for this office, which was one of much more distinction than it is to-day, bears the signatures of John Hancock, Governor, and Samuel Adams, Lieutenant Governor. A gentleman of the old school, genial and dignified, he had the respect and confidence of all who knew him. On April 18, 1776, he married Mercy

Porter, who, born on August 14, 1755, died in September, 1815.

Francis Swan, above named, born in Groton, Mass., June 26, 1785, died in June, 1862. He was educated in the common schools. In 1807 his business life began in Gardiner, Me., associated with his brother, Edward. Two years later he removed to Winslow, where he engaged in business for himself. He continued to reside in that town until 1834, when he removed to Calais, which was subsequently his home until his death. On November 12, 1814, he was united in marriage with Hannah Child, a daughter of James and Hannah (Cushing) Child. Born in Augusta, March 2, 1795, she died in Calais, May 20, 1869. Their children were born as follows: Sarah Porter, February 5, 1816; James, August 8, 1817; William Henry, January 13, 1819; Francis Keyes, October 20, 1820; Charles Edward, the subject of this sketch; and Eugene, July 23, 1824. The first named of these, Sarah P., married Richard Henry Manning, of Brooklyn, N.Y., and died in Santa Cruz, West Indies, whither she had gone for her health. James, who died on October 15, 1853, married Helen Trask, of Portland. William Henry, a successful and wealthy New York merchant, died at Poland Springs on July 5, 1890. Francis Keyes on September 16, 1843, married Emily Bradbury, a daughter of Jeremiah and Mary Langdon (Storer) Bradbury. In early life he was a student at Waterville College. From 1861 to 1866 he was Bank Commissioner for the State of Maine. He died in June, 1896.

Both of the parents were members of the Congregational church.

Having attended the public schools of his native town for the usual period, Charles Edward Swan was fitted for college at Washington Academy in East Machias, under Dr. Samuel Harris, the late divinity professor at Yale University. Then he entered Bowdoin College, duly graduating from that institution with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1844. He subsequently received the Master's degree from the same college. Beginning the study of medicine with Dr. Job Holmes, of Calais, he completed his course in the medical school at Brunswick, from which he graduated in 1847. He spent the following summer in the hospitals of New York City, and in September of that year settled for the practice of his profession in Calais, where he has since remained. Dr. Swan has now been actively engaged here as a medical practitioner for more than half a century, and is probably the oldest physician in the State in point of service. He is a member of both the American Academy of Medicine and the Council of Physicians and Surgeons of New Brunswick. Besides having the fullest confidence of his patients, he is much respected by his fellow-physicians throughout this section. Taking an active interest in all matters of public importance, he has been prominently identified with many movements designed to promote the welfare of the city. He has been the president of the Board of Pension Examiners at Calais since its creation. He is also the president of the Board of Trustees of Calais

Academy. From 1872 to 1874 he was an overseer of Bowdoin College and from 1874 to 1875 a trustee of that institution. The stress of other business obliged him to resign his official connection with the college.

An active Republican worker for a long period, Dr. Swan has served for a number of years as chairman of the local Republican committee. In his position as a party leader in this section of the State, he has met and become well acquainted with the noted men of Maine, including the late James G. Blaine, Speaker Reed, and Congressmen Frye and Boutelle. In March, 1897, having previously served on the School Committee and as president of the City Council, he received the nomination for Mayor from both the Republican and Democratic parties, and as a matter of course was subsequently elected. This was a remarkable proof of the esteem in which he is held by all classes of his fellow-citizens. In 1849 he was first married to Mary D. Downes, a daughter of the Hon. George Downes, of this city, and who died on July 9, 1851. A second marriage on September 8, 1890, united the Doctor with Mrs. M. H. Horton, a daughter of Gilman D. King, of Calais.

JOHAN F. FURBISH,¹ of Princeton, Washington County, who, besides dealing in groceries and general merchandise, carries on the manufacture of ash hoops and Indian baskets under the firm name of I. M. Furbish, was born January 9, 1837, son of I. M. and Eliza (Morrill) Furbish.

The father, a native of Lebanon, Me., born in 1812, was one of the most wide-awake men in this locality. He established the business now carried on by his son John, beginning as early as 1827, in Augusta, Me., the Princeton branch not being started until 1866. His specialty was the manufacture of cooperage stock. Since then the business has been extended so as to include a good trade in lumber, besides groceries, foreign and domestic fruits, dry and fancy goods, boots, shoes, and rubbers. The elder Furbish also dealt in real estate. His residence was in Augusta, where he died in 1884, widely known and respected. His wife, Eliza, a daughter of Squire Stephen A. Morrill, having survived her husband nine years, died in Augusta in 1893. They were the parents of seven children, of whom five are now living, namely: William H., who resides in Lewiston, Me.; Zachariah T., a resident of Philadelphia, Pa.; Augustus, who is now deceased; John F., the subject of this sketch; Lizzie Boice, residing in Augusta; Emily, now deceased; and Emily, second, likewise residing in Augusta.

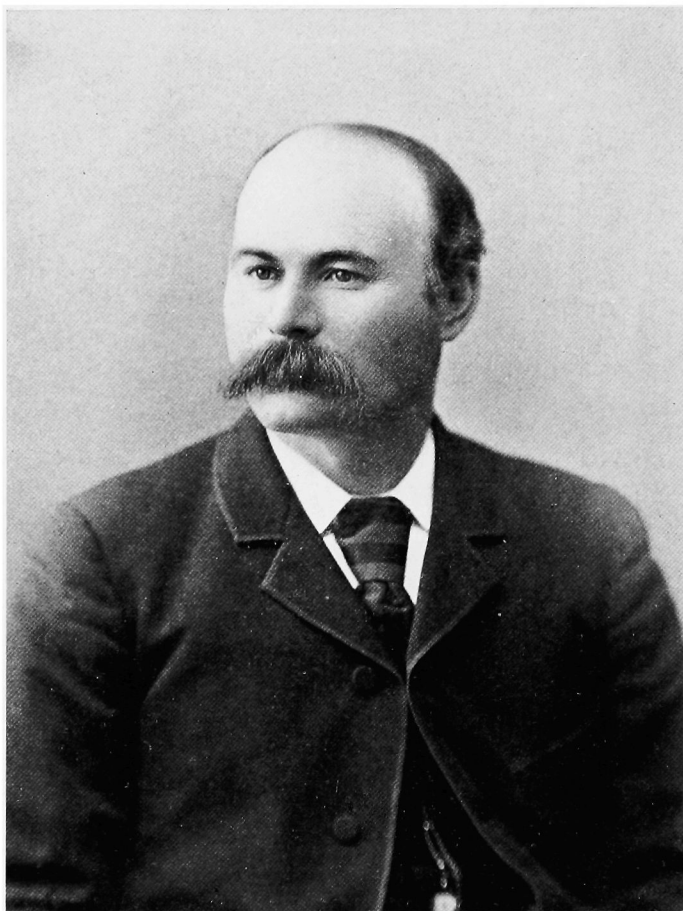
Having been educated in the common schools of Augusta, Me., John F. Furbish learned the cooper's trade. He came to Princeton in November, 1865, to take charge of the shop established here by his father in the previous year, and he has since remained a resident and prominent business man of this town. Besides his cooperage shop he carries on two stores, where he deals in groceries and general merchandise. In good times he has given employment to as many as one hundred

and fifty men. A hard worker all his life, his industry has brought him abundant reward, and he is now one of the most prosperous and substantial men of the town.

In 1866 Mr. Furbish married Elizabeth, daughter of John Lamar, of Calais, Me. He has two children: Isaiah Franklin, who is associated with his father in the business; and Minnehaha, who resides at home with her parents. Both he and Mrs. Furbish are liberal in their religious views. In politics Mr. Furbish is a Democrat.

LOUIS PROSPER LA FLECHE, M.D.,* a skilful physician and surgeon of Caribou, Aroostook County, was born in Three Rivers, P. Q., February 2, 1865, son of Desire and Hannah (Lamy) La Fleche. His parents, who are natives of Three Rivers and reside upon a farm in that town, have reared three children, namely: Oliver La Fleche, the Chief Engineer of the Montreal Fire Department; Francis X. La Fleche, M.D., a prominent physician in the Province of Quebec, where he has practised for the past seventeen years; and the subject of this sketch.

Louis Prosper La Fleche began his education in the primary and commercial schools of his native town. Subsequently he attended the seminary, completed the course at Bishop College, and matriculated at the Physicians' and Surgeons University, from which he duly received his degree. After practising in Three Rivers for about six months, he located



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in Presque Isle, Me., where he was for four years associated in practice with his brother-in-law. While there he was elected president of the Northern Medical and Surgical Society. In August, 1897, he came to Caribou, where he immediately met with sufficient encouragement to insure his permanent residence. However, still retaining his practice in Presque Isle, he divides his time between the two places.

In 1884 Dr. La Fleche married Mathilde Marchand, a native of Canada. Mrs. La Fleche is the mother of six children; namely, Ronald, Blanche, Cecile, Juliette, Joseph, and Bernandette. Politically, the Doctor is independent. He is a member of various societies, medical, fraternal, etc.; and he renders able assistance to the choir of the Roman Catholic church.

EBEN A. HOLMES, an enterprising sardine packer, of Eastport, Washington County, was born in Charlotte County, New Brunswick, August 11, 1843, son of Thomas and Mary E. (Randall) Holmes. The paternal grandfather, John Holmes, who was a native of Ireland and one of the early settlers in Machias, went from that town to New Brunswick, where his son Thomas was born. The latter was in early life a fisherman. Later he engaged in a mercantile business, which he followed successfully in Charlotte County for the rest of his active period. He was one of the stirring business men of that locality. At his death he was eighty-

three years old. Mary E. Holmes, his wife, who was a native of Nova Scotia, became the mother of eleven children; namely, Lewis N. and Deborah, who are no longer living; William; John R.; Thomas L.; Eben A.; Lydia; Joanna; Morris C.; George W.; and Frederick A. Holmes. The mother died at the age of seventy-nine years. Both parents attended the Baptist church.

Eben A. Holmes was reared and educated in Charlotte County, where he began industrial life as a fisherman. At the age of seventeen he came to Eastport, where his brother was located, and engaged in coasting, making his home here when on shore. When twenty years old he paid his father a sum of money for the remainder of his minority. Before he relinquished the coasting trade he had acquired an interest in several vessels. In 1879 he settled permanently in Eastport, and in the following year engaged in the sardine packing industry, his first year's output amounting to five thousand cases. He is now packing annually about forty-five thousand cases at his Eastport factory; has a factory in Perry, Me., which turns out an average of fifteen thousand cases; and also owns a lobster packing establishment at Campo Bello. At the present time he is one of the leading business men of Eastport, employing a large number of men. He pays the second largest individual tax bill issued in the city.

On November 20, 1868, Mr. Holmes was joined in marriage with Emma O. Adams, who was born in St. Andrews, N.B., daughter of Captain Thomas Adams. Mrs. Holmes is

the mother of six children; namely, Herbert C., Alice M., Arthur L., Eva H., Bessie L., and John R. Holmes. In politics Mr. Holmes is independent. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, and is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, the Improved Order of Red Men, and the Independent Order of Foresters. His religious opinions are liberal. Mrs. Holmes attends the Baptist church.

DANIEL S. WITHAM,⁺ a successful farmer of Smithfield township, Somerset County, Me., was born March 29, 1845, on a farm not far distant from his present home. His paternal grandfather, James Witham, emigrated from England when a young man, and settled in Smithfield, Me.

William F. Witham, father of Daniel S., was a lifelong resident of Smithfield and a worthy member of the farming community. His death occurred in 1877. His wife, whose maiden name was Elvira C. Stanley, was also born in Smithfield. She is now living on the old home farm, a capable and active woman of seventy-five years. Of the twelve children of the parental household, six have passed to the life beyond, their names being Charlie, Ellen, Lucinda, Rebecca, Abbie, and James. The survivors are: Daniel S., the first-born; Frank, a farmer, residing in Smithfield; Frederick, a farmer in Norridgewock; Katie, who married R. G. Libby, a motorman on the electric cars in Bangor, Me.; and Sanford and

Alfred, twins, the former a resident of Oakland, Me., and the latter living with his mother on the old homestead. Alfred married Miss Susie Cole, of Smithfield.

Daniel S. Witham lived at home until after reaching man's estate, receiving his education in the common schools. In June, 1867, he married Miss Emma Cleaves, the only daughter of Mrs. Marcia Leonard Cleaves, widow of Jeremiah Cleaves. He took charge of the Cleaves farm until the death of his wife, June 22, 1875. Mr. Witham then removed to Weld, Me., where he engaged in tilling the soil fifteen years. The ensuing five years he was employed in the same occupation in Mercer township. In 1894 he came to Smithfield township, and, buying the one hundred acres of land included in the old Sawyer farm, has since conducted a substantial business as a general farmer, stock-raiser, and dairyman.

He has always been a Democrat in his political tendencies, but has not been very active in public life, having held but few township offices. Fraternally he is a member of the Norridgewock Grange and of the Order of the Golden Cross at Smithfield village.

Mr. Witham has been married three times. The death of his first wife is mentioned above. His second wife was Mrs. Emma Perkins Newman, a daughter of James Perkins, of Smithfield, and widow of the late Elliott Newman. She died April 5, 1882, leaving no children. Mr. Witham afterward married Miss Flavilla Payne, of Jay Bridge, Me., a daughter of George Payne. The only

children of Mr. Witham, three in number, were born of this union. They are: Wallace, born October 16, 1885; Katie, born December 19, 1888; and Willie, born July 5, 1891.

CHARLES HOXIE,* a prosperous farmer and prominent town official of Orneville, Piscataquis County, Me., his native place, was born on February 20, 1827, son of Abner and Lydia (Rogers) Hoxie. His father was born in Sidney, Me., May 5, 1801; and his mother was a native of Vassalboro, Me., born August 22, 1798.

Isaac Hoxie, father of Abner, was an early settler in Sidney, where he resided the rest of his life. He was an industrious tiller of the soil, and was also a good mechanic. Thomas Rogers, Charles Hoxie's maternal grandfather, was among the early settlers of Vassalboro. He then followed the trade of a blacksmith during his active years, his last days being passed at the home of his son-in-law, Abner Hoxie, in Orneville. He died at the age of seventy-one; but his wife, whose maiden name was Mary Beetle, lived to be ninety years old.

Abner Hoxie, Charles Hoxie's father, penetrated the pathless woods of Piscataquis County by means of marked trees in search of a suitable place to establish a home, and settled in Orneville about the year 1825. He owned one hundred and fifty acres of land, and he engaged diligently in its clearing and cultivation. He also worked at the blacksmith's trade. In 1852 he went to California, where he was engaged in mining for two years. His

death occurred in Orneville, May 8, 1854, just four days after his return from the Pacific coast. He was the father of four children, two of whom are living, namely: Charles, the subject of this sketch; and George R., a resident of Sebec, Me. The others were: Mary, wife of A. L. French; and Sarah J., wife of Alvin Sprague. The mother died in Orneville, March 12, 1877.

Charles Hoxie was educated in the district schools, and since the age of twenty-one has resided upon a part of the original homestead property given him by his father. Besides farming he works at house carpentering and blacksmithing, making a specialty of shoeing oxen. His farm, which consists of sixty-five acres, is well improved and capable of producing excellent crops; and he also owns some outlying land.

