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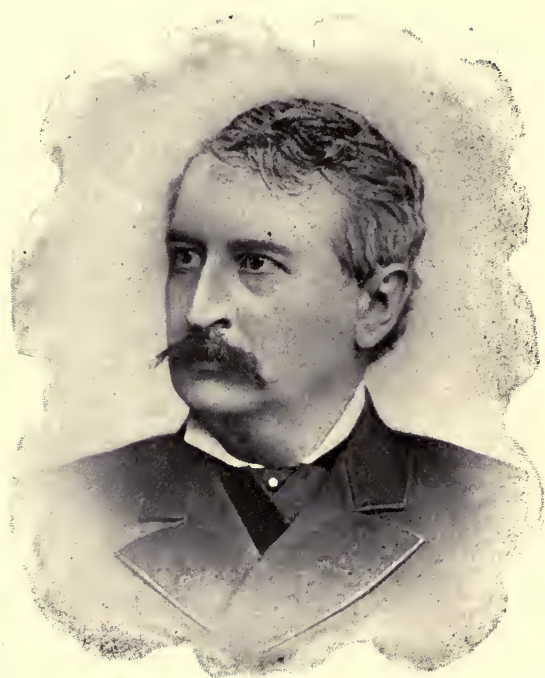
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THE EARLY PIONEERS.

A BOOK OF BIOGRAPHY for the Quincy of to-day, the story of the lives of the representative men of 1899, would be incomplete without suitable reference to the representative men of yesterday, those who contributed so largely towards making this city one of the most progressive and prosperous places in the entire country. Of those who have passed away many were eminent in the councils of the state and nation. Ford, Carlin and Wood were governors of Illinois; Young, Browning and Richardson served with distinction in the United States Senate; Morgan became a Major-General in the war of the rebellion; Singleton and Anderson were prominent in the House of Representatives. Of the early pioneers a most interesting book could be written. Ex-Gov. John Wood, the founder of Quincy, first visited this locality in the spring of 1821. In the fall of the following year he built a log cabin near the foot of Delaware street, the first house on the present site of the city. Major Jeremiah Rose, with his family, resided with him for some time. Willard Keyes, who came here in 1824, built the second cabin. There were also here previous to 1826, Judge Henry H. Snow, George W. Berrian, Earl Pierce, Daniel Lisle, Levi Wells, Levi Hadley, Joshua Streeter, Asher Anderson, Daniel Whipple, Peter Journey, Samuel Stone, Silas Brooks, Rufus Brown and Robert Tillson. Asher Anderson opened the first store in Quincy, in 1826, and Robert Tillson and Charles Holmes the second store, in 1828. D. G. Whitney, Richard S. Green and John W. McFadon were also among the earliest merchants, and John E. Jeffries built the first hotel, the old Land Office Hotel. Amzi C. Root and Timothy Rogers were among the early wagon makers; Adam Schmitt and Frederick W. Jansen the first cabinet makers; Anton Delabar the first brewer; Michael Mast and J. P. Bert the first merchant tailors. Of those who located here previous to 1834 were John McDade, Levi B. Allen, N. Pease, N. Summers, Charles Brown, Joseph N. Ralston, Archibald Williams, Harrison Dills, Francis C. Moore, Lorenzo Bull, James D. Morgan, Edward Wells, Henry Asbury, Joel Benton, William Dickhut, John L. Moore. Others who came in the earlier days were C. M. Pomroy, U. S. Penfield, Amos Green, John Wheeler, Thomas Jasper, James M. Pitman, James Adams, S. M. Bartlett, J. K. VanDoorn, H. V. Sullivan, Allen and Enoch Comstock, Henry Root, Charles A. Savage, John Byrd Young, Charles H. Bull, C. A. Warren, George Adams, R. S. Benneson, Thomas Pope, H. F. J. Ricker, E. K. Stone, James Arthur, B. I. Chatten, N. Bushnell, Thomas Redmond, Charles Maertz, Paul Konantz, A. C. Root, L. Kingman, Leonard Schmitt, S. P. Church, Wm. T. Taylor, Wm. Dickhut, James T. Baker, Dr. Michael Doway, Sylvester Thayer, Samuel Holmes, Ebenezer Moore, Enoch Conyers.

It was on the foundation laid by these men that this prosperous and beautiful city has been built. Nearly all of them have passed away, leaving honored names and a record of earnest effort faithfully performed. Some of them are still living to enjoy with the men of to-day the abundant harvest of their early planting. They have witnessed the gradual development of Quincy until it has become the metropolis of the central Mississippi Valley, and of the representative men of the Quincy of to-day none are more highly honored than the early pioneers.

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REPRESENTATIVE BUSINESS MEN.

In the active business life of Mr. Lorenzo Bull is embraced the history of Quincy almost from the beginning, reaching back as it does more than sixty-six years. With the early development of the city and with its growth and progress he has been closely identified, contributing very largely towards making Quincy one of the

stitutions, he is also one of the founders and most generous supporters. In term of years his active business experience exceeds that of any other resident of Quincy, and his unfailing judgment of men and events, his rare foresight and his comprehensive grasp of conditions and situations, have made him a recognized leader in



MR. LORENZO BULL.

most prosperous and progressive cities of the west. While he was one of the founders of the great banking business of which he was for nearly forty years the head, he is also one of the founders of the street railway and the water works systems, he was an important factor in the early railway developments of this section of the west, and has also been identified with other public and private business enterprises which have been of paramount importance to the city at large. At one time, about the year 1865, he was the president of five different business corporations. Of many of the essential charitable and philanthropic movements and in-

this community from the first. Mr. Bull was born in Hartford, Conn., March 21, 1819, and is a direct descendant of the Puritans, his ancestors on both sides having been of the party who, under the leadership of the Rev. Thomas Hooker, settled Hartford, Conn., in 1634. His educational advantages were limited, being confined to the district schools, but an excellent fund of general knowledge was crowded into his earlier years. When fourteen years of age he decided to come west, locating in Quincy May 11, 1833, the journey occupying more than a month. Dependent entirely on his own efforts for support, he secured a position in the office

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of Judge Henry H. Snow, who then held most of the county offices, being at one time recorder, clerk of the circuit court, clerk of the county commissioner's court, judge of probate, notary public and justice of the peace. On a salary of \$6 per month for the first year and \$10 per month the second year, the young clerk kept almost all of the records and prepared nearly all of the papers for these various offices. At the age of sixteen years he secured a situation in the general store of Holmes, Brown & Co., at that time the leading mercantile firm of this section, and he remained in this store through the various changes in ownership—S. & S. Holmes, Holmes & Co., Holmes & Wood—until 1844. It was then that he formed a partnership with his brother under the firm name of L. & C. H. Bull, a business title that has been continued for more than half a century. The new firm opened a store for the sale of hardware and crockery, succeeding to the former location of Holmes & Wood. In 1849 they built the building now occupied by Clark & Morgan, adding to their stock agricultural machinery and farming implements, then first being introduced. Quincy was for many years the market for a wide extent of territory on both sides of the river, and their store enjoyed a large and steadily increasing patronage. In 1861 they sold out their mercantile business to engage in banking, at the corner of Fifth and Maine streets. The stability of the banking house of L. & C. H. Bull was never questioned. Through periods of general business depression, panics and commercial revulsions that swept over the country from time to time, the business of this bank steadily increased under the wise and conservative management of Mr. Bull and his associate officers, until in 1893 it was reorganized under state charter as the State Savings, Loan and Trust Company, with a capital of \$300,000. Mr. Bull was the first president of the reorganized bank and continued in that office until the consolidation with the First National Bank last January, when he relinquished the cares of the position and withdrew from active business. Under his administration the present bank building, one of the finest in the entire West, was built, the assets of the bank had been increased to over \$3,000,000, and it had become one

of the leading banking houses of the country.

Mr. Bull was one of the founders of the street railway company and was the president for about twenty years. He is also one of the early proprietors and managers of the present water works system, conceded to be one of the best in the entire country, all of the water being filtered and chemically pure. The early railroad developments of this section of the state form a most interesting chapter of history, and with this important work Mr. Bull was actively identified. Under the internal improvement system inaugurated by the state in 1837, various lines of railroad were prescribed by the state legislature, among them the Northern Cross Railroad, extending from Quincy to Danville. Under this system the construction of several roads was commenced, but in the course of three or four years the system was abandoned as a failure, about \$14,000,000 having been expended, or lost, with not one mile of completed road to show for it. Then followed other failures, until in 1851, Mr. Bull, with Messrs. Nehemiah Bushnell, Hiram Rogers, James N. Pitman and Gen. Morgan, took hold of the Northern Cross as directors. The new board of directors soon found it more desirable to build a road towards Galesburg to connect with a railway extending from Galesburg to Chicago. They devoted themselves to this project for five years, and in the latter part of January, 1856, the line from Quincy to Galesburg was finished, the road from Galesburg to Chicago being completed in the meantime. Mr. Bull made the first trip ever made from Quincy to Chicago in twenty-four hours. Before the road was completed, pending negotiations required his presence in the east at a given time. He rode on a special engine to Hill's Grove, went from there to Galesburg in a buggy and from Galesburg to Chicago by train, making the required connection in Chicago for the east. Mr. Bull was one of the early trustees of Woodland Orphan Home. He was the first secretary of the public Library Association at its organization in 1840, and has been active in the Associated Charities, the Humane Society, and other practical and efficient organizations for the relief of the needy, and to them all he is a most generous contributor. His benefactions are bestowed in a most unostentatious manner, and the record of his broad charity will never be written.

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WILLIAM S. WARFIELD.

Mr. William S. Warfield, president of the State Savings, Loan and Trust Company, is prominent not only in banking and financial circles of the west, but also in the jobbing trade and manufacturing business as well. He is president of the Warfield Grocer Company of this city, and president of the Warfield-Pratt-Howell Company of Iowa, one of the strongest concerns in this line of business in the west,

electric street car systems to be found in any western city. He has been active in every railway project, in the movement for locating the Soldiers' Home here, in the Newcomb Hotel and Empire Theater companies, the building of the Public Library, in the maintenance of Blessing Hospital, Woodland Orphan Home and other worthy charities. Of his means and of his time and ability he has given liberally to innumer-



having a paid-up capital of \$500,000 and operating leading houses at Des Moines, Cedar Rapids and Sioux City. He is also president of the Wellman & Dwire Tobacco Company of St. Louis, and is actively interested in other important enterprises. Mr. Warfield is an eminent representative of the pushing, progressive business men of to-day, the successful men of affairs who conduct extensive undertakings, and no man in Quincy has done more than he to give this city the enviable reputation which it enjoys in the commercial and financial circles of the country. For a third of a century he has been identified with the progress of Quincy, during all of that time being one of the most active promoters of every important public movement. Ten years ago he gave to the city rapid transit, purchasing the street railway system, rebuilding and extending the lines and introducing one of the best managed and most thoroughly equipped

able enterprises for the improvement and betterment of Quincy.

[Mr. Warfield was born at Bridgeport, Ohio, his father, John Warfield, being an old resident of the Buckeye state and a most successful business man. When a young man the son first engaged in the wholesale grocery trade at Bridgeport, coming to Quincy in 1866 and establishing the business now conducted by the Warfield Grocer Company. He was president of the First National Bank for many years, and when it was consolidated with the State Savings, Loan and Trust Company he became president of that bank, the strongest financial institution in the state, outside of Chicago, its assets exceeding \$3,000,000. Public spirited, genial and approachable, Mr. Warfield is a man among men, and no citizen of Quincy enjoys the confidence and respect of the community in higher degree.

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ROBERT W. GARDNER.

Mr. Gardner was the youngest son of James Gardner, Esq., of Edinburgh, Scotland, who during his life filled many important positions in the English government and was the associate of many of the scientific men of his time, including such eminent men as Robert Stevenson, Col. Cubit, Sir Roderic Murchison, and also Lieut. Maury of this country. He had charge of the first complete trigonometrical survey of Great Britain, and later was agent of the ordnance

ematics, was dated May 13, 1849, and now, fifty years after, will be read with interest:

Edinburgh, May 13, 1849.—I hereby certify that Mr. Robert Gardner attended my mathematical classes from May, 1847, to August, 1848, during which period he prosecuted his studies very diligently and successfully. He is well acquainted with the elements of geometry and algebra and with their more important application to mensuration, surveying and engineering. His abilities as draughtsman are of the highest



department of the government, with headquarters in the Tower of London. He was also employed on scientific work by the French government during the reign of Louis XVII., and was one of the great scientists of the day.

Mr. R. W. Gardner was born in London, Feb. 18, 1832, but at a very early age was taken to Scotland, where he received his education, spending the last two years attending classes at the University of Edinburgh, and during this time was also a student at the Royal School of Design. In 1849, being disappointed in receiving an expected appointment, he came to this country, and taking advice to go west, settled near Rushville, where he spent some time teaching a country school. He went back to Scotland in 1851, but changes had taken place and he soon returned. When he first left Edinburgh he came with but little money and one recommendation. It was from the professor of math-

order, and consequently his plans of surveys are executed with great accuracy and elegance. It is also consistent with my knowledge that he has shown promise of becoming an able landscape painter, from the specimen I have seen in the exhibition of paintings in the Royal Institute here. He, therefore, in my opinion, cannot fail to be successful in any profession where a knowledge of such branches of a finished education are required. I can only add that I had every reason to be fully satisfied with his general good conduct while he was under my tuition, and to wish him that success in the world to which his abilities justly entitle him.

WILLIAM GALBRAITH, M. A., F. R. A. S.,
Teacher of Mathematics, etc.

On Sept. 1, 1852, Mr. Gardner came to Quincy, but could find no position either as draughtsman or teacher of art, and being compelled to do something, apprenticed himself to Mr. Edward G. Turner in order to learn the practical side of mechanics, Mr. Turner having a small machine shop on Sixth street, between Maine and Hamp-

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shire streets. In 1854 he secured an excellent position with an engine-building firm in Alton, but soon returned to Quincy and with Mr. Henry Mitchell purchased the Turner shops. After the death of Mr. Mitchell he was associated with Mr. John Robertson and in time acquired the entire interest in the business. During the year 1859 Mr. Gardner's attention was given especially to improving the governor of the steam engine, taking out his first patent Aug. 14, 1860. In 1883 the Gardner Governor Company was incorporated, and since the year 1870 the manufacture of steam engine governors has been conducted as a specialty. A complete record of every governor sold, with full details of particulars, has been kept, the number up to the beginning of the present year reaching nearly 140,000. These governors have been introduced and sold in nearly every country in the world, and can be found in South Africa, Japan, Australia, Island of Madagascar and other remote places. Stocks of governors are carried by agencies in London, Berlin, Brussels, Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Antwerp and other European cities. The works of the Gardner Governor Company are the largest special gov-

ernor works in the world at the present time. The invention and perfection of this governor has placed Mr. Gardner in the front rank of American inventors. He has been accorded merited recognition by leading mechanical societies of this country and Europe and is as widely known abroad as in his own country. The delicate and intricate governing mechanism for the great Yerkes' telescope was designed by Mr. Gardner, and in many other directions has his inventive genius and mechanical skill been demonstrated.

While Mr. Gardner has given very close attention to his business, he has interested himself in several charitable organizations of the city. He is president of Blessing Hospital, a trustee of Woodland Orphan Home and the Associated Charities, and was also interested in establishing the Free Public Library. In these institutions he has been an active and most efficient worker and one of the most liberal supporters. In Sunday-school work he is widely known and has been superintendent of the Vermont Street Baptist Sunday-school for thirty-five years. The influence of his active, useful, helpful life is all for good.



JOHN M. LEWIS.