On May 28, 1848, Mr. Hoxie was joined in marriage with Abigail Cilley, who was born in New Hampshire, September 10, 1828, daughter of Jonathan and Mehitabel (Hilliard) Cilley. Mrs. Hoxie's parents after her birth moved from New Hampshire to Atkinson, Me., and later to Orneville, where they spent the rest of their days. Jonathan Cilley was born February 24, 1801, and lived to be eighty years old. His wife, who was born August 17, 1803, died at about the age of sixty-two. Mr. and Mrs. Hoxie have two children: Fred A., born May 13, 1850; and Daniel Frank, born December 10, 1852. Fred A. Hoxie is a farmer and blacksmith of this town. He married Myra Drinkwater, and has seven children. Daniel F. Hoxie, who carries

on farming, works in the mills, and follows the carpenter's trade in Orneville, married Lucy Richardson, and has three children.

In politics Mr. Hoxie is a Democrat of the Jeffersonian type, and has never missed an election since his majority. He has been chairman of the Board of Selectmen a greater part of the time for the last twenty-three years, Town Clerk and Treasurer four years, and Postmaster for ten years. He and Mrs. Hoxie have been members of the Christian church for forty years. They have a wide circle of friends and acquaintances, and are highly esteemed.

ALFRED C. OSGOOD,* of Blue Hill, Hancock County, a Deputy Sheriff and a Civil War veteran, son of Leonard and Nancy (Dority) Osgood, was born in this town, January 11, 1845. (A more detailed account of Mr. Osgood's ancestors will be found in the biography of Augustus Osgood.) The father, a son of Phineas Osgood and a native of Blue Hill, learned the stone-mason's trade, and afterward followed it, building many cellar walls, until failing health compelled him to relinquish active labor. He was also engaged in farming. Taking an active part in town affairs, he served the community in various public capacities, and rendered much valuable aid in erecting the Congregational church. He died at the age of sixty-nine years. Nancy Osgood, his wife, who was born in Brooklin, Me., became the mother of six children; namely, Catherine; Louisa;

Hattie; Rodolphus W.; Eleanor, who died at the age of eighteen years; and Alfred C., the subject of this sketch. Catherine, who married William Tarr, and resides in Bucksport, Me., has one daughter, Ella W. Louisa, who is the wife of the Rev. T. J. B. House, and resides in Boston, Mass., has four children—Ida, Hattie E., Etta, and Maggie House. Hattie Osgood also resides in Boston; and Rodolphus W., who married Clara Keith, has five children—Edna, Etta, Susan L., Florence, and Henry.

Alfred C. Osgood attended the district schools. On account of his father's feeble health his educational opportunities were limited. He assisted in carrying on the farm until he was seventeen years old. Then he enlisted as a private in Company D, Thirty-first Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, which served under General Grant until the close of the Civil War. At the battle of Cold Harbor he received a gunshot wound in the hip, sustaining a permanent injury. Rejoining his regiment six months later, he was present at the siege of Petersburg and at Lee's surrender. He was mustered out of service August 1, 1865. After a short sojourn in Lowell, Mass., he returned to the homestead in Blue Hill, where he has since resided. After following various occupations up to the spring of 1897, he was appointed a Deputy by Sheriff Hooper.

Mr. Osgood married Augusta L. Dodge, a daughter of Deacon John Dodge. His only daughter, Addie M., now the wife of George Frederick, of Methuen, Mass., has one daugh-



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ter, Catherine Frederick. He is a charter member of James A. Garfield Post, No. 45, G. A. R., of which he is now the Commander. He is also a member of the North Sedgwick Grange, Patrons of Husbandry. In politics he is a Republican, having cast his first Presidential vote for U. S. Grant in 1868. He has served with ability as Road Commissioner and Surveyor.

CALMON PAUL, M.D., a successful homœopathic physician of Solon, Somerset County, Me., was born in Parkman, Piscataquis County, January 27, 1852, son of Daniel and Mary (Hobart) Paul. The parents were born in Solon. Early in their married life they settled in Parkman, where they resided for some years, but eventually returned to their native town. Daniel Paul died in 1887. His widow is still residing here. They had six children, namely: George, a commission merchant in Boston; Newell and Martha, who are no longer living; C. Almon Paul, M.D., the subject of this sketch; Willard Paul, M.D., who is practicing in Boston; and Frank D. Paul, M.D., of Rock Island, Ill.

C. Almon Paul acquired his early education in the common schools of Solon, the Athens High School, and the Bloomfield Academy. He began his medical studies with his brother in Rock Island, and subsequently attended the Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago, three terms, during which time he had good opportunities for gaining much valuable experience. After graduating, in 1889 he settled in Solon,

where he has acquired an enviable reputation as a skilful and reliable physician. On April 29, 1891, Dr. Paul was joined in marriage with Nellie Morin, of Embden, Me., daughter of William Morin, a well-known farmer of that town. Dr. and Mrs. Paul have one child, Martha Louise, born March 19, 1898.

In politics the Doctor was formerly a Republican, but he now acts with the Democratic party. He is a member of various medical organizations, including the State Homœopathic, National Electric Society, and the National American Institute of Homœopathy, one of the oldest and most prominent societies of its kind in America. He is also connected with Keystone Lodge, F. & A. M., of Solon.

CAPTAIN SIMON H. PIKE,* a retired shipmaster of Lubec, Washington County, a former commander of steamboats belonging to the International Steamship Line, was born in Eastport, Me., October 7, 1816, son of Elisha and Lydia (Harrington) Pike. His father was a native of Nova Scotia, and his mother was probably born in Eastport. In early life Elisha was a seafaring man and later a ship-rigger in Eastport, where he spent the greater part of his life. He died at the age of eighty-six years, and his wife lived to be eighty-seven. They were the parents of thirteen children, of whom Simon H. was the first-born, and four are living. The latter are: Captain Simon H., the subject of this sketch; Mrs. Abbie Potter, a widow residing in Eastport; Mrs.

Bucknan, also of that city; and Mrs. Carrie M. Kempster, of East Boston. The father was a Free Will Baptist in religious belief, and the mother was a Calvinist.

Simon H. Pike attended the common schools of his native town. At the age of seventeen he began to follow the sea, shipping first as cook and later as a hand before the mast. When twenty-one years old he became master of a vessel, in which capacity he served for about sixteen years. Beginning in 1853 he successively became second pilot, pilot, and later captain of a steamboat. From 1867 to 1884 he was in the employ of the International Steamship Company, commanding at different times the well-known steamboats "New Brunswick," "City of Portland," "City of Falmouth," "State of Maine," and "City of New York." In 1884 he retired from the regular service. Since then, however, he has acted as captain of the last-named steamer on many excursion trips out of Boston, and also as pilot for yachts.

In 1843 Captain Pike was united in marriage with Mary Ann Robinson, who was born in Prince Edward Island in 1820, daughter of John and Annie (Amos) Robinson. Of his six children, Delia R. died at the age of thirty-two years. The others are: Llewellyn W., of Lubec; Ada, the wife of George Cushing, of Eastport; Lizzie, the wife of Captain Samuel Pike, of Lubec; and Milton F. and Albert F., both of whom reside in this town. The Captain has made Lubec his permanent home since 1847. He is one of the best known and most efficient commanders on the

eastern coast, never having met with any serious disaster during the long period in which he sailed as a master mariner. His religious opinions are liberal. In politics he has supported the Republican party since its formation.

SAMUEL LEIGHTON was a veteran agriculturist of Parkman, Piscataquis County. A son of Samuel and Dorothy (Furbush) Leighton, he was born in Mount Vernon, Kennebec County, November 17, 1816. His grandfather, Solomon Leighton, spent his life in Damariscotta and Mount Vernon, settling in the latter place in the early days of the town. He died on the farm where he first settled. Samuel Leighton, Sr., was born in Damariscotta, but, as a boy, went with his parents to Mount Vernon. Inheriting the home place from his father, he carried it on throughout his active life, and died there at the age of eighty-seven years. He was liberal in his religious views and a Republican in politics. Dorothy, his wife, who was born in Rome, Me., lived to be between seventy-five and eighty years of age. Of their five children all are now deceased except Emily H., the wife of Joseph Blasland, of Boston, Mass. The others were: Samuel, the subject of this sketch; Hosea, who died in New Sharon, January 21, 1898; Dorothy F., who was the wife of George Worcester, and died October 21, 1897, on the old Leighton farm in Mount Vernon; and Solomon, who resided in Brockton, Mass., and died August 18, 1897. It was remarkable

that four of the family should die so soon after the death of the youngest son, Solomon.

Samuel Leighton spent his early years on the old homestead in Mount Vernon, and received his education in the schools of that town. His chief occupation was general farming, and for over fifty years he was a resident of Parkman. He came here in 1841, and bought this farm. Two years later he took up his residence upon it, and it was his home for the rest of his life. But little of the farm had then been cleared, and he lived at first in a log house. The place contains one hundred acres. Mr. Leighton died November 14, 1897. Although over eighty years old, he still carried on the farm.

Mr. Leighton married Silvina Leighton, who was born in Mount Vernon, April 9, 1822, daughter of David Leighton. Three of their four children are living. Their only daughter, Lydia E., died at the age of two years and four months. The sons are: Fred, Joseph Blasland, and Ira Gardner Leighton. Fred, born in Parkman, March 29, 1848, married Mary Nutting, and has three children — Bessie M., Stanley E., and Ernest V. He resides in Brockton, Mass. Joseph Blasland Leighton, born in Mount Vernon, July 8, 1855, married Lizzie E. Ring, of Cambridge, Me. They reside on the farm. Ira Gardner Leighton, born in Parkman, April 23, 1857, married Etta A. Rogers, and has one son, Charles Gardner Leighton. They reside in Dexter, Me. In politics Mr. Leighton was a Republican, and he served the town as Selectman for two years. He died November 14,

1897. Mrs. Leighton survives him, and resides on the farm with her son, Joseph.

RUSS A. SNOW,* a retired farmer of Atkinson, Piscataquis County, and an ex-member of the Maine legislature, was born in this town, October 10, 1818, son of Tileston and Nancy (Heath) Snow. His grandfather was Benjamin Snow, who came from New Hampshire to Atkinson about the year 1818. The maiden name of Benjamin's wife was Elizabeth Payson, and his children were: Henry, Tileston, Russ, and Eleazar Wheelock Snow, M. D. Henry and Russ died in Ohio; and Eleazar practised medicine in Atkinson until his death.

Tileston Snow, who was born in New Hampshire, accompanied his parents to Atkinson. He was engaged in farming until he was seventy years old. Then he went to Minnesota, and passed the last ten years of his life with his children. His wife, Nancy, who survived him several years, became the mother of seven children; namely, Elizabeth M., Russ A., Charlotte, Albion P., B. Flavell, J. Milton, and George J. All are living, and the youngest is sixty years old. Elizabeth M. married Dana Hamlet, and resides in Minnesota; Charlotte, who resides in the same State, is the wife of Bradley Hamlet; Albion P. is a resident of Brownville, Me.; B. Flavell is a farmer in Minnesota; George J. and J. Milton formerly resided in that State, and the latter is now the owner of a vineyard in California.

Russ A. Snow was educated at the academies in Charleston and Foxcroft, Me., and fitted himself for educational work. Afterward he was engaged in teaching school for twenty years. At the end of that time he turned his attention to agriculture, and for a period of thirty years cultivated a farm containing between three hundred and four hundred acres. Politically, Mr. Snow has been a Republican since the formation of the party, and at one time he was the chairman of the Republican Town Committee. He served as a Selectman for some twelve years, being the chairman of the board for the greater part of that time. For many years he was a member of the School Board and Supervisor of Schools. He has been Moderator at town meetings many times; was a County Commissioner for three years, being the chairman for one year; and he represented his district in the legislature of 1858. In the legislature he served on the Education Committee, and was instrumental in securing the passage of the bill providing for the establishment of normal schools. He was formerly connected with the Patrons of Husbandry, has been a Good Templar for many years, and is a regular attendant at church.

Mr. Snow married for his first wife Amanda P. Snow and for his second Mrs. Hannah W. Ramsdell Freeze, now deceased, who was the widow of Samuel Freeze. She had three children by her first marriage—Samuel, Frank J., and Fanny W. Mr. Snow has been the father of ten children, seven by his first union and three by his last. They

were: Charles C., William A., Dorcas M., Annie E., Edwin W., Amanda, John M., Harry O., Charles C. (second), and Herbert P. Charles C. died young. Annie E., Edwin W., and Amanda are also deceased. Dorcas M. married G. D. Lyford, of this town. The homestead is now carried on jointly by Charles C. and Herbert P. Snow, who are engaged in general farming and dairying. Herbert married Minnie E. Campbell, and has three children—Karl C., Lisle M., and Fanny F. Charles C. Snow married Nellie M. Freeze, and has two children—Maud E. and Russ A.

FLON. SAMUEL N. CAMPBELL,*
of Cherryfield, Washington County,
was born in this town, August 15,
1834. A son of Alexander and Caroline H.
(Ricker) Campbell, he is a descendant of
Alexander Campbell, a Scotchman, and
Frances Drummond, a lady of Irish birth.
Alexander Campbell, son of this couple, was
born in Georgetown, Sagadahoc County.
Some time between the years 1766 and 1768
he moved from Damariscotta to Steuben, this
county, and built the first mill in that locality,
on the east side of the river, in what is now
Smithville. He was a Colonel in the Revolu-
tionary army and a confidential adviser of
Colonel John Allan, who did so much for this
part of Maine at that time.

Samuel Campbell, son of Colonel Camp-
bell, was one of the first settlers of Cherry-
field, and owned a large portion of the land on

which the village is built. Some time prior to 1800 he erected the Campbell homestead here, now occupied by Fred I. Campbell, Washington County Attorney, who is of the fifth generation of Campbells in this town. He was in the lumber business, and built the first saw-mill here. He died at the homestead. His son Samuel, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was born in the old Campbell house. He, too, was engaged in manufacturing lumber; and he died in the house where he was born and where his father died, being then fifty-eight years of age. In politics he was a Whig. His wife, Rebecca Wass Campbell, born in Columbia, this county, lived to the advanced age of ninety years. Both were members of the Baptist church. They reared a family of five children — David W., Alexander, Francis C., Susan, and Nancy, all now deceased.

Alexander Campbell, the Hon. Samuel N. Campbell's father, born in Cherryfield in March, 1806, spent his life in this town. He was head of the firm of A. Campbell & Co., manufacturers of lumber and ship-builders, and a leading man of this locality. Prominent in politics as well as in business, he was in the State Senate for one year, and at one time he was a member of the electoral college. First a Whig, he became a Republican when that party was organized. While liberal in his views on the subject of religion, he attended divine worship with his wife at the Baptist church, and contributed to its support. His wife was also a native of Cherryfield. They had a family of

eight children; namely, Frances S., Gleason R., Samuel N., D. S., Bartlett A., Susan M., Fred I., and David W. Bartlett A. died in 1884. Susan M. resides in Dorchester, Mass.; Gleason, in Allston, Mass.; and Frances S., Fred I., and David W., in Cherryfield. Both of the parents are now deceased.