Active and energetic in business affairs, enterprising and progressive in everything that tends to promote the well-being of the city, frank and outspoken at all times, Mr. John M. Lewis is a fair type of the successful business men of Quincy. While he attends strictly to the large and important business of the jobbing house with which he is identified, he ranks as one of Quincy's public-spirited citizens, always ready to contribute his full share in every movement for the public good. Mr. Lewis comes of Virginia stock, but was born in Indiana, his father having been a resident of that state for many years. In early life he represented an Indianapolis house on the road and afterwards engaged in merchandising. He came to this city in 1882 and three years later, with Mr. L. B. Bartlett, established the Quincy Casket Company, of which he has since been the manager. The business of this house has been extended to all the territory tributary to Quincy and it now takes prominent rank in the trade.



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RICHARD F. NEWCOMB.

In the broadest sense Mr. R. F. Newcomb, president of the American Straw Board Company, is one of Quincy's representative men. For more than twenty-five years he has been prominently identified with every important public enterprise, and his keen judgment, unusual energy and broad public spirit have contributed largely towards the material advancement of the city. In addition to establishing and developing one of the leading industries

gaged in the saw mill business and in farming. When the second call for volunteers was made during the early part of the war, he enlisted as sergeant of Company A, Fifty-second Massachusetts Infantry, Sept. 9, 1862. His first service was with Banks' expedition, his regiment being the first to march into Port Hudson after the surrender. For some months he served on the brigade staff, having charge of the ordnance supplies and later of the entire medical stores.



of Quincy, a business that attained national importance and of which he has become the executive head, he has been a leading factor in many enterprises of greatest importance to the city at large. Among the active, aggressive and successful business men of the west, the men of affairs who deal with large interests, Mr. Newcomb occupies a prominent place and is widely known. Born at Bernardston, Mass., Sept. 20, 1837, he was fitted for college at Williston Seminary, but his natural aptitude for commercial affairs induced him to accept a position in a hardware house in Boston when he was sixteen years old, where he remained for three or four years. He then returned to his native town to take charge of his father's mercantile business, his father being also en-

gaged in the service he conducted his father's store for a time, and in August, 1866, located at Beloit, Wis., where he engaged in the paper-making business. The year following the Northwest Paper Company was organized, Mr. Newcomb being the vice-president, and an extensive wholesale paper house was established in Chicago. With their mill at Beloit and their house in Chicago this was one of the leading concerns in the paper trade of the west. The company was burned out in the great Chicago fire of 1871, and with his brother Mr. Newcomb came to Quincy and bought the paper mill here, starting it up in April, 1872, under the firm name of Newcomb Bros. Two years later he sold his interest in the Northwest Paper Company to his brother and became the sole owner

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of the Quincy plant, which he conducted with signal success. In 1880 the Quincy Paper Company was organized, with Mr. Newcomb as the head, and the business was increased until the plant has become the second largest straw-board mill in the country. In 1889 it was absorbed by the American Straw Board Company. Of this extensive organization Mr. Newcomb has been one of the controlling powers from the first, and for the past two years he has held the office of president. The development of this important industry to its present immense proportions is due very largely to his rare foresight and his unusual executive and business ability. One of the first to appreciate the possibilities of this branch of business, he has become the important factor in the management of many mills throughout the country, and he is as well known in all the commercial and financial centers as he is here at home. In

every community it is the busy men who must inaugurate and promote all public affairs, and in Quincy Mr. Newcomb has been among the first and most active in many enterprises. Public spirited and progressive in everything, Quincy owes much to him for its material advancement.

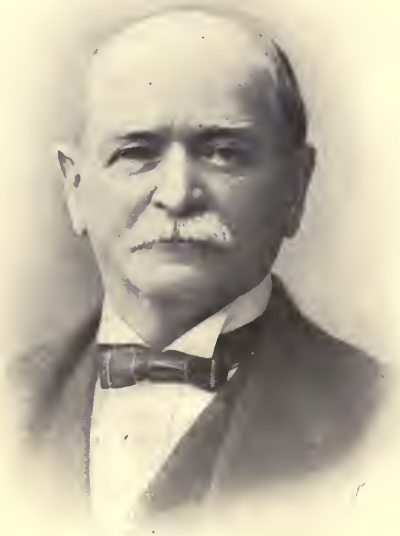
Mr. Newcomb was married May 2, 1860, to Miss Eliza A. Bowman, of Flushing, L. I., at St. Paul's Church, New York City. His wife died four years later, leaving one daughter, Mrs. Joseph W. Emery. Sept. 22, 1869, he married Miss Anna M. Ritchie, of Beloit, Wis., and they have three daughters and one son, Mrs. John A. Stillwell, Mrs. Frank H. Whitney, Miss Florence and Richard Bernard Newcomb, now fitting himself for a collegiate course. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Newcomb, on East Maine street, is one of the notable residences of this section of the state.



ALDO SOMMER.

For more than forty years Mr. Aldo Sommer has been prominently identified with the drug trade of Quincy, and he is one of the pioneers of the jobbing business in that important line. Coming to this country in 1849, he located in this city in 1857 and became a member of the drug firm of F. Flachs & Co. In 1860 he succeeded to the entire business. Four years later Mr. William Metz became associated with him, and the firm of Sommer & Metz opened an extensive wholesale and retail drug house. In 1869 he retired from business to travel with his family in this country and Europe, and he returned in 1873 to embark in the wholesale drug business exclusively. The firm of Sommer, Lynds & Co., of which Mr. Sommer was president and treasurer, existed from 1875 to 1894, when their entire stock was lost by water on account of a fire in the adjoining building. Mr. Sommer was at that time largely interested in the Van Natta-Lynds Drug Co. of St. Joseph, and president of the Spokane Drug Co., Spokane, Wash. The Aldo Sommer Drug Co. succeeded to the business in Quincy, with Mr. Sommer as chief. Although fifty years in the drug business, he is active and enjoys it more than ever, trying to please the many friends and customers. In 1862, with Mr. Hargis, he

established the Star Nursery, and for over twenty-five years conducted one of the leading



nurseries of this section in addition to his drug business. A man of broad culture and high attainments, he is one of Quincy's best citizens.

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CHARLES H. BULL.

Like his brother, Mr. Charles H. Bull came here in an early day and has spent his entire active business life in Quincy. When fourteen years of age he left his home in Hartford, Conn., to seek his fortune in the west, joining Mr. Lorenzo Bull in this city in 1837. For seven years he was employed in the store of Mr. J. T. Holmes, his salary the first year being \$100, with an advance of \$50 each succeeding year. While the salary was small it was sufficient to

agement of the organization of the company and of the work of construction devolved very largely on him, and he was afterwards for many years the president of the company. Out of this enterprise has been developed an important railway system, extending from Quincy to Kansas City, St. Joseph, Omaha and south to the Gulf. The history of the Quincy, Missouri & Pacific Railway would fill a book and would prove highly interesting reading. Soon after



enable him to thoroughly establish himself among the early pioneers of the rapidly developing west and to lay the foundation for the extensive and important undertakings of later years. In 1844 the firm of L. & C. H. Bull was established, a business title which was continued for more than half a century and which became as widely and favorably known as any firm name in the entire west. First in mercantile trade and then for nearly forty years in the banking business, it was a title that stood for sterling worth and absolute stability. When the State Savings, Loan and Trust Company succeeded to the business of this firm, Mr. Bull became first vice-president, an office which he still holds, and he is still one of the active managers of this great banking concern. One of the most important enterprises with which Mr. Bull has been identified aside from his banking business is the Quincy, Missouri & Pacific Railway. He was one of the projectors of this undertaking in June, 1869, and was the first treasurer and financial agent as well as a member of the first board of directors. The active financial man-

the active work of construction was commenced a period of universal business depression set in, and but for the wise foresight and constant, careful business management of Mr. Bull and his associates the enterprise could not have succeeded. Eventually this road will become an important link in the shortest and most direct east and west line across the continent, a consummation towards which Mr. Bull is still actively working and which will prove of paramount importance to the city.

From the earlier days Mr. Bull has been active in worthy public enterprises calculated to advance the welfare of his home city. He is president of the Public Library Association, to which he devotes much time and attention. He is also president of the Graceland Cemetery Association, treasurer and trustee of the Anna Brown Home for the Aged, a director of the Associated Charities, and a generous contributor to every worthy cause. Few men have done more for Quincy, and still in the prime of life, Mr. Bull has many useful and helpful years before him.

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CHAUNCEY H. CASTLE.

Mr. Castle, president of the Comstock-Castle Stove Company, is one of the most prominent and widely known stove manufacturers of the country. The business of which he is the head was established in 1849 by Allen and Enoch Comstock, and is one of the oldest as well as one of the largest stove-making plants in the west. Mr. Castle was born in Columbus, Ill., July 10, 1843. His father, the late Timothy Castle, was one of the pioneer residents of the

in the stove foundry, and in 1865 he went into the office as shipping clerk, to become a partner in the business three years later. In 1880 the present company was incorporated. In all matters of public enterprise Mr. Castle is universally regarded as a thoroughly representative business man. He is president of the Stove Founders' National Defense Association, a director in the American Straw Board Company, and since 1892 has served as aid-de-camp on the



county, coming here from Wilmington, Vt., in 1835. He was a man of affairs, and up to the time of his death in 1880 was an important factor in the progress and development of the city. Coming to Quincy with his parents in 1858, Mr. C. H. Castle attended the public schools and soon after the breaking out of the war left Quincy College to go into the army, enlisting as a private in Company I, Seventy-third Illinois Volunteer Infantry. Though but eighteen years of age he was a brave soldier and soon gained the rank of acting sergeant-major. His regiment participated in many of the notable battles of the early part of the war, and he was repeatedly wounded, his military career being finally terminated at the terrible fight at Chickamauga, where he was shot five times—in both legs, both arms and the hand. In 1893 his father had purchased a large interest

staff of each of the National Commanders of the Grand Army of the Republic. At home Mr. Castle is interested in many important enterprises. He is a director in the State Savings, Loan and Trust Company, the Newcomb Hotel Company, Graceland Cemetery Association, the Quincy Freight Bureau, the Chamber of Commerce, president of the Mulliner Box and Planing Company and was for some time president of the Quincy Commercial Club. His zeal for the public welfare is proverbial. He was chairman of the committee that was so largely instrumental in hastening the extensive C., B. & Q. improvements now in progress here, and the heavy purchases of property necessary to these improvements were made under his personal direction. For all worthy objects Mr. Castle is a liberal contributor, and his name is strongly stamped in the progressive history of Quincy.

HENRY A. WILLIAMSON.

Mr. H. A. Williamson was the pioneer in establishing the extensive oil business in the west, and in the development of this great industry he has been a most important factor. Born at Freeport, Pa., Sept. 7, 1828, his early business interests were largely in Western Pennsylvania. In 1859 he decided to seek a location in the west, and in 1860 established



his present oil business in this city. He was the general western agent for large oil refiners in Pennsylvania and for some years supplied all of the oil used as far west as the Missouri river, his trade including Kansas City, St. Joseph, Denver and other important cities. At that time oil was made from coal. Later when oil wells were discovered and oil was refined from petroleum, the material reduction in prices and the wonderful increase in the supply

brought about an immense increase in the business. With this increase Mr. Williamson's facilities have kept steady pace, and he is to-day one of the leading dealers of the country in this important industry. For supplying the local trade he has established an extensive depot and warehouse south of the city, with large storage tanks where the oil is received direct from the tank cars. Storage stations have also been established at all important points in his territory, nearly all of the oil being shipped in tank cars direct from the refineries to points of distribution and consumption. This very important as well as very extensive business is wonderfully systematized, and dealers are supplied on an hour's notice. Mr. Williamson also handles nearly all the salt used in this section.

For many years Mr. Williamson was vice-president of the First National Bank, and when that institution was consolidated with the State Savings, Loan and Trust Company he became one of the directors of the latter bank. He has been president of the Quincy Building and Loan Association ever since its organization, with the exception of one year, and has been an important factor in the development of the important building association interest in this city. The institution of which he is president was the first established here and will soon celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary. He is also president of the Arrowrock Mining and Milling Company, a director of the Newcomb Hotel Company, and a director of the Aldo Sommer Drug Company. For many years Mr. Williamson has been actively identified with the Episcopal Church. He was largely instrumental in the division of the diocese of Illinois and the creation of the diocese of Quincy in 1877. Since the organization of the Quincy diocese he has been a member of the standing committee, the executive power of the diocese, and he has been a delegate to each of the general conventions. He is also senior warden of St. John's Cathedral. In all public movements he is one of Quincy's most progressive citizens, and he is a generous contributor to all worthy charities.

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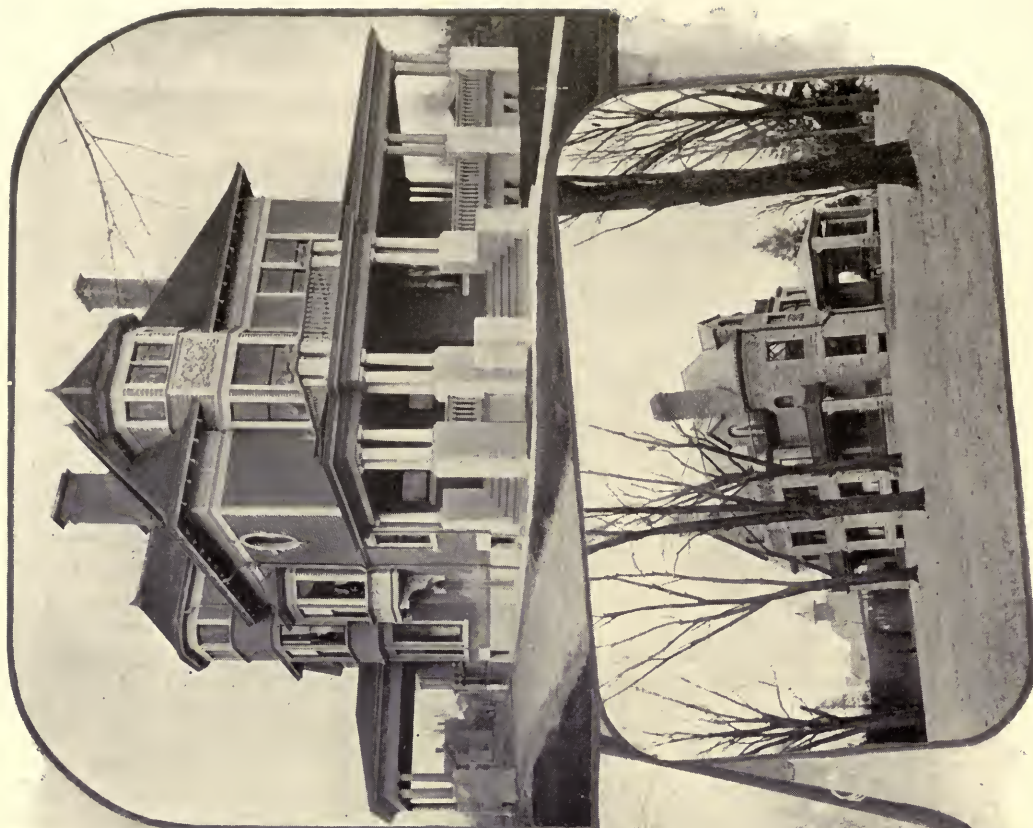
HENRY F. J. RICKER.