Samuel N. Campbell was educated in the public schools of Cherryfield, finishing his studies at the academy. He began to earn his living when he was twenty-one years old, and was in the West in 1855 and 1856. On his return to the East he was associated with his father in the lumber business. Since 1865 he has been a member of the firm of G. R. Campbell & Co., successors to the old firm of A. Campbell & Co. This, the oldest lumber firm in the locality, is formed by G. R. Campbell, Charles Campbell, and the subject of this biography. It manufactures and deals in long lumber, laths, shingles, and clapboards, and promptly fills "orders for spruce and pine shipping lumber for the foreign markets."

Mr. Campbell was married January 1, 1859, to Elizabeth S. Redmond, who was born in Cherryfield, daughter of Dr. Tristram Redmond, of this town. He has two sons: Alexander, who is in the general insurance business at Minneapolis, Minn.; and William F., residing in Cherryfield. A Republican in politics, he has served for a number of years as Town Clerk. In 1873-74 he was in the State legislature, and in 1875 he was in the State Senate. For one year, 1879-80, he was in Governor Davis's Council; for two years

in Governor Plaisted's Council; and he was Commissary-general on Governor Robie's staff for four years. In 1888 he was a Presidential elector. He has been active in a number of public enterprises, and was on the Committee for the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital at Bangor. A thirty-second degree Mason, he belongs to the lodge in Cherryfield, Dirigo Chapter, St. Elmo Commandery at Machias, Portland Consistory, and Cora Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Lewiston. Liberal in religious matters, he attends service at the Congregational church.

CHARLES CAMPBELL, the second member of the firm of G. R. Campbell & Co., was born in Cherryfield, March 2, 1833. He is a son of David W. Campbell, Samuel N. Campbell's uncle. David W. Campbell was born in Cherryfield in 1804, and is now deceased. His wife, Margaret B. Nickels Campbell, also deceased, was born in Cherryfield in 1807. They had a family of eight children; namely, Rebecca W., Charles, Frank, Martha N., Emily D., Eliza N., Ida M., and Nancy. All but Nancy are living. Charles was educated in this town, attending the academy. He has been a member of the firm of G. R. Campbell & Co. since 1865, and is one of the prominent business men of the place. The store owned by the company is the largest store in the town, and their lumber business is the leading industry, employing about one hundred and seventy-five men.

In 1857 Charles Campbell was married to

Abbie A., daughter of Nahum Hill, born in East Sullivan. Both of her parents are deceased. She has had eight children, namely: Helen, William, and Mary L., now deceased; and Nahum, Grace, Albert, Alice, and David. In politics her husband is a Republican, and he is a member of Lodge No. 88, of Cherryfield. Both attend the Baptist church.

MOTT E. RUSSELL,* an extensive fruit-grower and farmer of Cornville, Somerset County, Me., was born December 1, 1859, in the adjacent town of Madison, the native place of his parents, Edward and Julia (Harlow) Russell.

His paternal grandfather, whose name was Caleb, was born in St. Albans, Me. Caleb Russell spent the greater part of his married life in the town of Madison, but eventually removed to Illinois, and died there. His wife was Rhoda Loomis. They had two children: Edward, above mentioned; and Helen, wife of Joel Holbrook, a carpenter in Illinois.

Edward Russell has made farming his vocation through life, being owner of a good homestead in East Madison. Five children were born to him and his wife, Julia, namely: Mott E., whose personal history is given below; Frank and Frederick, twins; Herbert E., a trombone player; and Anson, who died in childhood. Frank Russell is employed in the Madison Woollen Mills, and lives at home. Fred, also an employee of the woollen-mills, married Miss Eva Freeman, of Cornville.

Mott E. Russell acquired a common-school education, and at the age of twenty years learned the mason's trade in Skowhegan, where he worked six years. In 1883 he bought his present property in Cornville, the John Hilton farm, on which he has since been actively and profitably engaged, making a specialty of his hay and apple crop. He has made important improvements on the place, which contains two hundred and thirty acres of land. His orchard has sixteen hundred apple-trees, in the culture of which he is quite successful, their annual yield being very large. He is highly esteemed among his neighbors and friends as a man of sterling integrity, and is a valued member of the community. In politics he is a Republican.

Mr. Russell was married February 5, 1894, to Miss Daisy Bunker, of Athens, Me. They have one child, Fay Gertrude, born November 26, 1896. Mrs. Russell's father, Frost Bunker, is one of the leading farmers of Athens. He and his wife, whose maiden name was Almeda Tibbetts, have had seven children, namely: Howard, deceased; John, who lives with his parents; Helen, wife of George Leavitt, of Athens; Daisy, now Mrs. Russell; Annie, wife of Frank Longley, of Solon, Me.; Chloe, who died in 1895; and Chester, living at home.

CHARLES H. CUMMINGS,* a prominent resident of Jonesport, Washington County, and a packer of smoked herring, was born in this town, May 15, 1834,

son of Francis and Mary (Kelley) Cummings. The paternal grandfather, an industrious man, who came from the Isle of Wight, was an early settler in Jonesport, where he passed the rest of his life. The maiden name of his wife was Mary Kelley.

Francis Cummings, the father, a lifelong resident of Jonesport, who served in a company of minute-men during the War of 1812, was engaged in the coasting trade and fishing industry. He took an active interest in public affairs, serving as a Selectman, and in other town offices. In politics he was successively a Whig and a Republican. He died August 11, 1871. His wife, Mary, who was a native of Unity, Waldo County, became the mother of thirteen children, of whom two are living, namely: Thomas, a seafaring man of Jonesport; and Charles H., the subject of this sketch. The mother died March 13, 1877.

Charles H. Cummings was educated in the common schools of his native town. Beginning at the age of thirteen he followed the sea for twenty years, rising to the position of mate, and visiting many foreign ports. After retiring from the merchant service he followed the carpenter's trade for several years. In 1894 he started in the smoked herring business, and is now packing from ten thousand to fifteen thousand boxes annually for Portland and New York dealers. He owns some valuable shore acres.

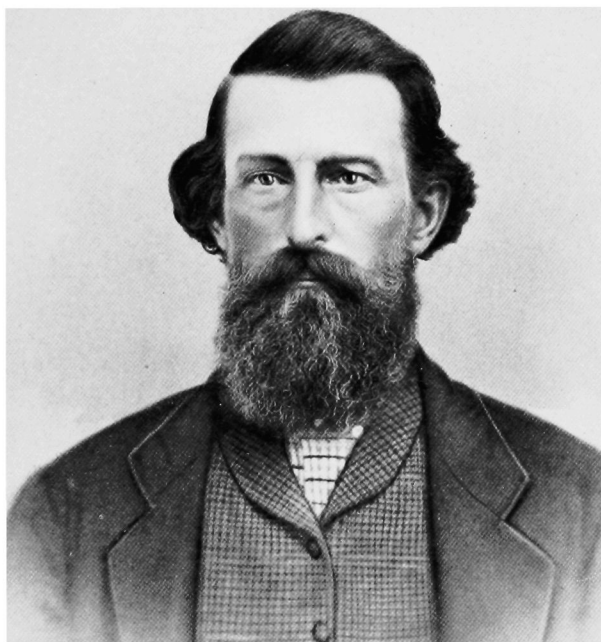
In 1862 Mr. Cummings married Rhoda Alley, a native of Jonesport and a daughter of Joseph Alley. Mr. and Mrs. Cummings

have nine children living; namely, Charles W., Cordelia, Cora E., Sidney L., Cassius M., Bertha M., Velma E., Almeda, and Verne. In politics Mr. Cummings is a Republican. He has taken much interest in educational matters, having served as Supervisor of Schools for fifteen years. He has also been a member of the Board of Selectmen, and ably represented this district in the legislature in 1881.

LORENZO D. HOLMES, a well-to-do farmer of Cornville township, Somerset County, son of John W. Holmes, was born January 6, 1830, in Portland, Me. The father, a native of Scarborough, Me., when a lad of ten years, removed with his parents to Portland, where he learned the trade of tanner and currier, and also worked at shoemaking for a time. In May, 1836, he came to Cornville, and, buying land not far from where his son Lorenzo now lives, was there engaged in farming until his death, which occurred in February, 1868. He married Susan Hooper, a native of Portland, who died in Cornville in July, 1856. They had nine children, namely: Mary C., who married William H. Palmer, of Cornville; Lorenzo D., the subject of this biography; Nancy, who died in February, 1856; Henry, who died at the age of twenty years; John, Marcus, and Frederick, deceased; Albion K. P., who died in October, 1896; and Orrin J., who married Julia M. Ricker, and lives on the old homestead in Cornville.

Lorenzo D. Holmes was reared and educated in Cornville, continuing his residence with his parents until his marriage. Subsequently in Dorchester, Mass., for two years he followed the carpenter's trade, which he had learned in Dedham, Mass. He then returned to Somerset County; and, settling upon a farm which he owned in the town of Cornville, he lived there seven years, and during that time served as a soldier in the late Rebellion. Having enlisted July 15, 1862, in Company F, Twentieth Maine Volunteer Infantry, under Colonel Ames and Captain Andrews, of Harmony, he participated in many of the more important battles of the war, including the seven days' fight at South Mountain and the battles of Antietam and Gettysburg. After Gettysburg, where he was not injured, he was taken sick, owing to the privations and exposures he had undergone, and was carried to the hospital in Baltimore, where he was confined for three months. He has never fully recovered from the effects of his life in camp and on the field, and now draws a pension from the government. After receiving his discharge on December 18, 1862, he returned to his family in Cornville. Later he lived in Athens for eight years. Then he purchased his present fine property in Cornville, containing one hundred acres of land, which he successfully devotes to mixed husbandry.

Mr. Holmes was married November 6, 1855, to Miss Clara Hall, who was born September 30, 1831, in Dorchester, Mass. Her parents, Stephen and Elizabeth (Tolman)



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Hall, spent their entire lives in Dorchester. Mr. Hall, who was a wheelwright, died in 1846, and Mrs. Hall in 1876. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes have one child, George L., born December 25, 1866, who assists in the care of the farm. He married Miss Carrie M. Knight, and now has two children: Alice G., born July 21, 1888; and George Leon, born October 4, 1894. Mr. Holmes formerly voted the Democratic ticket, but is now an earnest Republican. Though he takes no very active part in local affairs, he has held many of the minor offices of the town. He is a member of the William Morgan Post, G. A. R., of Athens, Me., and of the grange at East Madison. Many years ago he united with the Methodist Episcopal Church of Athens, and is still one of its most faithful adherents. Mrs. Holmes is an active member of the Athens Congregational Church.

JOSEPH R. CRANDAL,* locomotive foreman in the employ of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Henderson, in the town of Brownville, Piscataquis County, Me., was born in the Province of Quebec, March 5, 1852, son of Elisha and Cynthia (Perkins) Crandal.

Elisha Crandal is a native of Highgate, Vt. He has given his attention chiefly to farming, which he followed for some years in Vermont. At times, however, he has taken a hand at mason work and bridge building. He is now living in Frost Village, Shefford County, Quebec. His wife, whose maiden name was

Cynthia Perkins, was born in Vermont. They have had six children, of whom Chastina and Salina are now deceased. The living are: Albert E. Crandal, a lumberman and manufacturer of Jonesville, Vt.; Joseph R., of Brownville; Elisha, an engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railroad and a resident of Henderson; and Ursula, who resides in the suburbs of Boston, Mass.

Joseph R. Crandal grew to manhood in Canada, where he received a common-school education. For eleven years he devoted himself to the business of cheese-making, and in 1875-76 he engaged in railroading, which he has followed continuously since that time. He began working in a subordinate position on the old South-eastern at Waterloo in Canada, and from that he rose to be fireman and finally engineer. He held the last-named position eighteen years. In 1888 he was made locomotive foreman at Henderson, Me., where he has charge of the shop and engine men, there being thirty-seven men in the shop and forty or more firemen and engineers. Mr. Crandal has risen to his present responsible position by his own persevering industry, having always given his attention strictly to his duties. He removed to Brownville when he received his appointment as foreman.

Mr. Crandal has twice married. By his first wife, Hannah Ogden, of Ontario, he is the father of three children — Minnie, James, and Frederick; and by his second wife, Nellie Johnson, of Newport, Vt., he has two — Eva and Herbert.

In political affiliation Mr. Crandal is a Re-

publican. Fraternally, he is connected with Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, F. & A. M., and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. He is a member of the Episcopal church.

DANIEL MORGAN GARDNER,* the proprietor of the Border City Hotel, Calais, Washington County, and a Civil War veteran, was born in Pembroke, this county, January 6, 1834, son of Jacob D. and Sarah L. (Morgan) Gardner. The family was founded in America by Thomas Gardner, who arrived from England in 1624. His son, Thomas, had two sons, Richard and John. The latter, who was known as Captain John Gardner, settled first in Hingham. Later he went to Nantucket, where he became prominent among the early settlers. He died in 1706. The maiden name of his wife was Priscilla Grafton.

Stephen Gardner, of Hingham, great-grandfather of Daniel M., married Huldah Chubbuck. Warren Gardner, the grandfather, who was born in Hingham, served in the Revolutionary War. Shortly after that war he came to Eastern Maine. He married Mary, daughter of Jacob Dunbar, also of Hingham. Jacob D. Gardner, son of Warren, was born in Pembroke, Me. Settling in Charlotte when a young man, he cleared a farm, and thereon resided for the rest of his life. He died February 7, 1844, aged forty-seven years. His wife, Sarah, who was a daughter of Theophilus Morgan, of Charlotte, became the mother of eight children, namely: Sarah E., born

December 17, 1821; Jacob, born January 21, 1824; Jeremiah, born in 1826; Almira B., born July 8, 1828, who died March 10, 1896, having been the wife of Jesse G. Tarbell, of Calais, now also deceased; Lavinia M., born May 20, 1831, who is the wife of S. H. Norton, of Tacoma, Wash.; Daniel M., the subject of this sketch; Olive Maria, born December 28, 1836, who married William H. Gallison, of Portland, both of whom are deceased; and Sarah Amanda, born August 11, 1839, who is the wife of John S. Bridges, of Meddybemps, Me. The mother was a member of the Baptist church.

Daniel Morgan Gardner attended school in his native town, and resided at home until he was sixteen years old. Then in Bangor he worked at the carpenter's trade with his brother for a short time; and for one winter he lived in Dexter, Me., with a Mr. Cutler, one of the owners of a woollen-mill. After this he learned the harness-maker's trade in Bangor, and followed it for about twenty-five years in all. Locating in Calais shortly after becoming a journeyman, he found steady employment until September 10, 1862, when he enlisted in Company F. Twenty-second Regiment, Volunteer Infantry, and was appointed Sergeant. In the service, while stationed at Arlington Heights, he contracted a serious illness, from the effects of which he has not fully recovered yet. After his discharge from the army he drove a stage for a time, was employed at his trade in Calais until 1875, and was in the livery business for two years. In May, 1878, he opened the American House,

and subsequently carried it on until he took possession of the Border City Hotel, completed by him in 1885. He has since managed this well-known hostelry with success. As a Republican, Mr. Gardner has represented his ward in the Board of Aldermen for seven years, during three of which he was the president, and during the greater part of one year he was acting Mayor.