So long as Quincy stands the name of Mr. H. F. J. Ricker will be honored in this community. Mr. Ricker occupies a position peculiarly his own. His long and active life has been devoted largely to improving the city of his choice. While he has accumulated property, probably more largely than any other citizen, he has improved it, dotting waste places with substantial homes, business blocks and factories. He has bought property which had no attractions for a less far-seeing man and has created desirable residence localities. But for him the progress of improvements would have been very much slower, and not for many years to come would Quincy be as attractive as it is to-day. While he has done this, Mr. Ricker has founded and built up one of the greatest banking institutions in the west, an institution with resources of over \$3,000,000, and has made for himself a name among the leading financiers of the country. All of this he has accomplished from a very humble beginning. Mr. Ricker was born in Germany in 1822 and emigrated to America with his parents in 1839, landing first at New Orleans. Then he came up the river to St. Louis, and on March 4, 1840, located in Quincy. His first employment was with the late Gov. Wood as an ordinary laborer, thus assisting his father in paying for two lots purchased from his employer. He was afterwards employed as a clerk for S. & W. B. Thayer, Charles Holmes and Albert Daneke, and in 1849 associated himself in the mercantile business with Leopold Arntzen. For seven years this business was very successful and was afterwards supplemented with the produce business. In 1858 Mr. Ricker was elected police magistrate and was re-elected in 1862. It was at this time that he laid the foundation for his present extensive bank. Commanding the confidence of the community to the highest degree, he began the banking and exchange business in a small way, but it prospered steadily, and in 1865 he bought out the banking house of John Wood & Co., on Fifth and Maine streets. Soon after, Mr. Bernard H. F. Hoene became a partner in the business and the bank was located on Hampshire street, between Fifth and Sixth.

Later the Ricker National Bank was organized, of which Mr. Ricker is the president and the leading stockholder, and the present substantial banking house was built. Mr. Ricker was one of the organizers of the German Insurance and Savings Institution, one of the promoters and leading stockholders of the Quincy, Missouri &



Pacific Railway, a director in the Gas and Electric Light companies, and is now treasurer of the Menke & Grimm Planing Mill Company. He has never sought public position, but in 1884 was the unanimous choice of his party for state treasurer, a compliment which came to him entirely unsolicited. A resident of Quincy for nearly sixty years, Mr. Ricker's life has been a very active one. He is still in active life, giving his attention to his extensive banking and other interests, an honored and universally respected citizen.



WILLIAM C. FICK.
WILLIAM S. WARFIELD.



GEORGE H. STAHL.
RICHARD F. NEWCOMB.

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GORHAM J. COTTRELL.

Of solid physique, genial and approachable, yet firm and positive in his judgment, unflinching in courage to meet any emergency, Mr. Gorham J. Cottrell is a prominent type of the representative and successful business man. Having made his own way in the world, he is dominated by independence and self-reliance, yet is charitable and generous to the less fortunate and the needy. Mr. Cottrell was born on a farm in Chautauqua County, New York,

owner concluding that as the range had been cut off he would go farther west. There was no railroad there at that time, but Macomb was a prosperous and thriving place. Mr. Cottrell knew very little about the hardware business, but he was an unusually good salesman, put in a big stock of goods, including the first full car load of stoves ever shipped to the town, and went to work to sell them. His competitor in business wanted to know what he was doing



near Chautauqua Lake, his boyhood being spent on the farm and in attending the district school. He also enjoyed the advantages of a thorough academic education. When seventeen years of age he secured a position in a general store at Mayville, a beautiful village at the head of the lake, working the first year for \$5 a month. This position he retained for nearly four years, applying himself closely and securing a thorough knowledge of general merchandising. He then obtained a better position at Fredonia, N. Y., and after clerking two years, at the age of twenty-two, became a partner in the store. The new firm was successful from the start and after continuing the business for three years he decided to come west, stopping first at Aurora, but locating at Macomb in 1856, with a fair amount of capital. He bought out an old-established hardware business, the former

with so many stoves, predicting that he would never find customers for them all. In two weeks they were practically all sold, and an order was placed for another large shipment. He remained in Macomb ten years, doing a very profitable business, and in 1866 came to Quincy, buying out the hardware business of Joslyn & Co. Since that time he has met with continued and uninterrupted success. In 1879 he built his present extensive hardware house, one of the finest stone-front business blocks in the city. Mr. Cottrell is president of the Cottrell Hardware Company, the Cottrell-Sholl Furniture Co. and the Newcomb Hotel Company. His property interests are large and he is also interested in other important business enterprises. Of late years he has devoted considerable time to travel, in this country and abroad.

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THOMAS POPE.

After a long and active business life, dating back more than sixty years, Mr. Thomas Pope is enjoying well-earned rest and recreation, surrounded by his books, and loved and venerated by the entire community. He is one of Quincy's pioneers, sharing in the toil and privations of the early days, and throughout his active and helpful life he has contributed his full share in the development of the city. Mr. Pope was born in New York City, July 20, 1820, and re-

erected in Quincy. This being the time of a serious famine in Ireland, they had a prosperous business, the demand for American breadstuffs being active. The business with Mr. Penfield continued until Mr. Pope left for Oregon in 1853.

In 1843 Mr. Pope was married to Mrs. Lucinda Burns Borein, Mrs. Borein then having one child, P. R. Borein. Two sons were the fruit of this union, Charles Abernethy and Thomas Edward. Charles gave his life for his country



ceived his early education in the public schools of that city. His father, Charles Pope, moved with most of his family from New York to Quincy in 1837, the journey occupying thirty days. After five years' residence his father and mother returned to their old home, two sons and a married daughter remaining here. Mr. Thomas Pope acted as clerk in stores, first in Payson and afterwards in Quincy. In 1844 he started a general store on the north side of Hampshire street, west of Fourth. A few years later he conducted a general store with the late U. S. Penfield, on the north side of Hampshire street, just east of Fourth, the firm name being Pope & Co. At the same time the firm of Pope, Whyers & Hazard owned and conducted the old steam flouring mill on Front street, near Delaware, this being the first mill of the kind

in the civil war. Thomas Edward Pope and Peter R. Borein have long been residents of Oakland, Cal. With the exception of five years spent in Oregon—1853 to 1858—the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Pope has been continuously in Quincy. They celebrated their golden wedding with their children and grandchildren in Oakland, Cal., May 11, 1893.

Soon after the return from Oregon, Mr. Pope started a grocery and produce business on Front street. In 1861 the firm of Pope & Baldwin was formed, and a prosperous business in agricultural implements conducted for over a quarter of a century, up to the time of the death of Mr. E. G. Baldwin. In the meantime Messrs. W. R. Lockwood and John W. Heitz had become partners, and the name of the firm was changed to Pope, Baldwin & Co. After the death of Mr.

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Baldwin the firm name was Pope, Lockwood & Co., until the business was closed in 1891. Since that time Mr. Pope has not been in active business.

As affording some insight to the life of Mr. Pope, reference may be had to some of the cardinal principles that dominated it. In politics he was, first and last, for "free soil and free speech," as was evidenced by his vote for James G. Birney for President in 1844, when Polk defeated Clay; as also in the presidential contest of 1848, when, associated with seven other gentlemen of Quincy, a campaign paper, the Quincy Tribune, was published in the interest of free soil and of the election of Martin Van Buren to the presidency. The paper was ably conducted, the principal writers being Charles B. Lawrence, afterwards one of the Supreme Court Judges, and Samuel Willard, now a prominent educator in Chicago.

At all times and under all circumstances he has had the courage of his convictions. During the troublesome and critical times preceding the rebellion and during the war, he espoused the right, fearlessly and vigorously defending his position, even when single-handed, manifesting a degree of physical, as well as moral, courage possessed by few men. By reason of his strong, fearless and unblemished character, Thomas Pope early became a tower of strength in the community and during his long life his influence for good has been unshaken.

As to temperance Mr. Pope early planted his feet on the rock of total abstinence. He and his intimate friend, the late U. S. Penfield, joined the Washingtonian movement in the early forties, and they were afterwards among the charter members of the first organization of Sons of Temperance in Quincy. Mr. Pope helped form the first division of Sons of Temperance in Oregon and when, in 1858, he returned to Quincy, he had been appointed to represent Oregon in the national division Sons of Temperance about to assemble in Indianapolis.

One other feature marked the years of his early manhood, the determination to give his earnest allegiance to the moral and religious life of the community. Fifty-six years ago, under the pastorate of Rev. Horatio Foote, Mr. and Mrs. Pope united with the First Congregational Church of Quincy and gladly bore their part in its work and worship. For many years Mr. Pope was active in the work of the Sunday school.

Mr. Pope has frequently represented his church in the meetings of district associations; in the state association, and been twice honored by appointment as delegate to the National Triennial Councils of the Congregational Churches.

In their pleasant home on East Vermont street Mr. and Mrs. Pope have entered upon the fifty-sixth year of their married life.



CHARLES E. CARLEY.

Mr. Charles E. Carley was born in Shelbyville, Mo., October 23, 1856, and is a son of Mr. Felix J. Carley, in more recent years a respected resident of this city. In 1869 he came to Quincy to accept a position as apprentice in the drug house of Rogers & Malone, remaining in that house for thirteen years and becoming an experienced pharmacist and chemist, having full charge of the retail department of their store. In 1882 he engaged in the retail drug business at Fifth and Hampshire streets, building up a large and profitable trade. Later he became interested in the wholesale business of the Sommer-Lynds Drug Company, having charge of the extensive sundry department. Three years ago Mr. Carley built his present drug store building on North Sixth avenue, where he has a most attractive and inviting place of business as well as a profitable trade.



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GEORGE WELLS.

Mr. George Wells, senior member of the firm of Wells & Adams, loan and mortgage bankers and brokers, is a native of Quincy, and few men in the city have gained greater distinction in civic life than he. He is a member of one of the oldest and most prominent of Quincy families, his father, Edward Wells, having been one of the pioneers of the city. Edward Wells was born in Newburyport, Mass., in 1813, but left that place at the early age of 17, removing to

from college he first became associated with his father in pork packing, but later became interested in the fruit canning industry and then in groceries, in all of which he was successful. Several years ago he founded the firm of Wells & Adams, which occupies handsome apartments in the Wells building and conducts an extensive business. Mr. Wells has been prominently identified with a number of public enterprises, and has given freely of his time and means for



Boston. He remained there four years, or until he was 21 years of age, and then decided to come west. This section of the country was then little more than a wilderness, and after a rough journey of thirty-six days he arrived in Quincy. That was in 1834, when this city was a frontier village. He first engaged in coopering, and later became interested in the packing of pork and beef on a large scale, to which he devoted his attention for a number of years, and was a most successful business man. He was one of the men whose sturdy character and enterprise helped to make Quincy what it is, and when he passed away at the ripe age of 79 he was mourned by the whole community.

Mr. George Wells was born in this city August 22, 1846, and was educated in the schools of Quincy and of Massachusetts. Upon his return

the public weal. Politically, he is a republican, but has never sought office, although he has always taken a keen interest in public affairs. He is a prominent member of the Masonic fraternity, and has been eminent commander of El Aksa commandery of Knights Templar.

Mr. Wells was married in 1869 to Miss Sarah Jane Castle, a native of England. They have four children, Edward C. and James Russell Wells, who are associated with him in business, Charles L. and Harriet E. Wells. His eldest son, Edward C. Wells, is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and enjoys the distinction of being the only republican who was ever elected county surveyor of Adams County. Mr. Wells is a splendid type of the unassuming citizen, and commands the unbounded confidence and respect of the whole community.

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EDWARD J. PARKER.

In the building up and development of the extensive banking interest of Quincy, Mr. E. J. Parker has been an active and important factor. For more than thirty-five years he has been engaged in the banking business in this city, coming here from Hartford, Conn., his native city, in 1863, to associate himself with the banking firm of L. & C. H. Bull. With this bank he has since been connected, excepting six years, from 1873 to 1879, when he was engaged in

boulevards which the public now enjoys. By reason of the limited resources of the city the revenues available for this work have been very small, but through Mr. Parker's energy and determination Quincy now has one of the most beautiful systems of public parks in the entire country. The commanding sites along the river north and south of the city have been preserved for public parks, South Park and Primrose Park have been created and the older parks have been



banking on his own account. In 1879 the business of his firm and of L. & C. H. Bull was consolidated, Mr. Parker becoming a member of the firm and he is now cashier of the successor to that bank, the State Savings, Loan and Trust Company, the largest banking institution in Illinois, outside of Chicago, under state charter, and one of the most important in volume of business in the entire west. To the development of this strong financial institution he has contributed his full share and he is still one of its active managers.

During his long residence here Mr. Parker has been an important factor in the development of the city. As one of the organizers and the president of the Park and Boulevard Association since its formation, to his tireless efforts is largely due the magnificent system of parks and

greatly beautified. Broad boulevards encircling the entire city and connecting the public parks have also been provided. To this work Mr. Parker has given very largely of his time and his artistic genius, and he has accomplished seeming impossibilities with the limited resources at command. An active and prominent member of the American Forestry Association and of the American Park and Outdoor Art Association, it is particularly fortunate that Quincy should enjoy the benefit of his genius in park development.

Mr. Parker was for many years one of the directors of the street railway company and was a member of the board when the present splendid system of rapid transit was introduced. He was also identified with the extensive business of the Quincy Paper Company as director

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and secretary up to the time of the formation of the American Straw Board Company. For some time he held the office of treasurer of the Quincy, Omaha & Kansas City Railway Company, and is now cashier of the successor road, the Omaha, Kansas City & Eastern Railway. A forceful speaker and a convincing writer, he has taken prominent part in many important public movements, more recently in the sound currency movement and the corn propaganda, now attracting universal attention. He was vice president for Illinois of the Indianapolis Monetary Congress, is a recognized factor in the National Business League and a prominent member of the Illinois and the National Bankers' Associations. All of the business associations organized in Quincy have had his earnest support. To the young men he has always been a helpful and steadfast friend, ever ready to assist in securing them employment and in aiding them in a substantial way. The militia and naval organizations have received his active co-operation. Mr. Parker is the treasurer of Blessing Hospital Association and has been one of the leading supporters of that important

charity since its organization. He is also actively identified with other charitable associations devoted to the public good. For many years he has been prominent in the affairs of the Episcopal Church, being one of the organizers of the Church of the Good Shepherd, to which he has been a most liberal contributor. He was also active in bringing about a division of the Diocese of Illinois and the creation of the Diocese of Quincy. The organization of the Woodland Cemetery Association was largely brought about through his efforts. One of the organizers of the Quincy Country Club, Mr. Parker is also a member of several of the prominent clubs of Chicago and the eastern cities. Few men with as important business responsibilities could successfully undertake so much work for the public good, but Mr. Parker is a rapid and systematic worker and possesses the quality of energy that never knows defeat. In his extensive travels in this country and abroad he has been a close observer and his broad culture has enabled him to make his observations and rare fund of information of practical benefit to the public and to his home city.



JOHN R. WISDOM.

Mr. John R. Wisdom was born on a farm in Randolph County, Missouri, March 22, 1848. After receiving a common school education, he went to work on the home farm, the best in the county. When fifteen years of age he enlisted in Company D, Thirty-ninth Missouri Volunteer Infantry, serving to the close of the war. He was young in years, but old enough to make a brave and faithful soldier. At the close of the war he commenced handling lumber as a contractor and was then engaged in the livery business in Hannibal for some years, the firm being Loudon & Wisdom. In 1880 Mr. Wisdom was elected to the state legislature from Marion County, the only republican who has been elected from that district since 1870. In 1886 he went to Arkansas as the general manager of the Herne Lumber Company and in 1890 located in this city as manager of the Gem City Saw Mill Company. In 1898 he was elected president and general manager, the position which he still holds. The business of this company is one of the largest and most important in Quincy. The mill is one of the best on the river, cutting twenty-five million feet of lumber a year and giving lucrative employment to a large number of men. The splendid success of the business is largely due to Mr. Wisdom's excellent management and unusual business capacity.



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WILLIARD P. UPHAM.

Mr. Willard P. Upham, one of the substantial citizens and representative business men of Quincy, is descended from the Pilgrim fathers and inherits their sturdy characteristics. His ancestors were among the early settlers of New England, they having come to America in 1635, and settled in Massachusetts only fifteen years after the landing at Plymouth Rock. They were identified with the early Indian wars and with the development of New England, and the family history contains the names of several soldiers of the war of the revolution.

Mr. Upham was born in Melrose, Mass., in 1841, that city having also been his father's native place, and with such sturdy blood in his veins he was bound to become a leader. After leaving school he determined upon a commercial life, and served his first apprenticeship in a large wholesale dry goods store in Boston. He came west in the early sixties, locating first at Washington, Iowa, where he engaged in the retail boot and shoe business. Three years later he removed to Keokuk, Iowa, where he embarked in the same business, afterwards enlarging it to a wholesale as well as retail house. He came to Quincy in 1878, succeeding the old established boot and shoe house of C. Brown, Jr., the firm name being Upham, Gordon & Co. Mr. J. W. Sinnock was the third member, but he withdrew later, and was succeeded in the firm by Charles C. Upham. The retail branch of the business was abandoned after a time and the firm devoted itself exclusively to the wholesale trade, in which it has been remarkably successful, its operations extending all over the west.

Politically, Mr. Upham is a republican, and in spite of his extensive business cares has found time to devote attention to politics in the broadest sense. He has never held a public office and has never permitted the use of his name, but he has been actively identified with many important movements for the advancement of the public weal. He took an active part in the organization of the Quincy Chamber of Commerce, and was elected its first president, which office he still holds. Under his capable direction and wise administration, the Chamber of Commerce has become a potent instrument for the upbuilding of Quincy, and a number of

accomplished benefits stand as monuments to his zeal and energy. Through him the Chamber of Commerce assisted in successfully promoting the new Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad terminals, the new wagon bridge, the public market, the hard road across the river in Missouri, and it is now engaged in the movement for the construction of good roads in Adams County, and in the cultivation of the sugar beet in this section of the state, with the ultimate



object of building a large beet sugar factory here.

Mr. Upham is one of the representative men of the commercial and financial interests of Quincy. He was for years a director of the First National Bank, and when it was consolidated with the State Savings, Loan and Trust Company he was elected a member of the directory of the consolidated banks. He is also active in charitable and philanthropic work, is a liberal but unostentatious contributor to all worthy causes, and is one of the trustees of Blessing Hospital.

FREDERICK W. MENKE.

Few citizens of Quincy are more widely known than Mr. Frederick W. Menke, the head of the important stone industry which bears his name. He is one of the leading contractors in stone work in the west, and the Adams County court house, the Quincy public library building, the court house at Kirksville, Mo., and



many other public and private buildings in this and adjoining states are monuments to his skill and honesty.

Mr. Menke is a native of Westphalia, Prussia, and was born August 12, 1832, the eldest of six children of Herman H. and Hannah (Ricksick) Menke. His father was a farmer and veterinary surgeon, and Mr. Menke spent his boyhood in attending school in his native town and helping his father on the farm. When twenty years old he decided to come to America, and landed in New Orleans in 1852, coming thence direct to

Quincy. He learned the trade of stone cutter, and worked at the trade as a journeyman until 1863, when he went into business for himself as a contractor. In 1886 he organized the F. W. Menke Stone and Lime Company, and he has ever since actively directed its affairs. His skill as a builder is unquestioned, and his honesty is unimpeachable. Many contracts have been awarded to him without competition. Many important buildings in Quincy and adjoining cities are monuments to his skill, and it has come to be an axiom in building operations that "if Menke does the work it is well done." His operations extend all over the west, and he has constructed large buildings in Springfield, Peoria and other cities. He is the contractor for the new depot of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy in this city. His company owns extensive stone yards and a stone saw mill at the foot of State street, and very often a large building is sawed out there and then shipped to a distant city for erection.

As a man and a citizen, Mr. Menke possesses the most implicit confidence of the whole community, and his fellow citizens have taken delight in conferring honors upon him. He served twelve years in the City Council as an alderman from the Fourth Ward, and also served two years in the county board of supervisors. He is a republican in politics, and in 1892 was a presidential elector. In 1897 Governor Tanner appointed him one of the commissioners of the new insane asylum at Peoria, an appointment that was commended all over the state, political opponents of the Governor joining in the general commendation of the wisdom of the selection of Mr. Menke. In the spring of 1899 the republicans urged him to become their candidate for mayor, but he declined the honor, although the election was practically assured.

Mr. Menke was married in 1855 to Miss Louisa Wulfmeyer, daughter of Henry Wulfmeyer, and six children have blessed their union—Amelia, widow of Frank Hagenbruch, William G., Edward H., John H., Mrs. Edward Ruff, and Fred C. Menke.

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SAMUEL H. EMERY, Jr.

Mr. Samuel Hopkins Emery, Jr., is the eldest living son of the Rev. Dr. S. H. Emery, Sr., of Taunton, Mass., and inherits many of his father's qualities of mind and body. Tall and straight as an arrow, of unusually fine presence, he is a man who would command attention in any assemblage. By reason of his broad and comprehensive learning, he is a strong and convincing writer and a ready speaker. While he holds positive opinions and is frank in ex-

and was director of the famous Concord School of Philosophy during the entire term of its existence. Deciding to again locate in Quincy, he associated himself with the Quincy Paper Co., as vice-president. On the organization of the American Straw Board Co., in 1889, which absorbed the Quincy plant, Mr. Emery became manager of the Quincy mills and was afterwards made auditor of the American Straw Board Co., which position he now holds. He is



pressing them, he is fair and considerate in all things. In business Mr. Emery has been uniformly successful. He was born at Taunton, Mass., Aug. 3, 1840, and after leaving Bristol Academy attended Harvard and Amherst Colleges. In 1856 he came to Quincy, where his father was then located, and he was for twenty-three years identified with the Comstock Stove Foundry. In 1879 he returned to Massachusetts, taking a course at Harvard Law School and devoting his attention to legal practice in Boston. In 1882 he received the degree of LL. B. from Harvard, the degree of A. M. having been conferred on him by Amherst College in 1870. While in Massachusetts he resided at Concord

also president of the Electric Wheel Co. and vice-president of the Channon-Emery Stove Co.

In 1865 he was married to Miss Mary M. McClure, daughter of the Rev. Alexander W. McClure, D. D., of Canonsburgh, Pa. They have one daughter, Mrs. A. S. Ellis, of this city. Business cares rest lightly on Mr. Emery. While he has large and important interests to look after, he has the faculty of grasping a subject quickly and disposing of a vast amount of detail in a very short time. A generous supporter of worthy charities, he gives freely of his means to various causes. In all the relations of life Mr. Emery is a well rounded, evenly balanced man.

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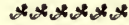


GEORGE E. RICKER.

Counted by years, Mr. George E. Ricker is a young man, but he is old in business and financial experience, and occupies an eminent position in the financial world. He is a son of Mr. H. F. J. Ricker, one of the pioneers of Quincy, and was born in this city November 1, 1866. After completing his common school education here he attended Pio Nono College, Milwaukee, where he graduated high in his class. He entered the Ricker National Bank in 1887 in the bookkeeping department. He is a natural banker, and his abilities advanced him from one position to another until in 1893 he was elected cashier of this, the largest bank in the state, outside of Chicago. Since then he has had the practical active charge of the vast business of the bank, and has conducted it with remarkable judgment and ability. So successful has been his administration of the affairs of the bank that its business has shown a wonderful increase, now reaching a total of over \$3,000,000. His methods are careful and conservative, as he fully appreciates that the savings of thousands of people are entrusted to his care, but while conscientiously careful he is at the same time enterprising and public-spirited, and the assistance of the bank is never withheld where it can be safely bestowed. He is a far-

seeing financier, and his sound judgment is recognized throughout the financial world.

Mr. Ricker was married in 1892 to Miss Josephine Wahl, the eldest daughter of Frederick Wahl, Sr., and they have three bright children—two sons and a daughter. Their beautiful home at Eighth and Spring streets is one of the handsomest in the city, and the interior of it shows the rare taste of Mr. and Mrs. Ricker.



JAMES J. WALSH.

Born at Lockport, N. Y., Mr. James J. Walsh comes of distinguished revolutionary stock, his ancestors having been pioneer residents of Western New York. He was educated at De Veaux College, a military school at Niagara Falls, and afterwards attended Hobart College at Geneva, N. Y. In 1879 he located at Cincinnati with a jobbing grocery house and two years later associated himself with the late T. H. Jackson at Atchison, Kan., in the manufacture of Jackson's Common Sense Liniment. In 1883 the business was removed to Quincy, where it has since been conducted and has assumed large importance. Much of the success of this business is due to Mr. Walsh's original and effective methods of advertising, the merits of his medi-



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cine being strongly presented. During his residence here Mr. Walsh has identified himself with every movement for advancing the public welfare. While he has devoted himself to his business, he has found time to assist in promoting many important public enterprises. Possessed of tireless energy, methodical in everything he undertakes, his work is always effective and has brought about substantial results. His capacity for organization and his executive ability have been freely devoted to many important undertakings calculated to promote the development of the city and to many worthy charitable causes. Mr. Walsh was married at Atchison, Kan., in February, 1884, to Miss Josephine Wills, of that city.

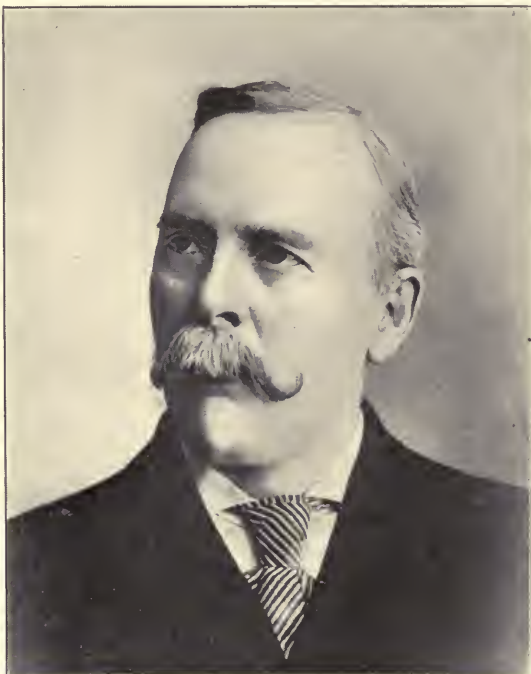


EDWIN FREEMAN BRADFORD.

A descendant of William Bradford, first governor of Plymouth colony and great grandson of Captain Samuel Bradford of Connecticut, was born in Southbridge, Mass., April 27, 1841. Being the son of a farmer he had the ordinary advantages of the district school common to all the New England farmer boys. Family reverses and the death of his mother early compelled him to make his own way in the world. After serving an apprenticeship at the trade of shoemaking he entered Nichols Academy in Dudley, Mass., at the age of sixteen. By working at his trade on Saturdays, doing farm work in the summer, and teaching school in winter, he was enabled to work his way through the academy in five years. Learning that telegraph operators were needed in Illinois he went to Nashua, N. H., and spent three months studying telegraphy.

With letters of recommendation to A. N. Towne, then assistant superintendent of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy in Chicago, he came to Illinois in November, 1863, and the next month commenced work for the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy at Kewanee. The next year he went to Young America as clerk and operator. In 1865 he was given the position of station agent at Macomb, where he remained until 1881. In 1868 he married Miss Emily M. Prince, of Dudley, Mass., who was also educated at Nichols Academy, and whose grandfather was one of the minute men at the battle of Lexington. In 1881 Mr. Bradford was transferred to Hannibal in charge of the business of the C., B. & Q. and St. L., K. & N. W. railroads. Two

years later the H. & St. J. business was added and his title made general agent. In 1887 he was transferred to Quincy, where, besides being in charge of the city business of the above mentioned lines, he has charge of the freight and passenger business of the Burlington system through Illinois from Louisiana, Mo., to Burlington, Iowa. During his twelve years residence



here Mr. Bradford has thoroughly identified himself with the best interests of the city. He has taken an active part in many important movements for the public welfare, his keen foresight, conservative judgment and untiring energy making him a strong factor among representative business men. Whatever he undertakes is carefully and thoroughly done and he is one of the men who bring about results. The development in Quincy of the business of the great railway system which he represents, resulting in the building of the handsome new passenger station, the new depot and the new system of terminals here, involving the expenditure of nearly a million dollars, is conclusive evidence of his ability as a railway official. Personally of a modest, retiring nature, Mr. Bradford is a strong man in business and a strong man in the community.

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JOSEPH L. MORGAN.

In the coterie of Quincy's most active and public spirited business men Major Joseph L. Morgan has held a prominent place for many years. Ever ready to do his full share in promoting every worthy public enterprise, he has been identified with every movement for promoting the general welfare and advancing the interests of the city. His efforts are always well directed and effective. Major Morgan was born at Alton, Ill., March 8, 1843. His father, James

States for bravery and valor at the battle of Nashville. Major Morgan served on the staff of General John Newton, General Wagner and General Washington L. Elliott and did not leave the service until after the close of the war. His regiment probably saw as hard and desperate service as any command in the Union army. On December 12, 1862, four months after he enlisted he participated in the battle of Stone River, under Rosenkranz, a five-days fight and one of



Madison Morgan, came from Baltimore to Alton in 1836 and was one of the most prominent of the early residents of the town. After securing a good common school education the son was employed as a salesman at Alton for a time and in the fall of 1861 came to Quincy to attend school. August 10, 1862, when nineteen years of age, he left school to enlist in Company H, Seventy-third Illinois Volunteer Infantry and was appointed sergeant. On February 28, 1863, he was elected first lieutenant of his company and the following April was commissioned captain. June 14, 1864, he was detached from his command and detailed as assistant inspector general of the Second Division, Fourth Army Corps, Army of the Cumberland, serving in the Atlantic campaign. In December, 1864, he was breveted major by the president of the United

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quarters and capturing a part of his staff. Soon after the division to which Major Morgan belonged, started to relieve Burnside at Knoxville, Tenn., marching across the country and finding their own subsistence. On that campaign he commanded his regiment. In the spring of 1864 he started on the Atlantic campaign, participating in the battles of Rocky Face Ridge, near Dalton, Ga., New Hope Church, Peach Tree Creek, the siege of Atlanta and the campaign around Atlanta to Jonesboro. His command was on duty night and day from May 3 to September 8, and was in constant peril. In the fall of 1864 he returned to Pulaski, Tenn., to oppose Hood's army and assisted in resisting the rebel advance from there to Nashville, a distance of seventy-two miles, with almost uninterrupted fighting for four or five days. His division was the rear guard of the army up to Franklin, Tenn. On November 30 the battle of Franklin occurred, his division bearing the brunt of the engagement. This battle was one of the most memorable of the war, thirteen rebel generals being killed or wounded and 6,000 rebel soldiers killed and wounded. At midnight his command marched on to Nashville, where General Thomas reorganized his army. December 14 and 15 the battle of Nashville was fought. In the afternoon of the second day Hood's army was completely routed. Major Morgan's command then went into winter quarters at Huntsville, Ala., and in the spring of 1865 campaigned in East Tennessee until the war closed, being mustered out of service at Nashville, June 12, 1865. In the foregoing the record of this brave officer and fearless soldier is too briefly told. At the close of the war Major Morgan returned to Quincy and secured employment as a clerk. In April, 1871, the present firm of Clark & Morgan was established at 643 Hampshire street. They soon after removed to 422 Maine street, where they built up one of the leading bakery and confectionery and foreign fruit establishments of this entire section. Major Morgan was married February 7, 1867, to Miss Helen M. Van Doorn, eldest daughter of the late John K. Van Doorn.



DICKERSON McAFEE.

Mr. Dickerson McAfee, president of the Thomas White Stove Company, was born at Shelbyville, Mo., June 24, 1848. His boyhood was spent in working on a farm and attending a district school. When seventeen years of age he came to Quincy and secured a position in C. A. Richardson's grocery store, in the Rogers' building, corner Sixth and Hampshire streets. Soon after Richardson & Taylor built the old Quincy turnpike, from West Quincy to the

Fabius bridge, and Mr. McAfee worked for them as foreman and timekeeper. He saved enough money from his wages to take a complete commercial course in Bryant & Stratton's business college, and in March, 1869, accepted a position in Mr. Thomas White's stove foundry as bookkeeper and shipping clerk. His capacity for business at once manifested itself and his advancement was rapid, continuing until he has become president of the incorporated company. In every relation in life Mr. McAfee has the



courage of his convictions and is characterized by thoroughness and attention to details. Serving in the City Council of 1895-97, he was one of the strongest and most influential members. Every question affecting the welfare of the city received his careful attention and his services were of far-reaching value. In 1895 he was a member of the Board of Education and no member of the board ever accomplished more for the advancement and development of the public schools. He was largely instrumental in bringing about needed reforms and elevating the standard of the High School and in providing additional facilities in several of the school districts. He is also a director in the Quincy Freight Bureau and was a member of the committee of three from that body which was instrumental in bringing about the extensive Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad improvements now in progress here and which embrace new passenger and freight depots and a new railroad and wagon bridge across the river.