Mr. Gardner married Deborah Bradford, daughter of Percy Bradford, of this city. Of his eleven children, seven grew to maturity; namely, Charles B., Clara E., Daniel Merton, Olive M., Stephen, Edward M., and Sarah. Olive M. married French E. Hill, of Snady Island, Me.; and Sarah L. is the wife of Arthur Corliss, of Portland. Mr. Gardner was Worshipful Master of St. Croix Lodge, F. & A. M., for four years; is Past High Priest of St. Croix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; a member of Hugh de Payens Commandery, Knights Templar; of Delta Lodge of Perfection, in Machias; of St. Croix Council, Royal and Select Masters; and of Kora Temple of the Mystic Shrine, in Lewiston. He also is connected with Calais Lodge and C. H. Porter Division, Uniform Rank, of K. of P.; with the Maine Division, Sons of the Revolution; and he is a comrade of Joel A. Haycock Post, G. A. R. He attends the Universalist church.

LEWIS W. HODGKINS, M.D.,* a prosperous and highly esteemed physician of Ellsworth, Hancock County, son of Isaac Hodgkins, was born in

December, 1829, at Trenton, Me., now called Lamoine. His paternal grandfather, Edward Hodgkins, was one of the early pioneers of Trenton, whither he removed from Kennebec County in Colonial days. A man of energy and industry, Edward was skilled in many occupations, having been a sailor, a carpenter, and a farmer. One of his sons, his eldest, while serving as a ship-carpenter on a frigate during the War of 1812, was captured by the British, and subsequently died in prison. Another of his sons was for many years a custom-house officer at Portsmouth, N.H. He lived to the venerable age of ninety-two years. The maiden name of his wife was Mary Hamor. Isaac Hodgkins made ship-building his principal business. Owning land in Trenton, the town in which he spent his entire life of seventy-six years, he was also engaged to some extent in farming. He married Mary Ann De Siles, a descendant of one of the early French settlers of Hancock County; and the Doctor was his only child. Letters of inquiry received from France by Dr. Hodgkins about three years ago established the fact that the De Siles family is of gentle blood and one of the oldest in France.

Lewis W. Hodgkins was educated in the public schools of Ellsworth and at the Waterville College, now Colby University. Afterward he began the study of medicine with Dr. Babb, of Waterville, and attended the Philadelphia Medical College. In 1855 he graduated from the Medical College of Albany, N.Y. He spent the next two years as a practitioner at Troy, N.Y. Thence he went to

Fairfield, Ind., where he continued his practice until 1862. Enlisting then as senior assistant surgeon in the Sixty-eighth Indiana Volunteer Infantry, he was assigned to the Army of the Tennessee, and served until the cessation of hostilities. He was on the first fleet of boats that went up the Cumberland River to Nashville, and subsequently participated in many hotly contested engagements. At the battle of Green River he was captured by the rebels, and held a prisoner thirteen days. At Dalton, Ga., he was again taken prisoner, and while so restrained was left in charge of a hospital. At the close of the war the Doctor returned to Hancock County. Settling in Ellsworth, he has here built up a lucrative practice. For fifteen years he has had charge of the Marine Hospital.

The Doctor has served the community on the Board of Fence Examiners since he first came to the town. Fraternally, he is a Mason and a member of the G. A. R. in Ellsworth. In 1852 he cast his first Presidential ballot for Franklin Pierce. Since then he has been a loyal Democrat. By his marriage with Miss Julia M. Thomas, of Pine Plains, N. Y., he has four children — Isaac L., Lewis, Minnie, and Charles. Isaac is an expert carpenter, and has turned out many delicate pieces of fancy work. Lewis, who in his boyhood visited his father when he was a paroled prisoner, is now a practising physician in Ellsworth. He married Miss Ida E. Norris. Minnie is unmarried, and lives with her parents. Charles is studying medicine at Dartmouth College.

MARTIN A. STEVENS,* a progressive, wide-awake, young agriculturist of Smithfield, Me., was born October 13, 1868, on the old Stevens homestead, which was likewise the birthplace of his father, the late Milton Stevens. His paternal grandfather, Benjamin Stevens, grew to manhood in the town of Shapleigh, York County, Me., but shortly after marriage came to Somerset County, and, buying a tract of heavily timbered land in Smithfield, began the pioneer labor of redeeming a farm.

Milton Stevens was born December 13, 1819, and until his death, June 23, 1897, lived on the home farm. He continued in the occupation to which he was reared, following farming, stock-raising, and dealing, his practical knowledge and good financial ability bringing him substantial results. He married Miss Catharine Merrill, who was born in Oakland, Me., March 20, 1824. She is now making her home with her children, each one claiming her presence a part of the time. She is a woman of strong personality, highly esteemed by all, and a member of the Free Will Baptist church. To her and her husband seven children were born; namely, Nancy, Benjamin, Milton C., Oliver H., Martin A., Lynn C., and Adelbert. Nancy is the wife of August Goodrich, a farmer in Oakland, Me.; Benjamin, a Smithfield farmer, married Mary Mosher; Milton C., engaged in farming in Fairfield, Me., married Ellen A. Spaulding; Oliver H., a farmer in Larone, Somerset County, married Climena Wade; Lynn C., also a farmer in Larone, married

Emma Magoon; and Adelbert, a farmer in Smithfield, married Helen Wade.

Martin A. Stevens acquired his education in the district schools, and, working with his father on the home farm, was practically trained in the various branches of agriculture. He has been eminently successful as a tiller of the soil and as a trader in cattle. In the homestead property he has one hundred and fourteen acres of land, and in addition he has a wood lot of eighty acres in Smithfield and thirty acres of land in the town of Fairfield. Seemingly the only really ill luck which has befallen him in life happened on May 27, 1876, when he was injured by a bullet, losing the sight of his left eye. From his youth up he has been a staunch Republican in politics, and has already served in many of the minor offices of the town.

Mr. Stevens was united in marriage March 20, 1892, with Miss Carrie Lawrence, who was born September 13, 1875, in Norridgewock. Her parents, Frank and Rosanna (Lawrence) Lawrence, are among the substantial farmers of that town. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens have two children, namely: Irvin M., born October 21, 1893; and Roy Lynn, born May 29, 1897.

HON. JOHN H. RAMSDELL,* who passed the major part of his busy and useful life in Atkinson, Piscataquis County, and filled various elective positions in the public service, including those of Representative and State Senator, was born in Gray,

Cumberland County, July 13, 1798, son of Samuel and Betsey (Hamilton) Ramsdell. The father, who came from New Hampshire, later removed from Gray to Penobscot County, settling in Orono. He and his wife reared a family of seven children; namely, William H., Roland, John H., Alonzo, Sarah, Charles, and Hannah W. Of these, Charles is the only survivor. Roland and Alonzo resided in Atkinson for a number of years. Hannah W. first married a Mr. Freeze. Her second marriage was with Russ Snow, of this town. Sarah married, and resided elsewhere.

John H. Ramsdell acquired a liberal education. He studied theology with the intention of entering the ministry, but, afterward deciding that he was better fitted for a mercantile career, was for a time engaged in business in Garland, Me. After moving from that town to Atkinson, he first gave his attention to farming. A short time after settling here he bought Elisha L. Hammond's general store, and subsequently conducted it until 1880, when he sold out to A. M. Campbell. He was also engaged in general farming to some extent. What leisure time he could spare was devoted to public affairs. His scholarly acquirements were made use of in many ways, particularly in matters relating to public education. As superintendent of schools he not only raised the course of study to a much higher standard of excellence, but spared no pains to secure the most competent instructors. In politics he was a Republican. He served with ability in both branches of the State legislature, and was a Justice of the Peace for a

time. During the war he was appointed to a position in the State Commissary Department, a part of his duty being to furnish the Adjutant-general with a list of men in this town; and he also assisted in recruiting soldiers.

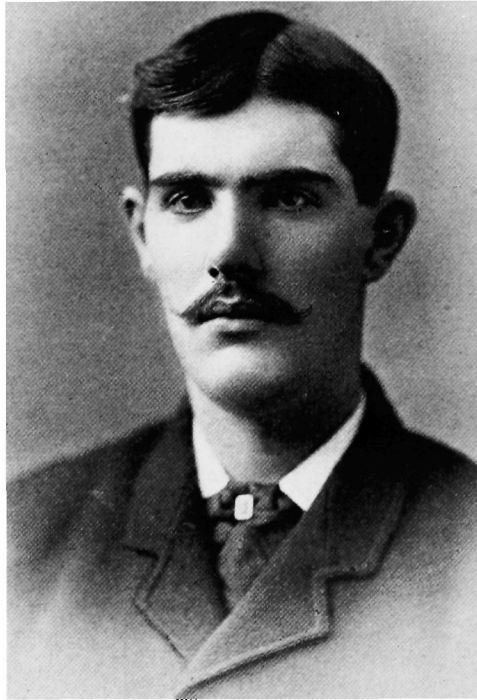
Mr. Ramsdell first married Mary Flanders, who had two children, Henry A. and George B., and died in Garland. In 1849 he married Ellen R. Hammond, who survives him. She is a daughter of Elisha F. Hammond, formerly a prosperous merchant of this town. Her father, after retiring from active business, attended to the settlement of estates, and was prominently identified with moral and religious movements in the community. She had four children; namely, Mary E., Louise H., Emily, and Elisha H. Mary E. is now residing with her mother, the widow of Danville S. Hathorn, who died in Medford, N.H., in September, 1894. Louise H. married Milton D. Noyes, and resides in this town. Emily is a photographer in Bangor, and Elisha H. is no longer living. The father was officially connected with the Methodist Episcopal church for many years and the president of the Camp Meeting Association from its organization until his death.

HERBERT L. CILLEY,* a progressive young farmer of Atkinson, Piscataquis County, was born in this town, September 29, 1871, son of Loren B. and Louisa (Hobbs) Cilley. The Cilley family came originally from Brentwood, N.H., of which town Jacob Cilley, the great-grand-

father of the subject of this sketch, was probably a lifelong resident. Isaac Cilley, the grandfather, was the first of the name to settle in Atkinson. Having got to Bangor from New Hampshire by sailing-vessel, he made his way to Piscataquis County by following a trail through the wilderness. He settled upon fifty-five acres of wild land, which he cleared and improved into a good farm, and afterward resided here until his death, which occurred in February, 1890, at the age of eighty-five years. A carpenter by trade, he followed that craft in connection with farming during his active years. He married Betsey Blake, a native of New Hampshire, who had four children — Simon B., Loren B., Elvina T., and Isaac A.

Loren B. Cilley settled on a farm adjoining his father's property when he was twenty-one years old, since which time he has industriously followed agriculture. He has rendered his share of service to the town in a public capacity, having been a member of the Board of Selectmen for six years. In politics he is a Democrat. His wife, Louisa, who is a daughter of William Hobbs, became the mother of five children; namely, Edwin R., Irene B., William B., Minnie E., and Herbert L. Irene B. married C. L. Hoyt, of Dover; and Minnie E. is the wife of Arthur Tewksbury, of the same town.

After receiving his education in the schools of Atkinson, Herbert L. Cilley for a time was employed at the homestead farm. Later he succeeded to the property which was cleared by his grandfather, and where he is



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now making a specialty of dairy farming. In politics he acts with the Democratic party. Although the town is strongly Republican, he was elected a Selectman in 1897. He is a member of Kinco Lodge, No. 64, I. O. O. F. His wife, Mrs. Clara Cilley, is a daughter of Theron Rogers, of Dover.

WALTER O. HILTON, a prosperous dairyman and produce shipper of St. Albans, Somerset County, was born in this town, October 18, 1862, son of Jonathan F. and Ann Augusta (Brown) Hilton. The paternal grandfather, Jonathan Hilton, Sr., came from New Hampshire to St. Albans toward the close of the last century, and resided upon land in the northern part of the town for the rest of his life. The father, who was born here, September 7, 1827, was formerly engaged in the cattle business, driving large herds to the market at Brighton, Mass., and is now residing on a farm situated some three miles north of the village. One of the prominent residents of the town, he rendered valuable service as a member of the Board of Selectmen for a number of years. Ann Augusta Hilton, his wife, who was born in St. Albans, March 11, 1841, is the mother of six children, namely: Walter O., the subject of this sketch; Alfred, born March 12, 1864, who married Mabel Philbrick, and is a farmer in this town; Herbert B., born January 17, 1869, who married Annie Hanson, and is also engaged in farming here; Charles Sumner, born October 26, 1872; Harry J., born October 10, 1875,

both of whom are residing at home; and Nancy May, born July 31, 1878, who is the wife of Bert Lombard, a carriage painter in Ripley, Me.

Walter O. Hilton was educated in the public schools of his native town. His first employment after reaching his majority was that of a mill operative in a mill on the Penobscot River. He followed the same business in Lewiston for a year. Going from there to Providence, R.I., he was an attendant at the Butler Hospital for a like period; and later he went to the Augusta (Me.) Hospital in the same capacity. Since 1886 he has resided upon the Smith farm of eighty acres, which he has greatly improved. Here he is engaged in general farming, stock-raising, and dairying, keeps an average of fourteen head of cattle, and produces a large quantity of butter annually, which he ships to Boston and Lowell, Mass.

On January 1, 1886, Mr. Hilton was joined in marriage with Bertha E. Smith, a daughter of John and Lydia A. (Dunlap) Smith, both now deceased, who were prosperous farming people of this town. Mrs. Hilton is the mother of two children: Flossie A., born December 13, 1886; and Sadie, born February 23, 1888. In politics Mr. Hilton is liberal. Aside from the minor town offices in which he has been called upon to serve, he is now second Selectman, having been a member of the board for three years. He is highly esteemed as an industrious and useful citizen, and the ability with which he forwards the interests of the community is heartily appreciated. Mr.

Hilton is connected with Hartland Lodge, No. 101, I. O. O. F.

BENJAMIN MOORE,* a prominent and popular citizen of Somerset County, residing in the village of North Anson, is well known as a stirring business man, who has done much to advance the material interests of town and county. He was born November 18, 1847, in Anson. This town was likewise the place of birth of his parents, Albert and Sarah E. (Dinsmore) Moore, both of whom were descendants of pioneer settlers. The founder of the Somerset County branch of the Moore family was Major John Moor, who came here from New Hampshire, locating in the village of North Anson, which he afterward made his home.

Albert Moore was a man of literary tastes and accomplishments, and during a large part of his active career was engaged in newspaper work. Possessed of great intelligence and force of character, he was one of the foremost citizens of North Anson, and was honored by his fellow-townsmen with election to important public offices. He served as Selectman for thirty years, was a member of the State legislature in 1850, and was also for several terms Judge and Register of the Probate Court, filling each and every office in a manner reflecting credit upon himself and his constituents. He was very active and influential in Masonic circles, being an official member of Northern Star Lodge, No. 28, of North Anson, and of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

He passed to the life beyond, April 11, 1895. His widow, Mrs. Sarah E. Moore, still occupies the old homestead on Elm Street in North Anson. They had a family of five children, namely: Sarah A., now deceased, who was the wife of the late Frank Bodfish, formerly a druggist in North Anson village; Alice P., who resides with her mother; Benjamin, the special subject of this sketch; Elizabeth and Ellie, who died in infancy.

Benjamin Moore acquired the rudiments of his education in the 'common schools, subsequently completing his early studies at the Anson Academy. Remaining at home, he worked with his father, from whom he learned the printer's trade; and on attaining his majority he became junior member of the firm of Albert Moore & Son. This firm established a paper called the *Union Advocate*, which was published weekly, and had a circulation of eight hundred copies. He continued its publication for a year or more after the death of his father. He has since been engaged in job printing, carrying on an extensive business in that line. He is also engaged in the insurance business, and is the owner of much real estate in this locality, his investments invariably proving judicious and profitable.

He is a strong Democrat in his political affiliations, but has never cared to hold public office, although from 1893 until 1897 he was Postmaster in North Anson. He is deeply interested in Masonry, and has done much to advance the interests of this order since uniting with the Northern Star Lodge when twenty-one years of age. He is likewise a

member in high standing of the Grand Lodge of Maine, being a Past Master.

On June 8, 1870, Mr. Moore married Miss Martha E. Dinsmore, a daughter of Abner and Julia (Getchell) Dinsmore, natives of Anson, but after their marriage residents of Bingham, Somerset County, where Mr. Dinsmore was engaged as a dealer in boots and shoes. Mr. and Mrs. Moore have two children — Helen E. and Albert. The former is attending school in Boston; and Albert, also a resident of that city, is a clerk in the auditor's office of the Boston & Maine Railway Company.

WILLIAM M. YOUNG,^s a veteran agriculturist of Lamoine, Hancock County, son of the late Solomon Young, was born September 2, 1816, in that part of Trenton that is now included within the limits of Lamoine. Elkanah Young, his paternal grandfather, removed from Cape Cod, the place of his birth, to the town of Eden, Mount Desert, in his early manhood. While living in Massachusetts he was one of the men, who on the evening of December 16, 1773, disguised as Indians, boarded certain ships anchored in Boston Harbor, and cast into the sea three hundred and forty-two chests of tea designed for the colonists. When he settled on Mount Desert, the land was in its pristine wildness. Along Jordan's River he found excellent hunting and fishing, pastimes of which he was exceedingly fond, and by which he kept his larder well

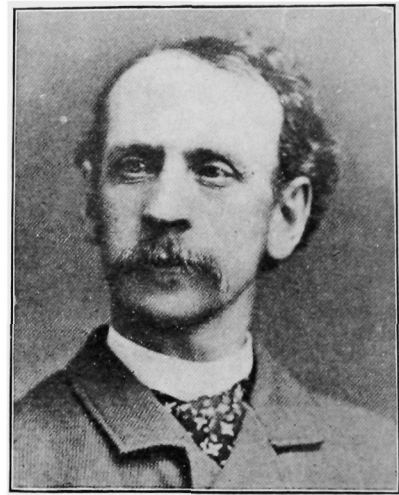
supplied with provisions. At one time he found a dead moose on the marsh. He was also engaged in whaling for several years. In 1800 he took up land in Trenton, and was thereafter chiefly occupied in farming. He died in 1832. His second wife, in maidenhood Mary Lewis, bore him seven sons, all of whom took up land near the parental homestead. Solomon Young was born and brought up in Eden. Coming from there to Trenton with his parents, he soon became familiar with the manual labor necessary to clear and improve a farm; and, finding it congenial to his tastes, he became a tiller of the soil. Taking up a tract of land in that portion of the town now known as Lamoine, he was here engaged in farming and lumbering until his demise, at the age of threescore and three years. He married Sarah Lord, the descendant of an old family of Hancock County. Of their family of fourteen children, twelve grew to maturity, William being the fifth child in order of birth.

William Young attended the district school during the winter terms until nearly twenty years old. Going then to Castine, Me., he was employed as a carpenter in the ship-yard for twenty years, during which time he assisted in building many noble ships. Returning then to his farm, which comprised fifty acres of the old Young homestead, he established himself as a general farmer, and has since been here engaged in tilling the soil. He continued the improvements already begun, and in 1840 erected the present dwelling and other farm buildings. In the pur-

suit of his peaceful occupation he has met with good success, and has won the respect and confidence of his neighbors and friends. He cast his first Presidential vote in 1840 for W. H. Harrison, and since the organization of the Republican party he has been true to its avowed principles. He has served as Road Surveyor and School Agent, and is a member of the Masonic fraternity and of the Baptist church. By his marriage with Sarah, daughter of Edward Berry, of Trenton, he became the father of four children; namely, Nahum B., Adel M., James L., and William C. James died from sunstroke at Philadelphia when but seventeen years old, and William C. was drowned at sea when sixteen years old. Nahum B. Young, a resident of Lamoine, married Lydia Robinson, and has one son, Ralph T. Young. Adel M. is the wife of Artemas Berry, of Hancock, and has two daughters — Nettie S. and Susie. Nettie S. is now the wife of Edward Gilpatrick, of Connecticut, and has two sons — Redmond F. and Jerome Eaton. Susie is the wife of Hervey Saulsbury, of Lamoine, and has two daughters — Nathalie and Della Maria. Mrs. Sarah Young died December 13, 1891, aged seventy-four years.

HUDSON TOWNSEND FRISBIE, a leading merchant of Houlton, Aroostook County, was born in this place in 1839, son of Timothy and Mary E. (Stevens) Frisbie. The first progenitor of the Frisbies in this country came from France

about the year 1700, and the family name at that time was La Frisbie. Timothy Frisbie, father of Hudson T., was born in New Hampshire. He came to Houlton about 1827, and subsequently carried on a mercantile business here. An enterprising man and a model citizen, he took a deep interest in the prosperity of the town and county. He was politically



HUDSON T. FRISBIE.

a Democrat, and served as Register of Deeds for more than thirty years. He was a Universalist in religion.

Hudson T. Frisbie has resided from his birth up to the present time in Houlton, with the exception of a period of about six years. His education was obtained in the academies at Houlton and Yarmouth, Me. He commenced business as a merchant in Houlton in 1860, and has continued thus engaged up to the present time, having met with more than usual suc-

cess. He deals chiefly in dry goods and carpetings, his stock is varied and up-to-date, and he enjoys a large patronage.

He was married February 28, 1867, to Clara Phinney McAllister, a native of Calais, Me., and a daughter of William and Almira McAllister. A Democrat politically, Mr. Frisbie faithfully performs his duties as a citizen. He is a Unitarian in religion. Fraternally, he belongs to the Knights of Pythias.

GEORGE F. WITHEE,* a farmer of Norridgewock, Me., was born in this town, April 5, 1841, a veteran of the Civil War. He is a son of Lovell F. Withee, who has spent his ninety years of life in this township. The family was first represented in Somerset County by two brothers, Nathaniel and William Withee, who removed here from Massachusetts toward the beginning of the present century. Both engaged in the pursuit of agriculture, Nathaniel Withee, the grandfather of George F., locating on a farm near the present homestead.


Lovell F. Withee was born in Norridgewock, and here he carried on general farming throughout his years of activity. He bought the present home farm, on which he labored faithfully, adding substantial improvements, and here reared his family to habits of industry and thrift. His wife, whose maiden name was Lydia Frederick, was born in Starks. She died January 11, 1891. They had seven children, George F. being the third. The following is the record of the other six: Lydia

Frances died at the age of two years; Helen F., born January 15, 1837, is the widow of the late Jacob Goodwin, and resides in Biddeford, Me.; Eliza A., born April 26, 1838, is the widow of the late George Henderson, and also lives in Biddeford; Francis M., born March 16, 1843, is a farmer in South Dakota; Joseph W., born March 14, 1845, is now deceased; and Mary V., born October 26, 1850, died in March, 1897.

George F. Withee in his boyhood pursued his studies in the common schools of Norridgewock, and on his father's farm obtained a practical knowledge of agriculture. On obtaining his majority he enlisted in the service of his country, under Captain Amos Tobey, in Company K, Twenty-first Maine Volunteer Infantry, commanded by Colonel Johnson, and with his regiment participated in the battle of Port Hudson. At the expiration of his term of enlistment he received his honorable discharge at Augusta, Me., August 26, 1863. He was never wounded, but from the incidental exposures and hardships of life in camp and in the battlefield he was physically disabled, and has since suffered much in consequence. After his discharge he spent three years in Northern Wisconsin engaged in lumbering. Returning to Norridgewock, he soon after married and settled on the old Kennedy homestead, where he engaged in farming and lumbering, remaining there until 1888. Since that time he has managed the home farm, his father living with him. He has two hundred acres of land, a large part of which is under cultivation, and is profitably carrying

on general farming, stock-raising, and dairying. In politics he is a Democrat, and has held several of the minor township offices. His father, however, is a staunch adherent of the Republican party, with which he has voted since its formation.

Mr. Withee was married July 7, 1867, to Miss Emma A. Woodsum, who was born in Mercer, Somerset County, January 22, 1847. Her father, Elisha Woodsum, a farmer, was born in Searsmont, Me. He died in 1896. Mrs. Woodsum, formerly Harriet M. Sawtell, was born in Sidney, Me. She still resides with a daughter on the old homestead. Mr. and Mrs. Withee have two children, namely: George L., born September 9, 1868; and Herbert E., born November 9, 1869, both of whom are living at home, and assist in the management of the farm.

RLANDO ASH,* of Bar Harbor, Hancock County, was born in this town, January 16, 1843, son of Benjamin and Maria (Higgins) Ash. The father, who was a native of Nova Scotia, when he was a young man came to Hancock County, and engaged in fishing and coasting. He resided in Gouldsboro until about the year 1853, when he bought land in Bar Harbor, whither he moved his family, and continued to follow the sea for some years. Later he sold building lots to summer visitors at a profit, and resided here until his death, which occurred in 1881 at the age of sixty-six years. With his wife, Maria, who was a daughter of Oliver Higgins,

he reared eight children, all of whom are living; namely, Alonzo H., Almira, Orlando, Elizabeth, Adeline, Nathan, Marian, and Julia H. Alonzo H., who resides in Bar Harbor, married a daughter of Captain Amos Richardson; Almira is unmarried; Elizabeth is the wife of Ambrose Higgins, of this town; Adeline married Edward H. Higgins; Nathan married Sarah A. Cooper; Marian is the wife of W. L. Roberts, of the Newport House; and Julia H. married Arthur W. Ells.

Orlando Ash was educated in the district schools, and remained at home until he was twenty-two years old. He then engaged in menhaden fishing, which he followed successfully until 1886. About that time he started a sardine packing business on Deer Isle, that has been of much benefit to the locality. Since then he has also opened a store, which he still conducts. He now owns several cottages, stables, and other buildings erected by him in Bar Harbor, and he has had some profitable transactions in real estate. One of his cottages was at one time rented to the Hon. Eugene Hale, and was occupied by the late Hon. James G. Blaine in the summer of 1880, when he was a candidate for the Presidency.

On November 6, 1876, Mr. Ash was united in marriage with Rachel M. Welch, a native of Tremont. Mrs. Ash has been the mother of three children, namely: Olie M., born February 11, 1880; Ethel M., born July 6, 1886, who died November 25, 1890; and John Emmons, born August 22, 1890. In politics Mr. Ash is a Republican, and he cast his first

Presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln in 1864. In the Knights of Pythias he belongs to Uniform Rank. He attends the Congregational church.

NATHANIEL TRACY, a well-to-do farmer of Abbot, Piscataquis County, Me., was born in Rome, Kennebec County, this State, January 1, 1840. He is the only surviving son of Amos and Philena (Cummings) Tracy. Amos Tracy was born in Rome, and lived in that town for a number of years. During the past twenty-eight years he and his wife, who is a native of Mercer, Somerset County, Me., have resided in Abbot, and they are now with their son Nathaniel. They had a family of twelve children, five of whom are living; namely, Nathaniel, Eva N., Alfarretta, Delphina, and Sarah.

Nathaniel Tracy was educated in the public schools of Rome. He has devoted the years of his manhood to the pursuit of agriculture. In 1869 he purchased a tract of wild land in Abbot, on which he built a log house. Year by year he has improved his property, erecting a good dwelling-house, and developing his estate into one of the best farms in this locality. He has two hundred and forty acres of land. Mr. Tracy's main crop is hay, and he keeps from fifteen to twenty head of fine Jersey cattle. Ambitious and persevering, he has worked hard to better himself, and is now in the full enjoyment of the fruit of his labor.

Mr. Tracy was married at the age of twenty-

five to Hattie Walton. She died in 1888, leaving one son, Alfred J., born in Abbot, February 8, 1877. In 1897 Mr. Tracy contracted a second marriage, Miss Mabel Buzzell becoming his wife. In politics he is a Republican. On religious subjects his views are liberal.

HON. WILLIAM M. NASH, a merchant of Cherryfield, Washington County, and one of the leading lumber manufacturers of the Narraguagus River region, was born in Cherryfield, October 13, 1837, son of William Bingham and Triphena (Leighton) Nash. The grandfather, John Nash, who died at the age of fifty or sixty years, was one of the pioneer settlers of Columbia, where he spent the rest of his life occupied in farming. Of his five sons and two daughters who grew to maturity, none are living.

William Bingham Nash, born in Columbia on August 25, 1796, died March 26, 1875. He grew to manhood in his native town. In 1820, after his marriage, he came to Cherryfield, bought land, and engaged in farming. Later he carried on shoemaking and a tannery. During the latter part of his life he was engaged in ship-building. He was respected as a man of integrity and ability, and held numerous positions of public trust, including those of Town Treasurer and trustee of Cherryfield Academy. In politics he was successively a Whig and a Republican. While his religious creed was that of the Universalist church, he attended the Meth-

odist church in company with his wife, who was a member of the latter body. Born in Steuben, July 19, 1802, she died September 30, 1865. Of their nine children, eight grew to maturity — John, Henry L., Arthur R., Elizabeth M., Wilmot, George M., William M., and Ellery B. Of these, William M., the subject of this sketch, is the only one living.

William M. Nash grew to manhood in Cherryfield, receiving his education in the public schools of this town and the East Maine Seminary at Bucksport, which latter institution he attended for one term. His working life began as clerk in the store of J. W. Coffin in 1854. Eleven years later he was able to purchase a half-interest in the business, and in 1885 he became full proprietor. In 1890 his sons were admitted to partnership, and the firm has since been known as that of William M. Nash & Sons. Messrs. Nash have a large general merchandise store, and carry on an extensive trade. They also own large tracts of timber land, which supplies them with material for their lumber manufacturing business, in which they are most largely interested.

In 1862 Mr. Nash was married to Caroline Jewett Moore, a native of Cherryfield, whose father, James W. Moore, came here about the year 1834. She died in December, 1890, at the age of fifty-one years, leaving three sons — James W. M., Frank C., and William B. James and Frank are members of the firm of William M. Nash & Sons, and William is the proprietor of the Rockland *Daily Star*. James married Josie Bentley Crandon, of Columbia

Falls, Me., and has three children — Caroline M., Mary C., and John C.; and Frank, who married Josie M. Ricker, of Cherryfield, has also three children — Roger R., James Walker, and Frank W. William wedded Maud S. Smith, of Machias, and has no children. Although not connected by membership with any church organization, Mr. Nash, Sr., contributes to the support of and attends the Congregational church. In politics he is a Republican. He was a member of the House of Representatives at Augusta in 1889 and of the Senate in 1891. In 1892 he was one of the Presidential electors, and in 1896 he was a delegate to the Republican National Convention. He is a trustee of Cherryfield Academy and a director of the Washington County Railroad. Fraternally, he is a member of Narraguagus Lodge, No. 88, F & A. M.; of Dirigo Chapter, No. 39, of Cherryfield; of St. Elmo Commandery, No. 18, at Machias; and of the Maine Consistory at Portland. The Narraguagus district owes much to him as one of the most active and prominent men within its limits.