JAMES E. ADAMS.

The life of Major Adams has been an active one and has been filled with eventful and highly interesting experiences. He was born January 15, 1848, at the southeast corner of Fourth and Broadway, the old homestead still standing just as it was over fifty years ago. He is a son of Mr. James Adams, who died in Quincy June 22, 1888, and Mary Glentworth Arrowsmith, who is still living in this city. His parents were married in Quincy, May 17, 1843, at the residence of Mrs. Adams' mother, Fourth and Vermont streets, now the Lindsey Church Home. Both



his father and mother located here in 1839. Mr. James Adams, with his brother, George, built the first foundry in Quincy, the first north and west of St. Louis, the parent institution of the present great foundry business of this city. Both were for more than fifty years leading business men and Quincy owes much to their enterprise and public spirit. After disposing of their foundry interests, they engaged in the produce business and became the largest shippers of grain and produce in this vicinity. For forty years they were also among the leading pork packers of this section of country. Mr. Edward Arrowsmith, the maternal grandfather of Major Adams, entered a large tract of land

east of Thirtieth street and north of Broadway in 1818. Major Adams was educated in the public schools of Quincy and in the Quincy Seminary. In April, 1864, when sixteen years of age, he enlisted in the 137th Illinois Volunteer Infantry. At the close of the war he accepted the position of transfer clerk for the Great Western Dispatch. This was before the railroad bridge was built at Quincy and thousands of tons of freight was transferred by ferry boat every day. He was afterwards cashier for the Merchants' Union Express Company and also helped survey the Q., M. & P. Railway. In 1869 he decided to go to the southwest and engaged in the banking business at Weatherford, Texas, after serving as clerk of the Parker County (Texas) circuit court. In 1872 he was appointed post trader in the regular army by President Grant and was assigned to Fort Griffin, Texas. On February 11, 1874, he was married in Weatherford to Mrs. Sallie White Ellison, a daughter of Dr. James B. White, of Danville, Ky. Three daughters were born to this union. In 1876 Major Adams located at Edina, Mo., and was one of the organizers of the Bank of Edina, of which he was cashier until 1892. He was commissioner of the United States district court for the eastern district of Missouri from 1878 to 1892 and was a delegate to the republican national convention of 1880 from the First Missouri District, being one of the 306 who cast thirty-six consecutive ballots for the renomination of President Grant in that memorable convention. For four years he was chairman of the First district republican central committee and was mayor of Edina for four years. During his term as chief executive many important improvements were undertaken and the city developed rapidly. He was president of the Marceline Town and Land Company that platted the city of Marceline, Mo., and was president of the Marceline Coal Mining Company that sunk the shafts and developed the mines of what is now one of the most valuable coal properties in the west. In 1892 Major Adams returned to Quincy and is now a member of the firm of Wells & Adams, extensive mortgage bankers. In the last presidential campaign he was president of the McKinley club and was active in the party organizations. He is now vice-chairman of the republican county central committee. A man of iron will and great energy, Major Adams seldom falls short of success in whatever he undertakes.

WILLIAM SOMERVILLE.

Captain William Somerville has had a distinguished career as soldier, internal revenue officer and political leader. He was born in Pennsylvania August 15, 1837. The founder of the family in America, James Somerville, emigrated from Scotland in 1735, and settled at Hollidaysburg, Pa., which was the family home until 1850. Captain Somerville's grandfather, James Somerville, was a soldier in the revolutionary war, and died in 1840, at the venerable age of 90 years. Captain Somerville's father, James Somerville III., was born in 1800, and married Miss Susan Stover, a native of Maryland, and a descendant of Dutch stock. They moved to Carthage, Hancock County, Illinois, in 1850, and the subject of this sketch, then a boy of 13, came with them, settling on a farm. The father went to California during the gold excitement, but remained only a short time, when he returned to Carthage.

Captain Somerville's early education was obtained in the public schools. When the civil war broke out he responded to President Lincoln's first call for troops, enlisting May 9, 1861, as a private in Company D, Sixteenth Illinois Volunteer Infantry. His military title was won by gallant services on the battle fields of the south. The Sixteenth Illinois was one of the famous regiments of the western armies, and he was with it constantly until his army service was ended by a minnie ball at Bentonville, N. C., in 1865. Captain Somerville participated in the battle of New Madrid, the operations before Island No. 10, the siege and battle of Corinth, two battles of Farmington, and fought all through the Atlanta campaign, his conspicuous bravery winning him commendation from his superior officers and successive promotions. He was with Sherman on the march to the sea, and then up through the Carolinas. His regiment was a part of General James D. Morgan's brigade, which was some distance from the main army at Bentonville, N. C., and was there attacked by a greatly superior force of the enemy. The battle lasted all day, and the enemy was finally repulsed with great gallantry. It was in that engagement that Captain Somerville was wounded in the groin by a minnie bullet.

By the time he had recovered from his wound the war had ended, and Captain Somerville then entered the internal revenue service, with which he was identified for twenty-eight years. He attained national distinction in that service, and was instrumental in the apprehension of more

moonshine distillers and crooked employes of the government than any other man in the service. An officer of tireless energy and utterly fearless, he penetrated the mountain fastnesses of the south, the favorite habitat of the moonshiners, and so successful was he in the pursuit of illicit distillers that the moonshiners placed a price upon his head and vowed to shoot him if they ever got the chance. But Captain Somerville only laughed at their threats, which, how-



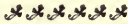
ever, were in deadly earnest, and there is little doubt but that they would have sought vengeance in his death had he given them the opportunity.

As a revenue officer, Captain Somerville traveled in almost every state in the union, and left the service in the spring of 1897 to accept the position of superintendent of the Soldiers' Home at Quincy, to which he was appointed by Governor Tanner. His administration of the affairs of that institution has been most successful, demonstrating executive ability of the highest order.

Captain Somerville has always been a staunch republican, and in 1896 was chairman of the Adams county republican central committee.

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Adams county is a democratic stronghold, but in that year it gave a majority for the republican candidate for president and elected the whole republican ticket, for the first time in its history. Captain Somerville has made Quincy his home since 1870, his family consisting of his wife, son and daughter. The son, James Somerville, is now freight terminal agent of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad at St. Louis, and the daughter, Miss Carrie Somerville, is at home. He is a Mason of high degree, being a Knight Templar, and is also prominently identified with the Grand Army of the Republic and the Loyal Legion.



CHARLES H. WILLIAMSON.

Mr. Charles H. Williamson is one of the seven representative democrats of the country to whom the sound money movement of the campaign of 1896 is due and who issued the first call for a sound money conference. This movement had its inception in Illinois the year previous, the keynote being struck by Mr. Williamson at the free silver convention held at Springfield. He was the chairman of the Adams county delegation to that convention and was the only delegate who spoke against free silver, his address being cut off by a motion for the previous question. The large body of democrats in the state and the nation who favored the gold standard promptly effected an organization, in which Mr. Williamson was a prominent factor. He was the vice-chairman of the sound money democratic state central committee and chairman of the executive committee and on him devolved the active management of the campaign. He was also secretary of the Illinois delegation to the national convention at Indianapolis, of which the Hon. John M. Palmer was chairman, and was the chairman of the Illinois delegation at both sessions of the Indianapolis monetary convention. It is fair to assume that the success of this memorable movement in the presidential campaign of 1896, one of the most important in the history of the nation, was largely due to his aggressive stand against free silver when that issue was first presented and to his constant and untiring efforts in the interest of honest currency.

Mr. Williamson is a son of Mr. H. A. Williamson, and was born in this city September 1, 1862. He was the valedictorian of the class of 1882 at Racine College, completing the classical course and receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. The chair of Latin and the chair of mathematics

were offered to him, but he preferred active business and for two years was associated with his father. He then took a post-graduate course of four years at Columbia College, New York, with the degree of P. H. B. The degree of Master of Arts was subsequently conferred by Racine College. In 1888 he returned to Quincy and engaged in the fruit and produce business with Mr. Frank Evers, but two years later established his present business in the same



line, in which he has been eminently successful. He is one of the three largest shippers of apples in the country and is the president of the National Apple Shippers' Association. To his other titles has been added that of "Apple King." Mr. Williamson served two years in the City Council and was appointed a member of the board of education to succeed the late Senator Wells. He has held the office of president of the Quincy Freight Bureau since its organization, was president of the Humane Society for several years and is still a director and is one of the trustees of Woodland Orphan Home. Governor Tanner appointed him one of the Illinois commissioners to the Nashville Exposition. A ready and brilliant speaker and an ideal presiding officer. Mr. Williamson is in demand for public occasions and has graced many important gatherings and social functions.

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JOSEPH W. EMERY.

Mr. Joseph W. Emery, president and treasurer of the Channon-Emery Stove Company, is a son of the Rev. Dr. S. H. Emery, Sr., and was born at Taunton, Mass., November 10, 1850, coming to Quincy with his parents in 1855. The Rev. Dr. Emery was pastor of the Congregational church here from 1855 to 1869, and has left a deep and lasting impress on the community. A man of broad culture, an eloquent, impressive speaker and a successful organizer, the church was exceedingly prosperous under his ministrations. But his work was not confined to his church alone, extending to every movement for good among all the people. Shortly after the breaking out of the war, extensive army hospitals were established here, hundreds of sick and wounded union soldiers being brought to Quincy from the camps and battlefields of the south. Dr. Emery was not only active in promoting and assisting movements for the relief of the soldiers at the front, but also devoted himself assiduously to hospital work. He was specially commissioned hospital chaplain, ministering to the dying and officiating at the burial services of nearly every one of the brave men who rest in the national burial ground at Woodland. On many occasions he assisted in carrying the sick and wounded from the steamboats at the levee, his kindly heart impelling him to care for their physical as well as their religious welfare. Dr. Emery has taken a deep interest in historical matters. The Old Colony Historical Society was organized in his study at Taunton before he came to Quincy, and for twenty-five years he has been its president. He has been a member of the Massachusetts legislature and was also appointed by the governor of Massachusetts one of the three Old Colony commissioners to locate and preserve buildings and sites of historic interest in the state. During his more recent visits to his sons in this city, Dr. Emery was instrumental in the organization of the Adams County Historical Society. He is still located at Taunton, pastor emeritus of the old church which he left nearly fifty years ago to come to Quincy. Active in mind and body, he is one of the leading ministers of his denomination, a ripe scholar and thinker.

After graduating at the Quincy High School,

Mr. Joseph W. Emery went into the banking house of L. & C. H. Bull and later, with Mr. E. J. Parker, succeeded to the commercial department of the business, the firm being E. J. Parker & Co. Afterwards the commercial and savings departments were consolidated and Mr. Emery was made cashier. To this important and responsible position, this being one of the largest private banking institutions in the west, outside of the larger cities, he brought rare



business ability and the confidence of the community. In 1881, Mr. Emery, with the late William V. Channon, organized the stove manufacturing business of Channon & Emery, succeeded by the Channon-Emery Stove Company, Mr. Emery filling the office of vice-president. Later he became president and treasurer of the company, which offices he now holds, as well as the general direction of this large and important business.

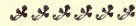
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ALEXANDER SHOLL.

Alexander Mack, a maternal ancestor of Captain Sholl, came to this country from Germany in 1729 and was the founder of the Dunkard religion in America. His paternal grandfather figured prominently in revolutionary times and the captain inherits from him his unswerving loyalty and patriotism. His father, Jacob Sholl, left Pennsylvania in 1833 to locate at Winchester, Ohio, where Captain Sholl was born. In March, 1853, the family removed to Hancock County, where the father conducted a mercantile business for many years. When the war broke out Captain Sholl was given a position as clerk with Colonel Simpson in the quartermaster's department at a salary of \$150 per month. Soon realizing that the country needed fighting men he resigned his lucrative position to enlist as a private in Company B, 118th Illinois Volunteer Infantry. His regiment was in the advance at the siege of Vicksburg and saw lots of hard service during the early years of the rebellion. He earned promotion rapidly, being elected second lieutenant and first lieutenant of his company and in 1863 was commissioned captain. After the war he engaged in the hardware business at Carthage. In 1877 Captain Sholl was appointed chief clerk of the Southern Illinois penitentiary at Chester, which

responsible position he held until 1885, when he went to Minneapolis to engage in business. Four years later he returned to Carthage and in 1893 came to Quincy to engage in the furniture business. He is vice-president and treasurer of the Cottrell-Sholl Furniture Company, the leading concern in this line of business in the city. Few men who have come to Quincy in recent years have so quickly identified themselves with the community. Captain Sholl has the faculty of making and retaining friends by reason of his frank, generous nature and his disposition to assist others. He has a wide acquaintance throughout the state and with public men throughout the country.



EDMUND M. BOTSFORD.

Though still a young man Mr. Edmund M. Botsford has held a prominent place among the newspaper publishers of Illinois for many years. Born at Fishkill, on the Hudson, N. Y., he is a son of the Rev. A. P. Botsford, for more than sixty years one of the most eminent and scholarly ministers of the Presbyterian church. He graduated at Princeton College in 1874, receiving the degree of A. B. and was awarded the senior prize medal in his class of one hundred



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for the best essay. While his education had been directed towards the legal profession he early manifested a natural talent for journalism and as a college student did much of the editorial writing for the Port Jervis Gazette. After leaving college he taught school for a time and studied law at Rochester, N. Y. In 1879 Mr. Botsford located at Rockford, Ill., and after continuing his law studies accepted an editorial position on the Rockford Register, starting the first daily newspaper in that thriving city. He soon took an interest in the paper, which was a pronounced success under his management. September 23, 1891, he became one of the proprietors of the Quincy Daily Herald, of which he has since been managing editor. Mr. Botsford has the faculty of making the kind of newspaper the people want and under his direction the Herald has become one of the leading papers of the state and a financial success as well. A ready and forcible writer, with an unlimited capacity for work, he combines to an unusual degree the qualities that make up the live, progressive journalist of to-day. As president of the local board of the Associated Press, the telegraphic news business of this section of the state is under his direction. He was married August 31, 1881, to Miss Caroline Butterworth, daughter of "Honest Tom" Butterworth, of Rockford, a member of the state legislature and candidate for state treasurer. They have one son and one daughter.

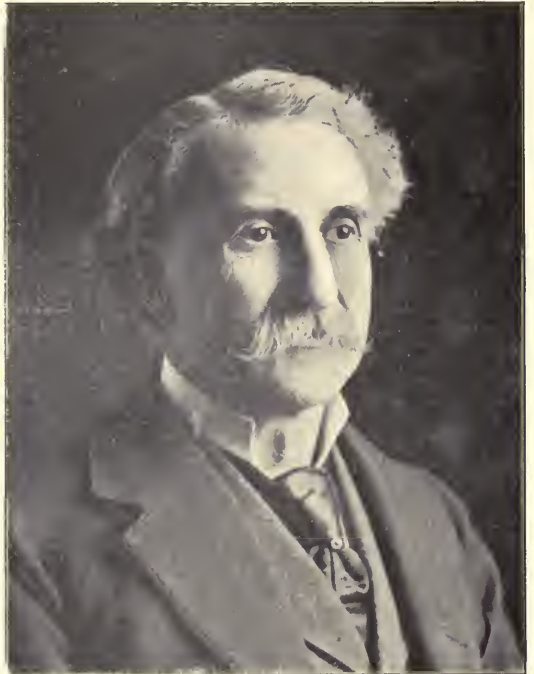


JAMES H. CLARK.