GEORGE W. McLAUGHLIN, an experienced and successful farmer and stock-raiser of Cornville township, Somerset County, was born October 3, 1829, at the homestead where he now resides. He is of the fifth generation of his family in this country, being a lineal descendant of John McLaughlin, first, who came from Ireland and settled at Bedford, N.H., in 1735.

The name of the wife of the immigrant ancestor is not known. He was a public-spirited citizen and the first Town Clerk of Bedford. His children were: John, Thomas, Isabella, Roxanna, and Mary. Thomas, the second son, served in two wars, being an Ensign in Canada in 1754, and a Lieutenant in 1775 at the battle of Bunker Hill, where on the retreat at Charlestown Neck he was knocked down by earth thrown up by a ball. He married Margaret Ayers, of Derry, N.H., and about 1803 removed to Maine, where he died, aged eighty-four years.

John McLaughlin, second, brother of Thomas and great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, married Jennet Taggart, and had the following named children: Isabella, James, Patrick, Martha, John, Mary, and Daniel.

James McLaughlin, son of John and Jennet and grandfather of George W., removed in 1790 from Bedford, N.H., to Madison, Me., where he redeemed a farm from the wooded wilderness. He married Rebecca Harvill, of Madison. Their children were: John, third, the father of George W.; James; Patrick and Joseph, twins; Thomas; Rebecca; Mary; and David P.

John McLaughlin, third, was born at the Madison home in 1794, and remained beneath the parental roof until his marriage. Coming then to Cornville, he bought wild land and proceeded to clear it for cultivation. Soon the ringing blows of his axe could be heard as one by one he felled the forest trees, and before a very long time had elapsed he had a field ready

for the plough. Continuing to labor with undiminished energy for many years, he succeeded in improving a good homestead property, on which he lived until quite an old man. His very last years he spent with his daughter in Garland, Me., where he died in July, 1873. His wife, Azubah Atwood, was born in Fairfield, Me., in October, 1791, and died in November, 1877. They had five children — Sarah, Atwood F., John, George W., and William. Sarah married Charles Redlon, a farmer of Garland, Me., and is now a widow. Atwood F., a dealer in lumber, married Sarah (Christie) Dyer, both now deceased. John, who married Mary Cayford, was for some years engaged as a farmer and surveyor at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., where his widow now lives. William is a practising physician in Harmony, Somerset County. He married first Mary Tibbetts, and after her death he married Mrs. Emma Longfellow.

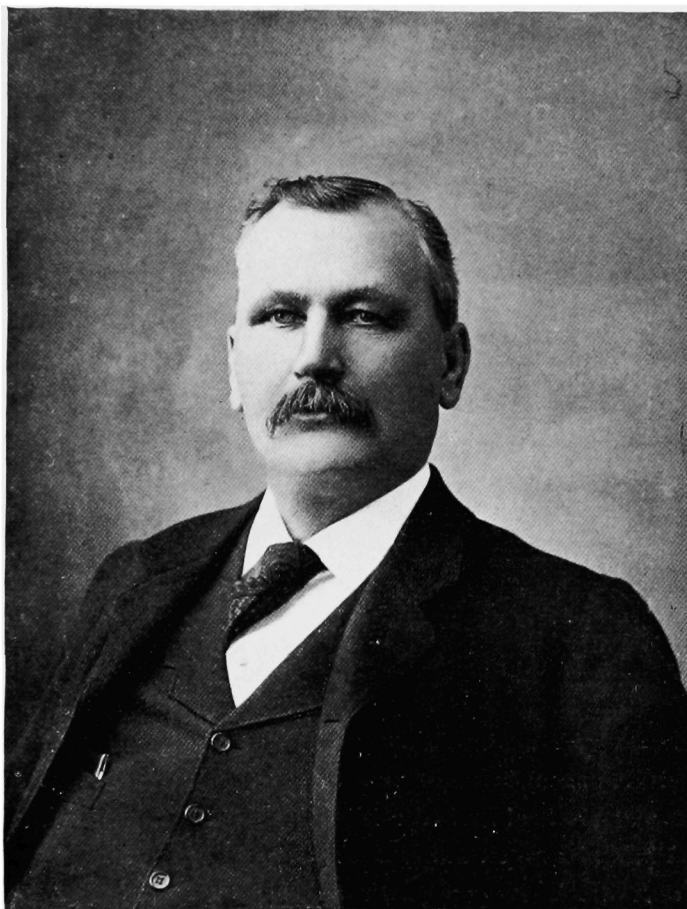
George W. McLaughlin, after completing his education at an academy, worked with his father at farming until March 28, 1853, when, succumbing to a very severe attack of gold fever, he sailed for the Australian gold fields, where he remained six months. The ensuing seven years he was in California, whither he went by way of South America, journeying through that country during the yellow fever epidemic that proved fatal to so many travelers and natives. While in California he worked at mining for a time, and was then employed in the manufacture of lumber. In 1861 he returned to Cornville, and, purchasing the old McLaughlin homestead, has since car-

ried on general farming, including the raising of horses of a good grade. His one hundred acres are well improved and well kept, giving evidence of industry and good management. Mr. McLaughlin has never sought public office. He does his duty at the polls, voting as his judgment dictates, having formerly supported the Republican party, but being now an adherent of the Democratic party. He is a member of Carrabassett Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 34, of Skowhegan, and likewise belongs to the grange at East Madison Mills.

On October 4, 1864, Mr. McLaughlin married Miss Eliza B. Glidden, who was born August 1, 1841, in Bingham, Me., a daughter of Hartley W. and Lydia (Smith) Glidden. Her father was born at Jefferson, Me., but carried on farming in Bingham a large part of his life. He died at Litchfield in March, 1888. Her mother was born at Bingham, and died in that town in 1855. Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin have but one child, Maurice Angier. He was born May 24, 1876, lives at home, and assists in the care of the farm.

WILLIAM DOBSON, senior member of the firm of Robert Dobson & Co., of Pittsfield, Me., manufacturers of woollen goods, and one of the best known and most highly respected citizens of Somerset County, was born in Galashiels, Scotland, on November 19, 1846, son of Robert and Janette (Wayness) Dobson. His parents were both natives of Galashiels, Scotland.

Robert Dobson came to America in 1856, a year before his family, having been previously employed as general manager for P. & R. Sanderson, of Galashiels, who operated one of the largest tweed mills in North Britain. Upon his arrival in America he was first employed in the Hodges Mill at Cherry Valley, four miles from Worcester, Mass., now owned by Olney Brothers, Richard Olney, late Secretary of State, being a member of the firm. Thence he went to Amesbury, Mass., where he was employed by the Salisbury Mills Corporation for three or four years. At the end of that time he was called to Peconic, Conn., a few miles from Bridgeport, to reorganize the company there engaged in manufacturing yarns and to start a new mill. Owing, however, to disagreement among the stockholders, these plans were not fully carried out; and at the end of a year Mr. Dobson went to Schaghticoke, N. Y., where he took charge of the mills then called the model mills of America. He subsequently acted as superintendent of the shawl-mills at Leeds, N. Y., owned by Hunt, Tillinghast & Co. In 1868 he came to Pittsfield, being attracted by what he believed to be a good location for a woollen-mill. After the matter had been thoroughly discussed with the citizens of the town, who were unanimously in favor of aiding in the building of a woollen-mill, it was voted that the town should contribute fifteen thousand dollars toward the enterprise and should exempt the plant from taxation for a period of ten years. The mill was accordingly built and the machinery set up; and upon its completion it was purchased



WILLIAM DOBSON.

by Robert Dobson, William Davis, of Lawrence, Mass., and William Dobson, a small sum of money being paid down and a mortgage being given to cover the balance of the amount. This was in 1869. The new firm was known as Dobson, Davis & Co. Mr. Davis remained as a member of the firm for about four years, and then sold out his interest to Gordon Dobson and Dennison Walker, the brother and brother-in-law of the subject of this sketch, the firm name being changed to that of Robert Dobson & Co.

With characteristic energy and with an intelligent conception of means and ends born of wide experience, Mr. Dobson set to work to build up a successful and vigorous business, to this end devoting his whole time, scarcely allowing himself proper hours for rest. It was his custom to rise very early in the morning, often at three o'clock, to look after the books and attend to the correspondence of the firm before the workmen began to arrive at the mill. When, finally, the big wheels began to revolve and all parts of the machinery were set in operation, he was on hand to oversee everything. Understanding thoroughly every detail of the business, he could determine at once whether or not work was being properly done, and could quickly detect any irregularity in the running of the machinery. The goods manufactured were therefore of superior grade, and up to the present time have borne that reputation in the market. From time to time the mill has been enlarged and new machinery added; and to-day it is a twelve-set mill, equipped throughout with the most im-

proved modern machinery and employing about two hundred and fifty workmen. The manufactured product is sold mostly in Boston, New York, St. Louis, and other large cities. Only one serious loss has been met with. That was in 1872, when a large lot of goods that had been manufactured for the Southern trade and were stored in a warehouse in Boston were destroyed by the great fire in that city. This loss was estimated at twenty thousand dollars. The two small fires that have since occurred did but little damage. The handsome and roomy office building at present occupied by the firm was completed in December, 1892, and is in every respect suitable and convenient for its purpose as well as elegant in its design and finish.

Robert Dobson and his wife had six children, two sons and four daughters. Only their sons, William and Gordon, are now living. Mrs. Dobson resides with the last named of these, who is unmarried. Her daughter Phœbe died at Lawrence, Mass.; Lizzie died shortly after the family removed to Pittsfield; Jennie married Dennison Walker; and Mary became the wife of Orlando Briggs. Mr. Walker, who became a member of the firm of Robert Dobson & Co. after the retirement of Mr. Davis, remained in it for about twelve years. At the end of that time he sold his interest to the other partners and built a four-set mill, known as the Maple Grove Woollen Mill, which he now owns and operates. Mr. and Mrs. Briggs had one child, Frank Briggs. He now lives with his grandmother, his father and mother having both passed away.

Mr. Robert Dobson was an admirer and personal friend of the late James G. Blaine. He was a man of fine literary tastes, familiar with ancient and modern history and keenly observant of current events. Although a loyal-hearted American, he cherished a warm feeling toward his native land. Indeed, love of Scotland was with him a passion, and a stranger visiting his beautiful home would at once see evidences of this fact: the thistle adorned the glass panels of the front door; pictures of Sir Walter Scott's monument, Edinburgh Castle, Glencoe, and Balmoral Castle were hung on the walls; and portraits of Burns and Scott, the memory of whom was especially dear to Mr. Dobson, and of Christopher North and other famous Scotsmen, were seen in different parts of the house. Mr. Robert Dobson's death, which took place at Young's Hotel, Boston, Mass., April 11, 1896, was deeply regretted, and called forth many tokens of respect and admiration not only from his own townspeople, but from prominent men throughout the State of Maine, and even from men of other States.

William Dobson, whose name appears at the head of this sketch, was educated in the common schools, and began his working life under his father's direction. He and his brother now hold a large interest in the new Waverly mill, which was built in 1892 for the manufacture of men's wear, and is one of the finest mills in the State, employing about one hundred and eighty hands. Their father took an active interest in the establishment of this mill, as he desired to see the water-power

utilized. The firm has also an interest in the Old Town woollen-mill.

In 1873 Mr. William Dobson married Laticna M. McMaster, daughter of Albion P. McMaster, president of the National Bank of Pittsfield and a prominent merchant of this town. Mr. and Mrs. William Dobson have two children: Hattie E., who married S. R. Haines, of Pittsfield, and is now assistant superintendent at the woollen-mills; and Mae McMaster, who resides with her parents. Mr. Dobson takes a warm interest in public affairs, and at one time represented Pittsfield in the State legislature, to which he was elected on the Republican ticket. He is affiliated by membership with Meridian Lodge, No. 125, F. & A. M.; Ira Berry Chapter, Pheltoma Lodge, I. O. O. F.; and the Encampment of Pittsfield.

Mr. Dobson sustains the credit of the good name bequeathed him by his father, and has proved that he is worthy in his own right to manage the great enterprises of which he is the head, and which furnish employment to and affect the happiness of a large number of his fellow-men.

AUGUSTUS TUPPER CLARKE,
M.D., Calais, was born in Canning,
N.S., June 16, 1849. The family
originally came from Norwich, England, went
to North Kingston, R.I., thence to Hartford,
Conn., and subsequently removed to Nova
Scotia.

John H. Clarke, father of the subject of this

sketch, was a merchant and ship-owner of Canning, N.S., and was for many years one of the prominent business men of that Province. He married Elizabeth Tupper, daughter of Augustus Tupper, of Kentville, N.S., and cousin of Sir Charles Tupper, the well-known Canadian statesman.

Augustus Tupper Clarke received his early education at Acacia Villa Seminary and at Mount Allison, N.B. Graduating from the Harvard Medical School in 1870, he entered upon the practice of medicine at Parrsboro, N.S., and continued there until 1888, when, after spending six months in visiting the hospitals of Boston and New York, he removed to Calais, where he has since been in active practice.

The Doctor is a member of the Canadian, the New Brunswick, and the Nova Scotia Medical Association. He is also a member of the Harvard Medical Alumni Association and the Washington County Medical Society, and is connected with Fellowship Lodge, I. O. O. F.; Ivanhoe Encampment; and the Patriarchs Militant of Calais.

Dr. Clarke married Hattie F. Ryerson, daughter of Simeon Ryerson, of Lubec, Me. They have three children — Sara R., Bessie B., and Helen Clarke.

MELVIN D. CHATTO, a prosperous merchant of South Brooksville, Hancock County, and a member of the Maine legislature, was born in Blue Hill, September 4, 1861, son of Eben C. and

Lavinia (Chatto) Chatto. The grandfather, Joshua Chatto, whose active life was spent in this county, followed the occupations of farmer and fisherman, and in his later years had a vessel engaged in the coast trade. The maiden name of his wife was Edna Closson.

Eben C. Chatto, a native of Deer Isle, Me., on reaching manhood engaged in trade. He kept a general store in Brooksville for twenty-five years and in East Surry for six years. In the spring of 1897 his store was destroyed by fire. He is now living in retirement in East Surry. In Brooksville he was Selectman for a number of terms and Moderator at town meetings for fourteen years. He and his wife, Lavinia, reared five children, namely: Eva, who is residing at home; Margaret E., residing in Buffalo, N.Y., whose first husband, Wendell Benson, of Chicago, died in Salt Lake City, and who then married the Rev. Adelbert L. Hudson; Etta, who married Elmer E. Billings, and resides in Brooksville; Fanny L., who married Ralph H. Condon, of this place; and Melvin D., the subject of this sketch.

Melvin D. Chatto pursued a preparatory course of study with a view of entering college. He did not go to college, however, but engaged in a mercantile business in South Brooksville, where he has been in trade for the past sixteen years. He is carrying on a thriving business with Ralph H. Condon as partner. The two men are also the proprietors of a granite quarry, the product of which is used quite extensively for street curbing, paving, and monumental work. They send their stone

to Boston, Fall River, and New York. Last year they shipped three hundred thousand blocks for pavement to New York.

Mr. Chatto married Georgia M. Gray, of Brooksville, and has one son, Harry. He has served with ability upon the School Committee and in the capacity of Moderator; and he was elected Representative to the legislature in September, 1896. In politics he is a Republican. His first Presidential vote was cast for James G. Blaine in 1884.