Mr. James H. Clark was born in Ogle County, Illinois, in 1846. His father, the late James Clark, who died April 8 of the present year, lacked but a few months of being 100 years old. For many years he was the oldest resident of Quincy and one of its most honored citizens. Up to the week of his death he was in full possession of all his faculties, remarkably well-preserved, mentally and physically. His first vote was cast for James Monroe in 1820 and he was a neighbor and personal friend of General William Henry Harrison, sharing with the early pioneers of Ohio in the Indian wars and the privations of the development of the great Buckeye state. He also enjoyed the distinction of being the oldest Mason in America, if not in the world, having become a member of the lodge at Sunbury, Ohio, in 1820. Having lived to see

five generations gathered about him, he passed away almost in full vigor, the honored head of a long line of worthy descendants.

After attending Rock River Seminary at Mount Morris, Ill., Mr. James H. Clark taught school in Ogle County for a short time, but came to Quincy with his parents in 1863, working in his father's grocery store, under the Occidental Hotel. He was afterwards shipping clerk for F. W. Jansen & Co. and then bookkeeper and salesman for Brown Brothers. In 1870 he engaged in the bakery and confectionery business



and a year later the present firm of Clark & Morgan was organized. For thirty years Mr. Clark has been a prominent figure in commercial circles. His house has become one of the leading confectionery and bakery establishments of the west and one of the most extensive dealers in foreign fruits and nuts. In public affairs he has always manifested a lively interest and he has given freely of his time and means for the advancement of Quincy. For many years Mr. Clark has been president of the board of trustees of the Vermont Street Methodist Episcopal Church and one of the trustees and most earnest promoters of Chaddock College.

CHARLES T. DAZEY.

It is a source of universal pride to the people of Quincy that among its many distinguished citizens should be numbered one of the most eminent and successful dramatic writers of the time—Mr. Charles T. Dazey. The plays of this noted author are delighting immense audiences in Europe as well as in America and his name is as familiarly known abroad as it is in his own country. "In Old Kentucky" and "The War of Wealth" are still delighting and instructing



dramatic writers of the day there are none more eminent or successful and his name will be honored in future years.

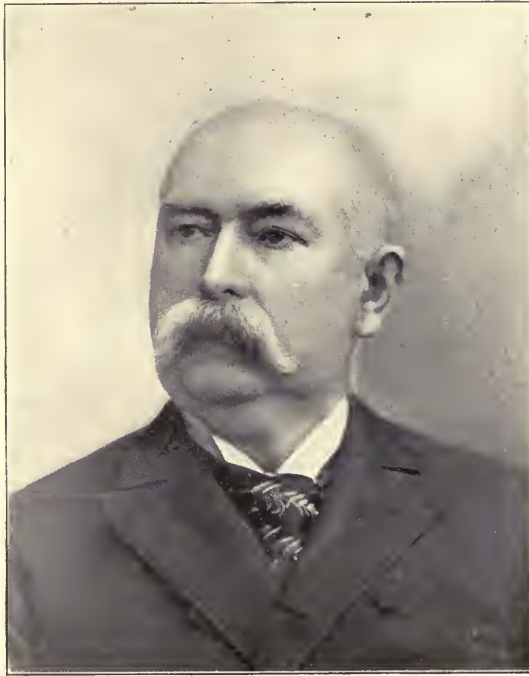
Mr. Dazey was born in the town of Lima, in this county, August 13, 1855. He is a son of the Hon. Mitchell Dazey, for a long term of years one of the most prominent farmers of the county. His early education was gained in the Quincy schools and Johnson College and he then went to Lexington, Ky., where he prepared for Harvard College, graduating at Harvard in the class of 1881 with honors and receiving the degree of A. B. The honorary degree of M. A. was afterwards conferred on him by Illinois College. After graduating at Harvard he studied law at Columbia College, but close application having impaired his health he went to Dakota, where he managed an extensive wheat farm for some time. When his health was restored he gave his entire attention to literature. His first play was written while he was at Harvard College, a comediette entitled "Rustication," which was presented at the Boston Museum with more than ordinary success. Mr. Dazey's first serious play was "An American King," presented by James O'Neil in 1882. It was so successful that it brought many commissions from prominent actors and at once established the reputation of the author. "Erma, the Elf," and other plays for Katie Putnam followed and "For a Brother's Life," presented by J. M. Hill, and "Love Finds a Way," written later for Katie Putnam. "In Old Kentucky," the first play to give Mr. Dazey an international reputation, was written at the Newcomb Hotel in the winter of 1891-2. It is now on its seventh season in this country, is being presented in England and Australia and is to be given in Germany. Since it was written no dramatic production presented has drawn larger audiences or received more universally favorable comment. "The War of Wealth," which followed "In Old Kentucky," has been presented in England, is to be given in Australia and has proven equally popular. "The Tarrytown Widow" and some minor writings for the Century and other periodicals have comprised Mr. Dazey's more recent work. Mr. Dazey was married July 12, 1887, to Miss Lucy H. Harding, and they have one son. In the fall of 1896, with his charming and accomplished wife he went abroad for a year, visiting England, France and Italy, and was everywhere received with distinguished honor.

audiences, measured only by the capacity of the largest theaters, and his other plays have proven equally popular. In his dramatic and literary work Mr. Dazey is conscientious and painstaking to the highest degree. A close and remarkably successful student of human nature, dominated by the highest motives, his writings are not only pure and wholesome, but appeal strongly to the people, touching a responsive chord in every heart. He has not been influenced by the constant demands of great actors and successful managers, but writes with care and deliberation and everything that comes from his pen is characterized by the same completeness and elegance of finish. Among the

JONATHAN PARKHURST.

Against far greater than ordinary odds the Hon. Jonathan Parkhurst has carved out success in life and has made for himself a prominent place in commercial and political affairs. He was born in Dana, Worcester County, Massachusetts. When he was very young his parents located at Barre Village and at the age of eight years he was employed in a cotton factory at 50 cents per week, working twelve and one-half hours a day. The second six months

the spring of his eighteenth year Mr. Parkhurst left home and went to Nashua, N. H., where he attended school, splitting palm-leaves morning and evening to support himself. After leaving school he made unsuccessful attempts to secure a position as clerk in some of the stores of Nashua and Lowell. Finally, in desperation, he offered to work six months for a dry goods merchant at Nashua for the price of his board, \$2.12½ per week, and the offer was accepted,



his wages were increased to 75 cents per week. At the end of three years' service the factory was destroyed by fire and his family removed to Munson, North Factory Village, where he was employed two years. While working at Barre one of the first strikes that ever occurred in this country took place, now more than fifty years ago. The weavers struck against a reduction in wages, but after being out seven days they were notified to resume their places within three days, under penalty of being blacklisted. They went back to work, as there were no unions at that time. His time was next divided between working on a small farm, which his father had taken, and splitting palm leaves for making palm-leaf hats, then worn by men and boys. In

his cash capital at that time being \$5. He remained in the store two years, when he secured employment in a clothing store. At the end of three years he bought a half interest in the business and the year following became the sole proprietor, continuing in the clothing business up to the present time. While in Nashua he took an active part in public affairs, being twice elected to the common council and the second term being elected president of the board. He was twice elected to the New Hampshire legislature, the Hon. William E. Chandler, now United States Senator, being speaker of the house during his second term. Then he was elected a member of the board of aldermen and one of the members of the select men of the ward,

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being chosen chairman of that body. Mr. Parkhurst came to Quincy in October, 1866, and engaged in the clothing business on Maine street. Before very many years he had become one of the leading clothing merchants of this section, had built and occupied his present elegant stone front business block on Fifth street and had acquired a handsome property, to which he is constantly adding. He has been frequently honored with positions of trust and responsibility, twice elected to the board of supervisors, has served four years as alderman, has been twice elected mayor—the second time without opposition—and has been a member of the Illinois legislature. While he was alderman, he was largely instrumental in bringing about important legislation. As chairman of the light committee he advocated a reduction in the expense of lighting the city and at the same time the extension of the lighting district. Failing to secure any material concessions from the gas company, a contract was made with the American Electric Light Company, then just commencing business here, for 125 arc lights at \$135 each per year, at that time the lowest price paid in the east or west. Since then the lights have been increased in number and reduced in price until Quincy is now one of the best lighted cities in the entire country. It was through his influence that the unsightly and antiquated wooden awnings were removed in the business sections of the city, and cattle and hogs were prevented from running at large. He also devoted much time and attention to the water works question, advocating municipal ownership of the water system. When Mr. Parkhurst went into the mayor's office he was confronted by a desperate condition of affairs. The city had failed to pay interest on its indebtedness, then nearly \$2,000,000, mandamus suits were piling up in the United States courts, bonds to the amount of \$150,000 had to be refunded, a large floating indebtedness provided for and the credit of the city was at the lowest ebb. Quincy six per cent bonds were selling on the market for 93 and 95 cents. His first efforts were to assure the creditors of the city that they would get their money, dollar for dollar, and to stop the mandamus proceedings, thereby cutting off heavy court costs. To accomplish this he advanced his personal credit, pledging himself for a very considerable amount. During his first term as mayor he paid off \$43,000 in floating and past due indebtedness, besides \$18,000 in past due interest on M. and M. bonds. That year \$34,000 was spent on the streets and every department of the city government was fully

maintained. When it came to refunding the bonds, the opinion was general that a 4 or 4½ per cent bond could not be sold. Mr. Parkhurst thought differently and the interest rate was fixed at 4½ per cent. In August he went to the eastern money markets, but received no encouragement whatever, one of the leading eastern financiers informing him that what Quincy most needed was a guarlian. But the mayor was not discouraged. On his return home he called together the leading financial men of the city, but they failed to mature a plan of action, and the mayor devoted his time during the fall and winter endeavoring to re-establish the credit of the city in the hope of convincing the outside world that every obligation of the city would be promptly paid, when due, and all interest payments met. An annual sinking fund of \$25,000 was created. When the bids for the bonds were opened in the spring, to the surprise of the general public, an offer was made to take the entire issue at par with a commission of only 2¾ per cent. During his second term Mayor Parkhurst devoted his attention to keeping down public expenditures and meeting payments on the balance of the debt funding bonds and other past due obligations. Many mandamus suits were threatened, but not one was brought, as he advanced his personal credit to the amount of several thousand dollars and provided for the payment of every obligation of the city. In the two years he paid over \$80,000 in past due obligations and left the city in excellent financial condition. The present magnificent system of public improvements was inaugurated during Mayor Parkhurst's second term, the first brick street paving being laid on the north and east sides of Washington Park and the first sewer building under Article IX, being the trunk sewer from the foot of Delaware street to the river. The far-reaching importance of his services for Quincy, as alderman and mayor, cannot be overestimated.

Mr. Parkhurst was a member of the thirty-seventh general assembly, taking part in the memorable senatorial contest and being numbered with the famous 101 who brought about the election of General John M. Palmer to the United States senate. He served on several important committees in the house, including the Soldiers' Home committee. A much larger appropriation was needed for the Home than had previously been made, but the estimate of Superintendent Rowland was cut down \$35,000 by the appropriations committee. Mr. Parkhurst had always taken a deep interest in the

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Home and at once led the fight in the House to secure the increased appropriation. He was limited to a five-minute speech, but so well did he improve his time and so clearly and forcibly did he present his case that the house voted the full amount asked for, this being one of the notable victories of the session.

The Soldiers' Home was started when Mr. Parkhurst was mayor and he gave freely of his time and means to promoting the interests of this grand institution. In the summer of 1887 he presented the Home a very large United States garrison flag. With the late Colonel Berry he drove out to the grounds and modestly made the presentation to General Lippincott and the board of trustees. The beautiful new flag was first floated from the headquarters building July Fourth of that year and for many years was a silent reminder of the friendship of the donor. The trustees of the Home, at their meeting, July 1, 1887, passed a vote of thanks to Mayor Parkhurst for his timely gift, which action is a part of the records of the institution.

Mr. Parkhurst during recent years has devoted considerable time to travel and has visited nearly all important points in this country and Mexico. While he has large and important business interests he finds ample time for all matters affecting the general welfare and is one of Quincy's most public-spirited, substantial citizens.



ANTONE BINKERT.

Mr. Antone Binkert is one of the oldest residents of Quincy, coming here with his parents from Germany in March, 1837, when he was less than a year old. When his father reached this city his capital consisted of 95 cents, but he was of sturdy stock and quickly secured work. Soon after he came here he was employed in opening Broadway from the river, this work being done for a prospective railroad. He was afterwards employed for about twenty years by Joel Rice in his wholesale iron and grocery house, but later engaged in merchandising for himself, continuing in business until shortly before his death in 1872. When old enough to work, Mr. Antone Binkert learned the trade of carriage maker in the shop of Mr. Weatherwax, which afterward changed hands and was finally bought by E. M. Miller, becoming the foundation for his present factory. He then spent three years on the plains, during the gold excitement, mining in Colorado during the summer. In localities where he prospected in the early days some of the richest mines in Col-

orado have since been discovered. When the war broke out he spent three years in the army and then returned to Quincy and engaged in merchandising, continuing in this business until 1877. Mr. Binkert was elected to the City Council in 1872, but resigned in the fall of the following year to accept the office of city collector, in which there was a vacancy. In 1873 he was elected collector for a full term. In 1877 he was elected county treasurer and re-elected in 1879,



holding over until 1882 on account of a change in the law governing that office. On leaving the treasurer's office the real estate, loan and insurance firm of Binkert & Cruttenden was established, which was continued with uninterrupted success until April, 1897, when Mr. Cruttenden retired and Mr. George A. Binkert became associated with his father under the firm name of A. Binkert & Son. Mr. Binkert was a member of the City Council from 1897 to 1899, representing the Fourth Ward. During his long residence in Quincy he has taken prominent part in the development of the city. He was interested in platting Park Place, one of the finest residence sections of Quincy, and also in other notable residence additions. He was also one of the prime movers in the building of the Newcomb Hotel and the Empire Theater, and has been identified with many other important public enterprises.

LORENZO BULL.
GEORGE WELLS.



J. W. CASSIDY.
THEODORE C. POLING.



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THEODORE C. POLING.

Mr. Poling has established in Quincy a business that is distinctively his own and in which he has made a record of remarkable success. It is a business in which he pioneered his own way, but which has grown to very large proportions. Mr. Poling was born in Middletown, N. J., January 10, 1840. After graduating in the common schools he attended Knox College at Galesburg and left college to enlist in the 137th regiment in the war of the rebellion, also serving in the

interest. This exceptional record, in itself a guarantee of the greatest security, has not been a matter of accident. It has been brought about by the great degree of care which Mr. Poling exercises in his business. He looks up all titles and inspects every piece of property on which a loan is to be made and by assuring himself of every condition affecting the loan protects all of his patrons. Mr. Poling has served in the directory of the Gas Light and Coke Company and



73rd regiment. When he came out of the army he taught school at Payson for a time and studied law. In 1870 he came to this city and the law firm of Davis & Poling was organized. In 1885 this firm was dissolved and Mr. Poling established his present savings and loan office and mortgage banking business. To this he has since devoted his undivided attention. In the thousands of loans which he has placed he has never had a client who has been obliged to take a piece of property on a loan of his making and not one of his customers has lost a dollar in

the Free Public Library and is a director and the treasurer of the Graceland Cemetery Association. He is a director in the Anna Brown Home for the Aged and one of the chief organizers of this grand institution and drew the will by means of which it was founded. He is also one of the trustees of Blessing Hospital. Mr. Poling is a large owner of real estate in Quincy, being interested in several of the more important improvements projected during recent years. His beautiful home in Lawndale is one of the notable residences of the city.

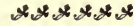
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J. HERMAN HEIDBREDER.

By his own unaided efforts and under most adverse circumstances in early life, Mr. J. Herman Heidbreder, cashier of the State Street Bank, has attained more than ordinary success. He was born in Germany, coming to Quincy with his parents in 1851. His father, mother and three brothers died within nine months after his arrival here, and Herman, then a boy, was thrown on his own resources. Trouble and adversity served to speedily develop the sterling qualities that have characterized his life. He secured a position with C. H. Bastert, on Ninth and State streets, and a year later was employed by Mr. Frank H. Kehlenbrink in his dry goods and grocery store. In 1863 Mr. Kehlenbrink's health failed and so faithful and efficient had the young clerk proven that the rapidly growing business was turned over to him. Mr. Heidbreder continued the business for twenty-two years, increasing the trade largely and building up an important patronage. In 1885 he engaged in the real estate business at Eighth and State streets and five years later, with other prominent business men, started the State Street Bank, taking the responsible position of cashier. The bank has been successful from the start, Mr. Heidbreder having a very wide acquaintance throughout the city and county and commanding the highest confidence of the people gener-

ally. He has always manifested a deep interest in the welfare of the young men and is one of the founders and directors of the Young Men's Christian Association, the beautiful new building on Ninth and State streets being a monument to the generous and public spirited men who made it possible. He is also one of the directors of the public library.



JOHN W. REED.

Mr. John W. Reed, the well-known druggist of Quincy, was born on a farm in Warren County, Illinois, November 19, 1859. His father, Mr. J. D. Reed, is a native of Knox County and moved to Warren after his marriage. Early in the war his father enlisted in the Seventh Illinois Cavalry, commanded by Colonel Edward Prince, and served four years and three months, participating in all of the memorable battles and engagements in which that noted command took part. For a time he was a prisoner of war in Libby prison, but had the good fortune to be exchanged the day before a large number of union soldiers were transferred to Andersonville, and returned to his command. During his early life Mr. J. W. Reed was employed on the home farm. He received a thorough education, and in 1878, desiring a more active life, he



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joined the engineering corps of the Santa Fe Railway, remaining with the corps in New and Old Mexico for three years. He then purchased a drug store at Nickerson, Kan., and from there engaged in the drug business at Memphis, Tenn. In March, 1893, he came to Quincy and purchased the Newcomb Pharmacy. In this business he has been remarkably successful, building up one of the most important drug stores in the city. Early this year his brothers, L. C. and F. G. Reed, became associated with him and a second place of business, the elegant drug store at Fifth and Hampshire streets, one of the handsomest in the west, was opened. Mr. Reed is of an active temperament, throwing his great energy into everything he undertakes, and is well calculated to succeed. He is worshipful master of Lambert Masonic lodge and in Masonic circles, as well as in business, is universally popular.



EDWARD SOHM.

In the large and more important commercial and financial interests of Quincy few men occupy a more commanding position than Mr. Edward Sohm. While he has met with more than the ordinary degrees of prosperity his success is his own, and he has made for himself a name in the commercial world, which is as highly honored in the business centers of the east as it is here at home. Mr. Sohm was born at the old family homestead on Third and York streets, in this city, October 2, 1845. His honored mother, who is still living, is one of the oldest residents of Quincy, having come here in 1834, and his father, Mr. Pantaleon Sohm, located in this city six years later. He passed away in 1885, leaving a good name and the record of a well-spent life. Edward was prepared for college under private tutors, receiving a careful and comprehensive education. When nineteen years of age he taught German for a time and then took charge of St. Boniface school. Deciding to engage in commercial business he resigned this position and accepted a place in the queensware house of Mr. Henry Ridder in 1865. Three years later he was admitted to partnership, continuing a member of the firm of H. Ridder & Co. until January 1, 1884. Then the firm of Sohm, Ricker & Weisenhorn was organized, doing business for ten

years where Hill's carpet store is now located. The business prospered from the first and in 1894 the firm occupied their present extensive queensware house, built expressly for them, and one of the largest and finest in the entire country. Their wholesale trade reaches into all the territory tributary to Quincy, this house being one of the most important in their line in the west. Mr. Sohm was one of the first directors of the Ricker National Bank and was presi-



dent from 1884 to 1897, when he exchanged offices with Mr. H. F. J. Ricker, being now vice-president. He was one of the organizers of the Quincy Freight Bureau and its treasurer, treasurer of the Fireman's Benevolent Institution and president of the Germania Printing Company. In every movement of public importance he is one of the most effective workers and most valued advisors. Though repeatedly tendered prominent public offices he has steadfastly refused, devoting himself entirely to business and to the upbuilding of his native city. To the welfare of Quincy he has always contributed more than his full share. Mr. Sohm was married in 1868 to Miss Mary Barbara Helmer and they have three sons and two daughters.

JESSE E. WEEMS.

Very few men in this locality have had more to do with railroad building and development in this section than Mr. Jesse E. Weems. He was born on a farm in Virginia, August 21, 1831, and comes of an old and eminent family. His grandfather, Mason Lock Weems, was the pastor of the church at Mount Vernon, which President George Washington attended, and who wrote the original life of Washington, the first to record the story of the cherry tree. When eigh-

teen years of age, Mr. Jesse E. Weems went to Washington to complete his education as an engineer. He then went out with the boundary line commission which located the division between the United States and Mexico, this being his first engineering work. In 1853 he came west and located at Augusta, in Hancock County, being engaged as engineer on the Northern Cross Railroad, of which the late Nehemiah Bushnell was president. He was employed on what was called the middle division, between Camp Point and Macomb. In 1859 he built the Quincy & Palmyra road, from West



Quincy to Palmyra. Stephen Holmes was the first president and the road was afterwards sold to officials of the Wabash and later became a part of the Hannibal & St. Joseph Railway. Mr. Weems was county surveyor of Hancock County for two years, and afterwards built the Illinois & Southern Iowa Railway, from Clayton to Keokuk, which was later consolidated with the Wabash Railway. In 1865 he accepted a position as passenger conductor on the Wabash,

which he held until 1893. Few men on the entire system were better known and none were more popular with the traveling public or more highly regarded by the officials. After resigning his railroad position, he engaged in the ice-making business in Texas, but in 1894 returned to Quincy to take the active management of the Pure Ice and Cold Storage Company of this city, in which his two sons are interested with him. Mr. Weems carries his honors with the greatest degree of modesty and few outside the circle of his older and most intimate friends know that he figured so prominently in the early development of this section.

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MILTON K. AND FRANK H. WEEMS.

Though among the younger of the representative business men of Quincy, Messrs. Milton K. and Frank H. Weems are among the most prominent and successful. In less than twenty years they have built up the most important laundry business in the west and an extensive artificial ice and cold storage industry. They are the sons of Mr. Jesse E. Weems. Mr. Milton K. Weems was born on a farm near Augusta, in Hancock County, December 1, 1859, and came to Quincy

years ago extensive dye works were added to the laundry business. In 1894 the Pure Ice Company was started, suitable buildings being built on South Front street, a number of artesian wells being sunk to insure an abundant supply of pure water. This industry grew as rapidly as the laundry business. New buildings have been added, including large cold storage warehouses, and the plant now has a capacity for making thirty-five tons of ice per day and stor-



in June, 1870. His first work as a boy was carrying newspapers. In September, 1877, he went into the banking house of L. & C. H. Bull, remaining there nearly two years, when he decided to go into the laundry business. Mr. Frank H. Weems was born in Keokuk, May 21, 1862, and came to Quincy in June, 1870. Like his brother, he was a newspaper carrier for a time and then took a position on Swope's farm, leaving the farm to join in the laundry venture. The wheels of the laundry were started for the first time July 4, 1879, in the small building on Jersey street, east of Seventh. From a very modest beginning, with but little capital, the business grew rapidly and in 1888 they purchased the property and built the present building on Fifth and Jersey streets, one of the largest and most completely equipped laundry establishments in the entire country. Seven

age capacity for 30,000 barrels. Side tracks lead direct to the buildings. Mr. Milton K. Weems is president of the Weems Laundry Company, of Quincy and Springfield, Ill., a large laundry having been established in the latter city, and he is treasurer of the Pure Ice Company. Mr. Frank H. Weems is president of the Pure Ice Company and secretary and treasurer of the Weems Laundry Company. Together the two brothers own the extensive dye works. Last fall the coal business was also taken up and has proven most successful. Starting in business before they had attained their majority, the remarkable success of Messrs. Milton and Frank Weems has not been a matter of accident. They have earned their good fortune by reason of those qualities from which successful men are made, and they are universally respected by reason of their sterling worth.

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J. W. CASSIDY.

The development of the business of the Cassidy Commission Company, of which Mr. J. W. Cassidy is the president and the active manager, has been phenomenal. In less than five years he has built up the largest business of this kind in the United States, outside of the leading commercial centers, an enterprise creditable alike to Quincy and to the man who has created it. Mr. Cassidy was born on a farm in Kankakee County, Illinois, January 20, 1865, his father being a native of New York. He enjoyed the advantages of a common school education and when nineteen years old went into the nursery business as a salesman on the road. In this he was so successful that in three years he purchased an interest in the business, which he carried on until he came to Quincy in 1894 to embark in the commission business. At the outset the offices of the company were equipped with direct private wires to the grain, provision and stock exchanges of Chicago, St. Louis and New York, the same facilities being afforded patrons as are provided in the larger cities. The business was successful from the start. As the patronage increased branch offices were established in a number of other cities and at the opening of the present year the Cassidy Commission Company was incorporated with a capital of \$100,000, some of the leading business

men of the city becoming interested in the company. Mr. Cassidy is a member of the Chicago Board of Trade and the St. Louis Merchants' Exchange. His home in Quincy, on Locust Boulevard, is one of the most elegant and spacious suburban homes in Central Illinois. A public-spirited and progressive business man, he has taken an active interest in the development of the park and boulevard system and is a liberal supporter of all worthy charitable and public enterprises.



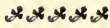
CHARLES C. OSBORN.

Mr. Charles C. Osborn, president of the Quincy Coal Company, was born in Waverly, Ohio, January 19, 1842, and came here with his parents in 1846. His father, the late H. S. Osborn, was a member of the firm of Wheeler, Osborn & Co., which operated the old Eagle Mills at Front and Broadway, and later the extensive plant of the same name on Broadway and Second street. He was also president of the Quincy Coal Company, a director in the gas company and the First National Bank. For a long term of years he was one of the most prominent business men of the city, active in every public enterprise and his contributions to worthy charitable causes were most liberal. When failing health com-



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pelled him to retire from active business he located at San Diego, Cal., where he died November 24, 1895. His son Charles learned the milling business in the old Eagle Mills and continued in this business until he identified himself with the Quincy Coal Company in 1875 and finally succeeding his father as president. He is also interested in the coal mines at Lewistown and Farmington. He is a worthy successor of an old and honored citizen. Mr. Osborn has been for many years a trustee of the Vermont Street M. E. Church and one of its most active and liberal supporters.



GEORGE C. PARKHURST.

Though one of the younger of the representative business men of Quincy, Mr. George C. Parkhurst enjoys the distinction of having held commissions from four of the governors of Illinois. His first commission was issued by Governor Oglesby as second lieutenant of Company D, Illinois National Guard, and his final promotion was to the position of colonel on the staff of Governor Altgeld. In early life he developed a liking for military affairs and unusual ability as an organizer and commander. After completing a comprehensive common school education he attended the military academy at Orchard Lake, Mich., acquitting himself with honors in that noted school. On returning to Quincy he enlisted as a private in Company D, but within two weeks after enlisting he was appointed sergeant. Other promotions followed until he was commissioned first lieutenant, which office he resigned when he engaged in business in the east. In 1893 he was appointed a member of Governor Altgeld's staff, and commissioned colonel, serving as secretary and treasurer of the staff organization. With Governor Altgeld he participated in all of the notable functions in Chicago during the World's Columbian Exposition, the dedication of the soldiers' monuments at Chattanooga, the laying of the corner stones of state institutions at Peoria, Charleston and Rock Island and also served during each of the state encampments at Springfield. In his younger days he was drum major of the first democratic drum corps, an

organization that became famous throughout the west for its elegant and striking uniform, its wonderful drill and its stirring martial music.

Nearly all of his business life Mr. Parkhurst has been identified with the extensive clothing house of his father, the Hon. Jonathan Parkhurst. In 1890 he went to Springfield, Mass., as business manager of a large factory devoted to making ladies' gowns, but he returned to Quincy in February, 1891. In 1895 the Park-



hurst-Duker Clothing Company was organized and he became secretary and treasurer. February 1, 1898, the title was changed to the Parkhurst Clothing Company, of which he is still secretary and treasurer. Active and progressive in business and in public affairs he is one of the younger business men who is making the Quincy of to-day. Mr. Parkhurst was married April 26, 1892, to Miss Margaret Zoe Haselwood and their beautiful home on East Maine street is one of the finest of the modern residences of the city.

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VOLK, JONES & McMEIN.

Within a very few years Messrs. Volk, Jones & McMein have built up one of the largest and most important printing, publishing and blank book making houses in the entire west. In April, 1883, Messrs. Volk and Jones bought out the job printing business of the Whig. At that time the equipment consisted of one cylinder and one Gordon press and a limited quantity of type. In 1886 they were joined by Mr. McMein. Not long after they removed to the second floor

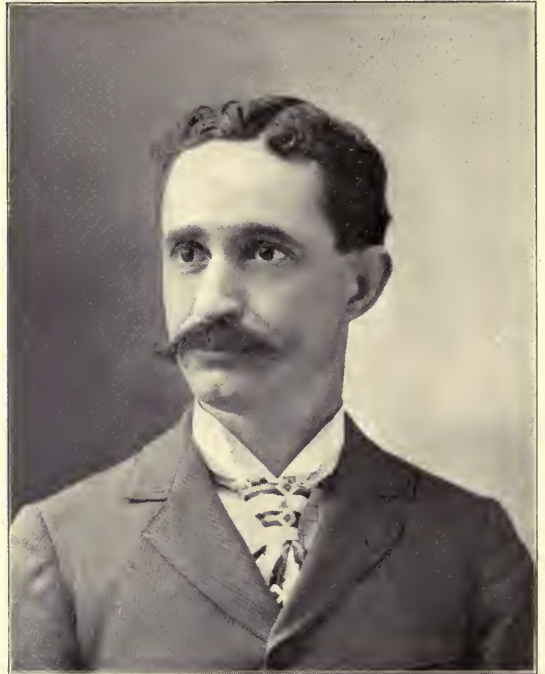
CORNELIUS G. VOLK.

Mr. Volk was born in Rock Island, Ill., March 30, 1858. His father had then been a resident of Quincy for ten years, but was temporarily located with his family at Rock Island and returned here soon after. The late C. G. Volk, Sr., was a noted sculptor, his designs for the Lincoln and Lovejoy monuments and the statue of Governor Wood gaining for



CORNELIUS G. VOLK.

of the Powers' building, where their entire office was destroyed by fire in May, 1897. The day of the fire they leased their present large three-story and basement building on Hampshire street, and to-day they have new cylinder and platen presses, a linotype or type-casting machine, a full complement of new printing material and a very large and fully equipped book bindery and blank book factory. It is an establishment that would do credit to Chicago or St. Louis, and the work which they turn out is exceeded by very few offices in the larger cities in volume or in quality. The lives of these three men have been closely identified with each other. In boyhood they worked together, their young manhood was spent in the same office and they have been associated with each other all of their active business lives, each contributing his full share to building up the extensive house which they now conduct.



GERALD F. JONES.

him a national reputation. He died only last year, but he has left behind him enduring monuments that have made his name famous. In June, 1873, the boy secured a minor position in the business department of the Whig. He was zealous and faithful and was advanced to the position of collector and then became book-keeper. The ordinary amusements of boyhood had but little attraction for him and when still young he assumed responsibilities far beyond his years. When he bought out the Whig job printing department in 1883, with Mr. Jones, neither was satisfied with the patronage that came to them, but both worked zealously for larger and better things. Both he and his associates in business fully merit the success they have gained. Mr. Volk was married September 21, 1882, to Miss Emma F. Corley. Their only son, William C. Volk, is now a student at Knox Academy, at Galesburg.