AMOS H. WALKER, of Greenville, Piscataquis County, the landlord of the Moosehead Inn, a beautiful hotel on Moosehead Lake, was born in Exeter, Me., November 2, 1840, son of Gideon and Louisa (Hardy) Walker. The grandfather, Elijah Walker, a New Hampshire man, was engaged in farming during the greater part of his life in Charleston, Me., and died in that town. He served in the War of 1812. Of his six children, Elijah, now residing in Nevada, is the only survivor. Gideon Walker, the eldest, was a native of the Granite State. He was engaged in farming until 1849, when he went to California. There he was engaged in mining and the real estate business, and died in 1865, aged sixty-nine or seventy. His wife, a native of Hampden, Me., died in Bucksport, this State, at the age of seventy. They reared four sons, namely: Amos H., the subject of this biography; Charles B., a sea captain, who was lost at sea; Frank, a sea captain, residing in Bucksport; and John G., a

travelling salesman for a Boston firm, residing in Portland.

Amos H. Walker acquired his education in the common schools of Hampden and Corinth. From 1861 to 1862 he was engaged in the stage-coach business between Bangor and Brownville. Then he was employed in the United States Arsenal at Washington for two years, and was present when Booth's body was brought into Washington. Afterward, returning to Bangor, he drove a stage for two years between Orono and the upper Stillwater. He was next engaged for a year at lumbering in the firm of Walker & Jewell, had charge of a livery stable in Bangor for five years, and was the manager of the Silver Lake Hotel at Katahdin Iron Works for the ensuing two years. Returning once more to Bangor, he was in the livery business there for about three years; and he was next employed at Dexter as agent for the stage line between Dexter and Moosehead Lake, having entire charge of the line for two years. Beginning in 1873, he had charge of the Eveleth House at Greenville for about twelve years, also conducting Cove House at Greenville Junction, which was afterward burned down, for one year of that period. In August, 1890, he took charge of the Moosehead Inn at Greenville Junction, which has since been under his able management. Started in 1888 and finished in 1890, the building is comparatively new. Beautifully situated on the shore of the lake, it is heated by steam and has all modern improvements, including a bath-room on every floor. The house affords accommodation for one hun-

dred and fifty guests, and the dining-room seats the same number. The chambers are airy and well lighted, the beds good, and the cuisine and table service first-class. There is a barber shop connected, also a livery, with from eighteen to twenty fine horses and different styles of carriages, including buckboards; and a steam yacht is kept on the lake for the use of the guests. Mr. Walker does a good business both in summer and winter. He is also one of the stockholders of the hotel property. The burning of Cove House in April, 1890, caused him severe loss.

On September 13, 1862, Mr. Walker was married to Mary E. Mosher, of Bradford, Me., who died November 3, 1894. He has no children. In politics he is a Republican. He belongs to Columbia Lodge, F. & A. M., of Greenville; and to New England Lodge, I. O. O. F., of the same place. In religious belief he is a Universalist.

NOEL BYRON NUTT, for more than forty years editor and proprietor of the Eastport *Sentinel*, was born in the town of Perry, Washington County, Me., June 11, 1824, and died at Eastport, Me., after a two months' illness, May 10, 1898. He was the eldest son of James and Sarah (Brown) Nutt and a grandson of William Nutt, who was an early settler in Lincoln County, this State.

Late in life Grandfather Nutt removed to the town of Harmony, Somerset County, and there he died at the age of ninety-three. He

was a farmer and shoemaker. He was twice married, and had eight children, namely: by his first wife five—William, James, John, Hannah, and Mahala; and by his second wife three—Samuel, Statira, and Lucy.

James Nutt, father of the late Noel B. Nutt, was born at Whitefield, Lincoln County, this State. Settling in Perry about 1820, he was there engaged in farming the rest of his active life. Prominent among the Whigs and Republicans of his district, he was elected to a number of public offices, including those of Deputy Sheriff and Tax Collector. He was a member of the Congregational church. James Nutt died at the age of eighty-seven. His wife, Mrs. Sarah Brown Nutt, was born in the town of Mount Vernon, Kennebec County, and died in Perry, at the age of seventy-six. They were the parents of nine children—Noel Byron, Sarah, Cynthia, Belinda, Jethro B., Laura A., Mary, Edwin, and Frederick Merton. The three survivors are: Jethro B., a trader and farmer of Perry and one of the commissioners of Washington County; Frederick Merton, a farmer of Perry; and Mary, the wife of Benjamin W. Coggins, a farmer and fisherman of Luebec, Me. Sarah married Dudley Currier, a leading farmer of Perry; Cynthia was the wife of Samuel Osborne; and Belinda A., the wife of Joseph Rich.

Noel B. Nutt, after obtaining his elementary education in the district schools in Perry, pursued more advanced studies one term at St. Albans Academy and one term at Washington Academy, East Machias, and at the age of sixteen began to teach, this being his

vocation for twenty-one years, till 1861. In 1848 he was first engaged as a teacher in Eastport. A few years later, in the fifties, he bought the Eastport *Sentinel*, which was established in 1818 by Benjamin Folsom. Mr. Nutt's connection with this paper as editor and proprietor lasted until his death, or more than forty years. In the latter part of his life, owing to other important business interests, he gave less of his personal attention to the management of the paper than formerly. He, however, always retained a liking for newspaper work. Under his ownership the *Sentinel* establishment, located when purchased in a small room on the third story of the Rice Building, grew from the primitive Franklin lever press, upon which he worked off the issue of four hundred copies, the outside on Saturday afternoons and the inside on Wednesday afternoons (on which days of the week there was only a half-day school), with its small outfit of printer's material, to a modern newspaper plant, with news and job presses of improved pattern and steam engine upon the premises to furnish power.

In 1887 Mr. Nutt was elected treasurer of the Eastport Savings Bank, and held that position until his death. In that period the business and deposits of the bank doubled in volume, it becoming the largest institution of the kind in the county. At the same time he was treasurer of the Eastport Water Company, treasurer of the Washington County Railroad Company, and carried on quite an extensive insurance business.

Mr. Nutt was a member of the Republican

party and a leader in its councils. He was special Deputy Collector of the Passamaquoddy district from 1861 to 1874 and Collector from 1874 to 1886. Before Eastport received her city charter he was chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and he was chairman of the School Committee here for a number of years. He was a charter member of Union Division, Sons of Temperance, organized at Perry in 1847, and was always a firm and consistent advocate of that reform. He was a member of Eastern Lodge, No. 7, of Eastport, of which he was secretary from 1861; and, a member of Eastern Royal Arch Chapter and St. Bernard Commandery, K. T., he served as High Priest three years and Commander ten years.

He was a constant attendant at the Unitarian church and for many years one of the Standing Committee of the parish and a teacher in the Sunday-school. While delighting in the discussion of theological questions, ably supporting his own views, he was "no bitter controversialist. He recognized the same right of private judgment in others that he claimed for himself, and maintained that the law of human kindness and brotherly regard should govern all thought of religion and measure all systems of faith. And this ideal he carried into the daily affairs of life. He was a friend to the friendless, a counsellor to the distressed, and a benefactor to all who needed the assistance and encouragement of their fellow-men.

"He seemed to know how, with wonderful tact and sound judgment, to heal differences

between his associates, reconcile quarrels, and settle disputes on principles alike just and honorable to all parties concerned; and in this quality of character there are many who remember him in gratitude and affection. In business affairs he was upright and honorable, in social life kind and courteous, in religious convictions stanch and true, in home life tender and affectionate, and everywhere a man whose manhood and integrity were acknowledged by all."

Mr. Nutt was married in 1845 to Harriet Downes Todd, who was born in Calais, Me., April 10, 1824, daughter of John N. Todd. He is survived by Mrs. Nutt and the following children: Frederick E., special Deputy Collector at Eastport; Noel B., who resides in Jamaica Plain, Mass.; Hattie L., widow of Henry B. Hunt, and Jessie E., unmarried, both residing with their mother; and Nellie S., wife of Wilbor A. Shea, of Eastport.

GRANVILLE CHASE, an enterprising merchant and manufacturer of Baring, Washington County, son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Gray) Chase, was born in Cutler, Me., November 4, 1851. His grandfather, Captain John Chase, who was born in Gilmanton, N.H., about the year 1796, was related to Captain Lane, who served under General Wolfe at the siege of Quebec. Through his paternal grandmother, Lydia Whitney, he is a descendant of General Greene of Revolutionary fame; while his maternal great-grandfather, whose name was

Jones, served in General Washington's body-guard. Captain John Chase served in the War of 1812. Shortly after leaving the army he settled in Frankfort, Me., later taking up new land in the town of Winterport. He was a blacksmith by trade, and followed it in connection with farming for the rest of his active period. His unusual strength and agility gained for him much local notoriety as an athlete. He held a Captain's commission in the State militia. His death occurred in Winterport in 1887, four years after his wife had passed away.

Daniel Chase, who was born in Frankfort, July 17, 1822, in early life taught school, and was for a time a Methodist preacher. Later he was engaged in blacksmith work and farming. The greater part of his life was spent in Wesley and Baring. He came to Baring in 1864, and died here, March 10, 1885. He served as County Commissioner, and he was Town Treasurer for twelve years. His reputation was that of an able business man and public official. In politics he was a Democrat. His wife, Elizabeth, who was born in Brighton, Me., September 15, 1824, became the mother of three children, namely: Granville, the subject of this sketch; Ellery, born in Wesley, April 14, 1855, who died at the age of six years; and Cyrus, born in Wesley, November 25, 1860, who is a prosperous farmer in Baring. The mother died July 24, 1884.

Granville Chase attended the common schools and the Milltown Academy, and completed his education with a course at

Gray's Commercial College in Portland. Afterward for six years he was employed in lumbering for George Lowell & Co., of Baring, and was book-keeper and confidential clerk for the firm of Todd, Polleys & Co., of Nova Scotia, for eight years. Going then to Cambridgeport, Mass., he was engaged in the manufacture of boxes for some time. From Cambridgeport he went to St. George, N.B., where he had charge of the lumbering operations conducted by Charles F. Todd & Son until 1890. Then he established himself in the box shoo industry in Baring, at the same time opening a general store. He employs about sixty men in the mills, besides a large force in the woods during the winter season cutting and hauling timber for use in his business. In 1897 he used three million five hundred thousand feet. He is also interested in a granite quarry in New Brunswick, which, though at present undeveloped, promises to be an excellent investment in the near future.

In 1876 Mr. Chase was joined in marriage with Caroline Polleys, a native of Baring, born May 5, 1853. Both her parents, John and Elizabeth (Pratt) Polleys, are deceased. Mrs. Chase has given birth to six children, namely: Edward, on March 16, 1877; Edith N., June 26, 1879; Clifford G., April 23, 1881; Florence P., October 29, 1883; Daniel, November 26, 1885; and Winnifred, April 1, 1896. In politics Mr. Chase is a Democrat, and has served with ability as Town Clerk and Supervisor of Schools. He was a candidate for the State legislature this fall (1898). He has passed the chair in Lodge No. 14,

F & A. M., at Upper Mills, N.B.; has also served as secretary, and at the present time is Director of Ceremonies. He is also connected with Frontier Lodge, No. 4, Knights of Pythias, of St. Stephens, N.B., and with the Uniform Rank.

JOHN HENRY DANE, a widely known sash and blind manufacturer of Skowhegan, Somerset County, was born in Anson, Me., November 21, 1842, son of John W. and Hannah (Allen) Dane. The grandfather, John W. Dane, taught school early in life, was later a minister, and still later a doctor. His wife, whose maiden name was White, became the mother of four children, three boys and one girl. John W. Dane, born in the part of Skowhegan known as Cold Brook, was reared upon a farm, and has followed farming for the greater part of his life. He is a Deacon of the Baptist church. His wife, Hannah, who was born in that part of Bloomfield, Me., now called Fairfield, has reared three children, all of whom are living. The father and mother are now eighty-five and eighty years of age respectively.

John Henry Dane was educated in the common schools of Anson, and assisted upon the home farm until he was twenty-one years old. He then learned the sash and blind business, and in 1864 went to Madison, where he was employed by J. S. Hardy for about one year. On April 26, 1865, he entered the employ of Steward & Williams, Skowhegan; and, after working as a journeyman for about four years,

he became associated in business with a Mr. White, under the firm name of White & Dane. After this partnership had lasted several years, Mr. White sold his interest to Mr. Avery Allen, an uncle of Mr. Dane, and the firm name was changed to Dane & Allen. In 1872 E. T. Allen, from California, another uncle, was admitted to the firm, which then became Dane, Allen & Co. Although Avery Allen died in the meantime, business was conducted under this style until 1889. Then E. T. Allen disposed of his interest to Mr. Dane, who has since carried on the business alone. The small building, in which the business was started, was abandoned for the present one, which was erected by Mr. Dane in 1869. His trade now extends over a wide territory, and he has a branch factory in Madison, Me., which he established in the fall of 1890. A Republican in politics, he cast his first Presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln in 1864.

The first of Mr. Dane's two marriages was contracted with Fannie Collins, of New Sharon. She died leaving one son, who now has charge of his father's factory in Madison. The second marriage was made with Miss Rena Churchill, of New Portland. By this union there are four children, three sons and one daughter, who are attending school. The mother is a grand-daughter of Daniel Churchill, who was born April 20, 1800, in Bingham, Somerset County, of English and Scotch parentage, and was the eldest of ten children. His father, a farmer, was born in Bloomfield; and his mother in Norridgewock, Me. Mr. Churchill was over six feet in height and

finely proportioned, with dark brown hair and hazel eyes. Two brothers named Churchill came from England in the reign of King Charles II., and settled in New Hampshire, where the city of Portsmouth now stands. Here Jabez Churchill, the great-grandfather of Daniel, was born. Though Daniel Churchill attended school for only two months, he was a man of wide information and strong convictions. Having made a close study of the Bible, he acquired an extensive knowledge of its contents, and at an early age became a Universalist, which faith he retained for the rest of his life. When he was a young man, it is told that, carrying his surplus clothes in a bundle, he walked through the then new country from Bingham to Bangor in search of work, which he obtained in Old Town. He was always a farmer, and for twenty-five years he was an extensively engaged lumberman in Maine and Canada. Straightforward, conscientious, and energetic in business, he was held in high esteem by all.

In 1827 Daniel Churchill married Caroline Baker, who was born October 8, 1811, daughter of Brown and Hannah Robinson Baker. Her father was born at Halifax, N.S., and her mother at Barnstable, Mass. Caroline Baker Churchill, a little under the average height, was straight as an arrow, and had brown hair and blue eyes. She was a handsome woman, with a very lovable disposition. Her chief aim was the comfort and happiness of her husband and children. She possessed a fair education, was a sweet singer, and endowed with remarkable intuitive perception.

All who knew her loved her for her many sterling qualities. Mr. and Mrs. Churchill first lived at a place situated a mile above the Forks of the Kennebec. There eight of their children were born; namely, Mary, Albert, Octavia, Abel, Julia A., Lewis, Dorcas F., and Daniel F. In 1842 they moved to Solon, where they lived fourteen years, becoming the parents of five other children — Warren, Warren (second), Mary C., Melvin, and Hannah E. They left their native State in 1856, and located in a beautiful spot in Waupaca County, Wisconsin, where the ensuing thirty-one years were passed. In 1887, after sixty years of happy wedded life, both passed away. At this writing eight of their children survive them.

HON. VIRGIL R. CONNOR, of Fairfield, Me., ex-Senator and a retired lumber dealer, was born in this town on January 10, 1847, son of William and Mary (Bryant) Connor. His grandfather, Simeon Connor, of Bowdoin, was four times married.

William Connor is remembered as one of the most enterprising and able of Fairfield's business men in his time. During his busy life he was engaged in many different enterprises, the greater number of which were successful. Born in Bowdoin, October 10, 1806, he came here at the age of twenty-one, and worked first as a lumberman on the river, becoming a master driver. Afterward he was engaged in lumbering on his own account, and

had in his employment General R. B. Shepherd, of Skowhegan, D. C. Hall, Randall Hall, Charles and Henry Fogg, and other men who became well and favorably known here. He subsequently operated a saw-mill, and did quite an extensive business. When the building of the railroad between Waterville and Fairfield was put up for bids, Mr. Connor secured the contract and later that for building the road between Newport and Dexter. These two roads were constructed under his direction and that of James Wall, his partner. Having always taken a keen interest in politics, he was at first a Whig. Then he joined the Republican party at its formation. In 1856, in company with James G. Blaine and Dr. Garcelon, he represented the Fourth District in the convention at Philadelphia that nominated Fremont for the Presidency. In 1836 he was in the legislature when Hannibal Hamlin was Speaker. He was State Senator in 1857-58, a capacity in which he proved most acceptable. In 1871 and 1872 he was Representative to the Maine State legislature. In his long business life having won general confidence, he was called upon to settle many estates. For many years he was the president of the Fairfield Savings Bank. He died on November 30, 1889. His wife, who was born in Waterville, a daughter of Squire Bryant, died on July 22, 1897. They celebrated their golden wedding on September 4, 1884. Both were members and active workers of the Universalist church. Their children were: Nancy, Ella B., Selden, Lindia A., Virgil R., Mary Elizabeth, Lucia H., Charles, and

Lydia H. Ella B. and Lydia H. are now deceased. Charles died young. Nancy, who married William A. Brooks, a dry-goods merchant, became the mother of four children—Kate C., Charles S., William Allen, and George. Charles S. is now deceased. William Allen married Helen Winchell, and is now a practising physician and surgeon in Boston. George Brooks is in business with his father. Selden Connor, who is now Pension Agent at Augusta, Me., married Henrietta W. Bailey, of Washington, D.C. They have had three children—Mabel, Rosamond, and a child that died in infancy. Lindia A., Mary Elizabeth, and Lucia H. Connor reside with Virgil R. Connor.

After attending the schools of his native town, Virgil R. Connor studied at Phillips Exeter Academy and the academies at Worcester, Mass., and Westbrook, Me., and graduated from Harvard College in the class of 1871. Early in life he became interested in lumbering and agriculture. His time since then has been chiefly given to these two industries in this region, including the management of the lumber-mills up to 1881, when he sold out. He now owns about one hundred and twenty-five acres of land, devoted to the raising of general produce. Having a considerable interest in the *Fairfield National Bank*, he is a director of that institution.

A public-spirited man, Mr. Connor has given considerable time to the public service. In 1872 and 1873 he was on the School Board, and in 1883 he was State Senator of Somerset County. He has always been an active Repub-

lican and taken great interest in all the plans and movements of his party. Mr. Connor and the ladies of his family are members of the Universalist church, and take a leading part in the varied activities of that society.

JONATHAN MOORE, M.D., who has practised his profession in Solon for more than forty years, was born in New Portland, this county, May 29, 1823, son of Daniel and Asenath (Smith) Moore. His paternal grandfather was one of the heroes of 1775 and 1776. The father, who was a veteran of the War of 1812, removed from New Hampshire to New Portland previous to his marriage, and was engaged in farming in the North village. He later moved to Lexington, Me., where he tilled the soil for a time. Eventually he returned to New Portland, and there passed his last days. He married Asenath Hutchins Smith, a native of New Portland and the widow of Samuel Smith. By her first union she had two children—Naomi and Samuel, both now deceased. Naomi married John Quint. Daniel and Asenath Moore had ten children, of whom one died in infancy. The others were: Daniel and Stephen, who are no longer living; Jonathan, the subject of this sketch; Betsey, who married Fred Hildreth, and died leaving one child; Thomas, a blacksmith and miner, residing in Grass Valley, Cal.; Fanny, the wife of William Johnson, who is the manager of a box factory in Boston; Ann, the wife of William

Williamson, of New Portland; Viola, the widow of Fred Hildreth, late of Milford, Mass.; and Lavinia, who married Daniel S. Bennett, a blacksmith in Madison, Me. The mother died in New Portland on June 22, 1883.

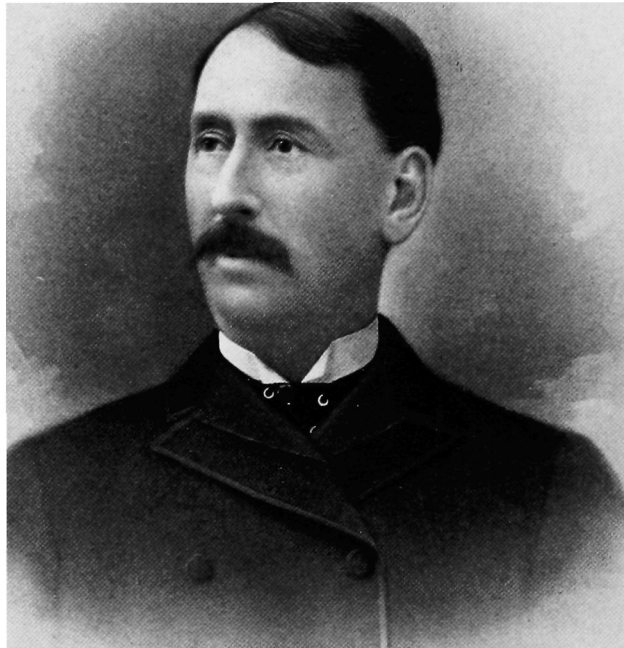
Having been reared and educated in his native town, Jonathan Moore for a number of years was engaged in operating a grist-mill. About the year 1850 he began the study of medicine. After attending a course of lectures at the Maine Medical School in Brunswick he continued his studies in Boston at the Massachusetts General Hospital, where he gained much valuable experience. Since then he has been in continuous practice in Solon. He attended a wide circuit until a short time since, when he decided to give up the long drives. Now office consultations occupy his attention exclusively. He has accumulated considerable property, including several farms, and deals quite extensively in real estate. On January 17, 1850, he was united in marriage with Ann E. Randlett, who was born in Solon, October 26, 1829, daughter of Greenleaf C. and Martha (Haley) Randlett, respectively natives of Lee and Epping, N.H. Mrs. Moore's father came to Solon after his marriage, and resided upon the Hunnewell farm for some years. Later in life he carried on a mercantile business in Hartland for some time; but he eventually returned to Solon, where he died June 12, 1882. His wife died August 5, 1876. Of their eight children, Harry, a prosperous farmer in Pittsfield, who married Nellie Fuller, is the only other survivor. The de-

ceased children were: Martha Jane, Havden, Samuel, Greenleaf, Elvira, and Almira.

Dr. and Mrs. Moore have had three children, namely: Charles A., born January 27, 1852, a former Postmaster, now a barber in Solon, who married Lottie Dore, of Athens, Me., and has two children — Lizzie and Chickey; Nellie, born December 28, 1854, the wife of Captain A. B. Chick, who is connected with the teaming department of the city of Boston, and is now stationed at Clark's Point in New Bedford on coast duty; and Mabel, born November 20, 1856, who died July 28, 1861. In politics Dr. Moore, who voted with the Republican party until 1896, is now a Democrat. A charter member of Keystone Lodge, F. & A. M., which he joined in Solon, he took the third degree in 1849, and is the oldest member now living. The lodge is now united with that of Solon, where the combined organizations have a fine hall. Both he and Mrs. Moore attend the Congregational church.

ISAAC PENNELL LONGFELLOW,*
High Sheriff of Washington County, who resides at Machias, was born in this town, July 26, 1845. A son of Samuel and Mary E. (Pennell) Longfellow, he is descended from William Longfellow, who was born in 1657. The line of descent comes from William through Nathan, Jonathan, and Nathan to Isaac, the grandfather of the subject of this sketch and an early settler of Machias.

Samuel Longfellow, who was born in Ma-



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chias, June 11, 1816, received his education in the public schools of this town. He became largely interested in the lumber business, and was a member of the firm of Gardner & Longfellow, lumber dealers. He also kept a general merchandise store for about forty years, being one of the first men in this section to engage in that line of business. Having retired some years before, he died on June 2, 1895. He was connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Both he and his wife, Mary, who was a daughter of Isaac Pennell, were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Of their four children, Alice, now deceased, and Isaac P., grew to maturity. Alice was the wife of William P. Burr, of Brewer, Me.

Isaac P. Longfellow began working as clerk in his father's store when only eight years of age. Later he was engaged in various occupations up to 1880, when he was appointed Deputy Sheriff. In this position he officiated until 1888, when he was elected High Sheriff, to which office he has been re-elected continuously since. He has been Overseer of the Poor for a number of years. A coal business started by him about ten years ago has been so well managed that he now disposes of between six and seven hundred tons of coal annually. Having married Addievilla, daughter of Isaac Wilder, of Cutler, Me., he has a son, Jacob Winslow Longfellow, now a student in Jefferson Medical College, class of 1899. A Mason of Harwood Lodge, No. 91, he belongs to Washington Chapter, St. Elmo Commandery, Deering Council, and Delta

Lodge of Perfection. He is also a member of Ben Hur Lodge, Knights of Pythias; and of Machias Lodge, American Order of United Workmen.

CHARLES C. BURRILL,* a prominent citizen of Ellsworth, Hancock County, was born July 15, 1839, in Corinna, Me., a son of Benjamin Burrill. He is of English ancestry, being a direct descendant of Thomas Burrill, one of the original settlers of Plymouth, Mass., and the progenitor of the Burrills that were prominent in the early history of Eastern Massachusetts, and were familiarly known as the "Royal Family" of the city of Lynn, which they founded. Benoni Burrill (first) spent his life in the old Bay State; but his son, Benoni (second), the grandfather of Charles C., removed to Maine when a young man, and became a pioneer of Somerset County.

Benjamin Burrill was born in Fairfield, Me.; and, though a small boy when his parents removed to Corinna, he can remember riding the entire distance on the seat of his mother's old loom. He was a farmer and carpenter throughout his active life, and was quite successful in his labors. Although he has performed much hard labor in his time, he is now, at the age of eighty-seven years, hale and hearty, and still feels that "life is worth living." When a young man he was deeply interested in military tactics, and at the age of twenty-three years became Captain of a body of State militia. He married Nancy

McClure, of New Hampshire, a near relative of the father of General Nelson A. Miles. Five children were born to them, as follows: Frances A., a resident of Corinna; Hiram, of Sangerville, Me.; Clara, of Corinna; Nancy, of Sangerville; and Charles C., the subject of this sketch.

Charles C. Burrill comes of Revolutionary stock, some of his ancestors on both the paternal and maternal sides having fought on the American side in the struggle for independence. After completing his studies at the Corinna Union Academy he worked as a millwright for about six years, and then established himself in business as an insurance agent in Ellsworth, locating here before its incorporation as a city. Since that time, 1865, he has become prominently identified with many of the leading financial, business, and fraternal organizations of the place, and in an official capacity has done much to promote their advancement and usefulness. In 1873 he founded the Hancock County Savings Bank, of which he has always been president; and at one time was also treasurer, and of which his son, who was not born at the time of its incorporation, is now a director. He was likewise the founder of the First National Bank of Bar Harbor, and is now a director of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Portland, Me. He is also president of the Ellsworth Dam Company; a director of the Ellsworth Water Company, of which, with ex-Governor Cleaves, he was one of the promoters; is a director of the Woodbine Cemetery Association, and has been its president

and treasurer; is a director and the president of the County Supply Company; is a director of the Ellsworth Maine Railway; and is treasurer of the Burrill Lumber Company, in which United States Senator Hale is a director.

In political circles Mr. Burrill has been very influential, and as a representative of the people in the highest offices within the gift of his fellow-citizens he has invariably been true to the interests of his constituents. He has been a member of the City Council, for four years was an Alderman, twice he represented Ellsworth in the State legislature, for four years was State Senator, and for the same length of time served as Quartermaster-general. As a Mason he has done much to advance the interests and secure the prosperity of the lodges with which he has been connected. For twenty-seven years he has been a Knight Templar. He is a Scottish Rite and thirty-second degree Mason; and is a member of the Mystic Shrine of Boston. He likewise belongs to the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston. A staunch Republican in politics, he cast his first Presidential vote in 1860 for Abraham Lincoln. Naturally liberal and progressive in his views, his mind has been broadened by his extensive travels, during which he has visited the principal places of interest in the United States, and also the leading cities and towns of Europe.

Mr. Burrill married Fanny Dutton Forsyth, a descendant of an old family of Ellsworth,

and they have three children, namely: Frank C., a practising lawyer of Hancock County, who was admitted to the bar at the age of twenty-one years; Sadie W., who studied five years at the Lasell Seminary, Auburndale, Mass., and also at Mrs. Chamberlain's private school in Boston, and was president of her class at graduation; and Charles R. Mr. Burrill attends the Congregational church, to which his family belongs.

THOMAS E. HALE, of Ellsworth, Hancock County, was born in this city, December 10, 1840, a son of the late John M. and Sarah (Little) Hale. The father, John M. Hale, was a native of Rutland, Vt., where he spent his earliest days. Coming thence to Hancock County, Maine, he settled in Castine, then the county-seat, and was a resident of the place when the British took possession of it. Early in the twenties, he moved to Ellsworth, and for some years was engaged in the stage and livery business, being under contract with the government. He subsequently established a dry-goods house, which he managed successfully until his retirement from active pursuits, which occurred but a short time prior to his death, at the venerable age of ninety-three years. He was active in local affairs, serving during the war as Selectman, and was for some time Collector of Customs for this port. He married Sarah Little, who was born in Castine, Me., in 1802. Of their fifteen children, twelve

grew to maturity, and the following named are now living: John M., Jr., James A., Thomas E., Charles F., and Mary S. James A. resides in the State of California; Charles F. is a resident of Lowell, Mass.; and Mary S. is now Mrs. Williams, of Newton.

Thomas E. Hale attended the Ellsworth district school and academy, and afterward took a course of study at Comer's Commercial College in Boston. Returning then to Ellsworth, he spent a year as clerk in a grocery store, where he obtained his first knowledge of mercantile pursuits. Subsequently forming a partnership with his father and brother, he opened a dry-goods store, and in the years that have since followed he has built up an extensive trade, and become one of the best known merchants of the city. Under President Harrison's administration Mr. Hale was Deputy Collector and Inspector of Customs for four years. He served at one time as Assessor, and for eight years was City Clerk. Fraternally, he is a valued member of the Masonic order, a member of Acadia Chapter, No. 31, R. A. M.; and of Blanguafort Commandery, No. 13. He is likewise a member of the New England Order of Protection. In 1864 he cast his first Presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln, and has since been an earnest worker in the Republican ranks.

Mr. Hale married Miss Sarah L. Nickels, of Cherryfield, Me. Three of their children grew to mature years, namely: Charles E., who is with Norcross Brothers, of Boston; Harry S., who died at the early age of twenty-three years; and Helen F.

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