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GERALD F. JONES.

Mr. Gerald F. Jones was born in Quincy, January 21, 1859. His father, the late W. C. Jones, was engaged in steamboating for many years on the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers and located in Quincy in the early '50s. When ten years of age Gerald took a position as carrier boy in the Whig office. As a boy he was a remarkably rapid worker and was absolutely trustworthy and reliable. He could fold more papers than any other carrier. He had the longest route,

WILLIAM H. McMEIN.

Mr. William H. McMein was born in New York City February 9, 1860, and came to Quincy with his parents in 1865. His first work was that of carrier boy in the Whig office. When fourteen years old he commenced learning the printer's trade in the Whig newsroom and as soon as he had served his time was given the advertising cases. An expert printer, trustworthy and reliable, he soon became foreman of



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and there were never any complaints from his subscribers. When his schooling was completed he learned the printing trade in the Whig job rooms. He mastered every department of the printing business and was expert in them all. With him it was never how much he could save himself, but rather how great an amount of work he could turn out. The habit of untiring industry formed when he was a boy has characterized his after life and has made him a power in whatever he undertakes. He has devoted himself to the business with which he is identified and has contributed his full share towards making his extensive printing house and bindery one of the most important in the west. Mr. Jones was married October 9, 1883, to Miss Harriet P. Corley, and they have one daughter.

the newsroom and later telegraph editor. Peculiarly fitted for newspaper work, a rapid and successful writer, he took up the work of the city editor's department and would have become managing editor of the paper if he had not joined Messrs. Volk and Jones in the job printing business in 1886. In his present business as printer and publisher his extended newspaper experience is of the greatest value to him. Mr. McMein was elected alderman of the Seventh Ward in 1897 and re-elected last spring. He has served most acceptably on the auditing committee, the board of health and the committee on streets. He was married January 6, 1886, to Miss Lydia E. Warfield, daughter of Mr. W. S. Warfield, and they have one daughter and one son.



E. M. BOTSFORD.
GEORGE C. FARKHURST.

H. A. WILLIAMSON.
W. T. DUKER.

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CHARLES AND DAVID STERN.

The very large and important business of Joseph Stern & Sons was inaugurated by Mr. Charles Stern when he was only sixteen years of age. He was born in Richmond, Va., February 10, 1851. Going to New York with his father when he was quite young he enjoyed excellent educational advantages, attending the public schools, Saxk Institute and Bryant & Stratton's Commercial College. He worked in a wholesale clothing house in New York for a few months,

college. January 1, 1871, he came to Quincy to go into the clothing store, then fairly established. He was also young, but was not lacking in every business requirement. The two brothers devoted their entire time to their business. They carefully studied the wants of the trade, meeting every requirement and gradually elevated the standard of ready-made clothing. In 1876 Mr. David Stern became a partner in the business. From the start the



CHARLES STERN.



DAVID STERN.

but in February, 1867, his father decided to open a clothing store in Quincy and placed it in charge of his son, the father spending most of his time in New York looking after his eastern interests and making occasional visits to his store in the west. The boy was young in years for so responsible a trust, but he at once developed remarkable business capacity and unusual ability. He made the people his personal friends and fully identified himself with his new home. The venture was successful from the start, the business grew rapidly, and in 1872 Mr. Charles Stern was admitted to partnership.

Mr. David Stern was born in Richmond May 9, 1855, and, like his brother, attended the public schools, private school and business

growth of this house has been rapid and uninterrupted until now Mr. Charles and David Stern are generally recognized as among the largest and most successful merchants in the west. They are still young men, but they have one of the largest and finest business blocks in this section, where they conduct the clothing, merchant tailoring, shoe and gents' furnishing trade. Their business house is a credit to their push and energy and a credit to Quincy. In all matters of public enterprise they are among the first and most liberal contributors, and they have done their full share in the development of the city. Mr. Joseph Stern, the senior member of the firm, still resides in New York, an honored and respected citizen.



GEORGE H. STAHL.

Mr. George H. Stahl, manufacturer of the Excelsior Incubator, and one of Quincy's most successful business men, is self-made, and his success has been achieved in a very short term of years. He was born in Virginia City, Nev., February 29, 1864, a son of Mr. Solomon Stahl. Coming here with his parents two years later, he was given a thorough common school and commercial education and then worked for his father in the fruit and produce business. He early developed mechanical and inventive genius and turning his attention to artificial incubation, then coming into considerable prominence, in 1886, placed the Excelsior incubator on the market. The first two years were full of discouragement. The great masses of the people had never before heard of hatching eggs by artificial means and had to be educated. Having full confidence in his project, however, Mr. Stahl redoubled his efforts. The third year he was rewarded by a large business, which has increased steadily each succeeding year. He now has a five-story factory building of his own, devoted exclusively to the manufacture of incubators, and the Excelsior is sold and used in every country on the globe where artificial incubation is practiced. Mr. Stahl is as popular as he is prominent. While he is a man of decided opinions of his own and a busy man at all times, he is always approachable. His charity is dispensed with a most generous hand and he is a firm friend and liberal supporter of every worthy cause.

L. B. BARTLETT.

Mr. L. B. Bartlett, secretary and treasurer of the Quincy Casket Company, was born in this city October 11, 1862. As a boy he was ambitious for a business career and started out early in life. His first work was in the office of the Bradstreet Commercial Agency when Mr. James A. Parkins was the Quincy agent. Then he worked for a time for Clark & Morgan, packing crackers. At sixteen he had arrived at full manhood and was fully competent for a man's work. Accepting a position as bookkeeper in the wholesale hat and cap house of Wood Brothers, he remained with them until they retired from business. He afterwards filled similar responsible positions with the Turner Tobacco Company, the Union Bank, Cincinnati Coffin Company and Isaac Lesem & Co., and on November 1, 1885, was one of the organizers of the Quincy Casket Company. The business was immediately successful and by reason of push and energy this house has become one of the most important in this line of trade in the entire west. Mr. Bartlett is characterized by close and constant application to business and has made for himself an enviable position in the commercial world. He was married November 19, 1885, to Miss Letitia Trowbridge, and they have two promising sons, Richard Sylvester and Bennett Watson.



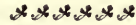
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FREDERICK W. HALBACH.

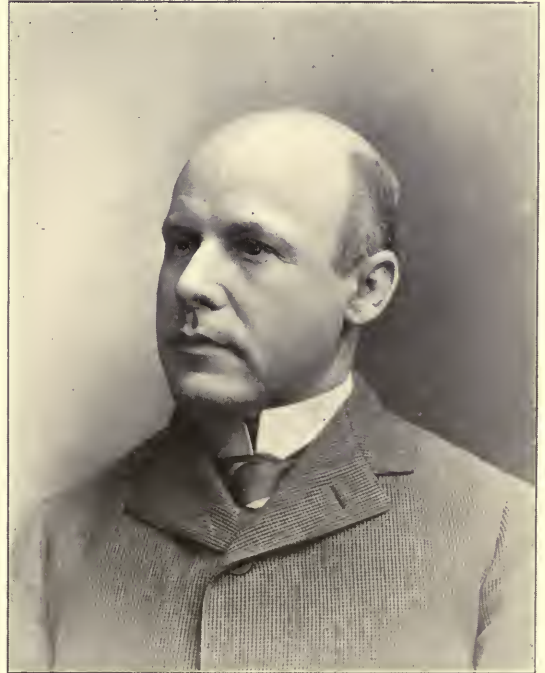
Mr. Frederick W. Halbach was born in Prussia in 1847. His father was a physician, and he was given a thorough collegiate education. In his eighteenth year he decided to come to America, and for two years was engaged in the dry goods business in New York. In 1866 he came to Quincy and engaged in the same line, and in 1873 the present firm of Halbach & Schroeder was organized, opening a store where the Tenk Hardware Company is now located. At the end of the first year they removed to the Benneson block, where they remained for twenty-five years. During the present spring they occupied their present quarters, the four-story and basement Powers' building, corner Sixth and Maine streets. The business career of Mr. Halbach has been one of uninterrupted advancement. He is a fair type of a prosperous, successful merchant. His undivided attention has been devoted to his business, which has grown steadily year by year. The requirements of the public have been carefully studied and each season they have been fully supplied. Each year the business of the firm of which he is the head, has shown a substantial increase, their facilities have been enlarged from time to time, until they now have one of the largest and finest houses in their line in any western city. Mr. Halbach stands for everything that is

reliable and responsible and is one of Quincy's most prominent and successful business men. He was married in 1870 to Miss Fredericke Kespohl, and they have five daughters and three sons. Their spacious home on East Maine street always affords a most hospitable welcome to their many friends.



LEWIS B. BOSWELL.

Out of his own unaided efforts and under more than ordinary adverse circumstances, Mr. Lewis B. Boswell, has carved his success. He was born in New Orleans September 15, 1855. His father, T. C. Boswell, was one of the pioneer steamboatmen on the lower river and was widely known in the early days. His mother, nee Georgiana Davis, was one of the most beautiful and brilliant women of the south. Her broad culture, happy disposition and kindly charity made her a universal favorite, and her death in this city in 1888 was most sincerely mourned. In 1866, soon after the death of his father, Mr. Lewis Boswell came to Quincy with his mother and younger sister. Adversity made it necessary for him to early provide for the family support, and when fourteen years of age he obtained a position in the Dollar Store. Three years later he went into the office of the Vand-



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ver Corn Planter Company as office boy and commenced the earnest work of his life. Devoted only to his work and to his mother and sister, he made rapid advancement, securing the position of bookkeeper, and in 1880 was elected secretary of the company. In 1893 he was made manager and in 1895 became president, holding the latter responsible office until the business of the company was closed out. In the fall of 1897 he was elected commissioner of the newly organized Quincy Freight Bureau and in that position he has been a power for good for Quincy. A man of fine presence, a ready speaker and a close writer, he has a thorough and comprehensive practical knowledge of every department of the freight business. Under his administration many evils and discriminations against Quincy shippers have been corrected, and from a railroad standpoint the interests of the city have been very materially advanced. Mr. Boswell is one of the incorporators of the newly organized Quincy Belt Line & Terminal Company. February 12, 1896, Mr. Boswell was married to Miss Nora Roland, of Kansas City, and they have one son and one daughter, Dorothy and Roland.



RUDOLPH TENK.

Mr. Rudolph Tenk, one of the most capable and successful of the younger business men of Quincy, was brought up in the extensive business in which he has become a most important factor. He is a son of Mr. Henry Tenk and was born in this city April 2, 1872. As a boy he manifested far more than ordinary ability for mercantile work and when thirteen years of age took a position in the hardware house of H. & J. H. Tenk. He was advanced step by step, thoroughly learning every department of the extensive wholesale and retail business. When the Tenk Hardware Company was incorporated in 1891 he was made a director and later was elected secretary. The development of the business has been rapid, until this is now one of the most important wholesale hardware houses in the west. The main building was rebuilt and materially enlarged in 1891 and in 1894 a large

wholesale warehouse was built in the rear. With the increasing demand for electrical goods and electrical supplies an electrical department was added six years ago, which is under the personal direction of Mr. Tenk and which has become one of the features of the business. He is the pioneer in this line of work in Quincy and installed the first electric elevator here, and at St. Francis College put in the first electric lighting plant operated by a gasoline engine. The



electric work for St. John's Church, the large business block of the Halbach-Schroeder Dry Goods Company and other notable work of this character was put in under his direction. Mr. Tenk now does all of the buying for the company in all departments and is considered authority in everything pertaining to the hardware and electrical trade. A man of unusually fine appearance and address, he is as popular as he is efficient in business circles. He was married November 21, 1894, to Miss Anna Hagel, of Mount Sterling, Ill., and they have two daughters.

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BERNARD H. MILLER.

Mr. Bernard H. Miller is an energetic representative of the active business men of Quincy, a splendid exemplar of the hustling, enterprising business spirit which has made this city one of the most beautiful and progressive towns in the entire west. He was born at Norden, Germany, January 4, 1848, and the year following his parents came to this country, remaining in New Orleans for a short time and locating in this city April 15, 1850. His first work was selling newspapers during the war on the McCune line of packets. March 1, 1864, he secured a place in the drug store of Adolph Zimmerman at 504 Hampshire street, but the following fall obtained a position in the laboratory of Jacob S. Merrill, in St. Louis, and was later employed by E. J. Williamson, in the same city. He was one of the original members of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy. In 1866 he returned to Quincy to accept the position of pharmacist with Rutherford, Hurlbert & Co., afterwards Sommer & Metz, and three years later associated himself with the late George Terdengé and purchased the drug store at Ninth and Broadway. In 1874 the firm of Sommer, Miller & Terdengé was formed and the present store at 502 Maine street was opened. The year following, Mr. Albert Sellner became interested in the business, Mr. Sommer retiring. On January 1, 1884, Mr. W.

H. Arthur bought out Mr. Terdengé's interest, and on January 1, 1889, Messrs. Miller & Arthur became the sole proprietors. Mr. Miller is one of the most active of the public-spirited business men of the city. He was one of the organizers of the original board of commerce, a member of the committee that organized the great demonstration when the Soldiers' Home was dedicated, was chairman of the executive committee that conducted the memorable fall celebration in 1887 when the treasury showed a balance of over \$1,500, and he has been active in organizing nearly every public demonstration held in recent years. Mr. Miller was married June 6, 1872, to Miss Harriet Hanshall, of this city, and they have two daughters and one son.



WILLIAM H. ARTHUR.

Mr. William H. Arthur was born in this city January 16, 1852. His father, the late James Arthur, was one of the early settlers of Quincy and for more than fifty years was one of the most highly honored citizens. Largely engaged in the pork packing and sawmill business for a long term of years, he was widely known as a successful and prosperous business man. Of a quiet, kindly nature, a man of broad charity, he



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was universally loved and respected. He passed away in February of the present year at the venerable age of eighty-seven years and his death is mourned in many homes. His son, William H., is much like his father, possessing his self-reliance, genial nature, close application and sterling business qualities. After completing his common school education he attended Knox College, but being desirous of engaging in active business went into the book store of Dayton & Arthur, having the office management of their large wholesale and retail business. Later he accepted a position of trust with Gardner & Robertson at their hardware store and when they sold their hardware business he became office manager at their extensive factory. In 1879 Mr. Arthur went to Atchison, Kan., where he engaged in the book and stationery business with his brother, Newman, meeting with the greatest degree of success. In 1883 he returned to Quincy and purchased an interest in the drug business, with which he has since been identified, the firm being Miller, Arthur & Sellner. In 1888 the interest of Mr. Sellner was purchased and the firm has since been Miller & Arthur. During this long and successful partnership, Mr. Arthur has had charge of the financial department of the business, for which he is eminently fitted. Like his father he has never sought public office, attending carefully to business and his heavy wholesale and retail drug trade is the best evidence of his success.



ELIJAH D. YOUNG.

In the early days in Quincy Mr. John Byrd Young, father of Mr. E. D. Young, was one of the noted men of the west. He was connected with the Byrd, Boone and others of the most prominent families of Kentucky and located in this city in 1836. Purchasing a considerable tract of land near Third and Hampshire streets he built the Virginia Hotel on the corner where the Schott buildings now stand, at that time the most desirable location in the city. For many years this was the leading hotel of this entire section of country and sheltered many of the eminent men of the day. Back of the hotel Mr. Young built the first livery stable in Quincy. He was famous as a trader and took boat loads of horses and mules to New Orleans, bringing back sugar and molasses. He also built the first

stove and tin store in Quincy, located where the First National Bank building now stands. Mr. Young died during the fearful cholera epidemic of 1852. Mrs. Young, a descendant of an old Pennsylvania Dutch family and a woman of rare culture and refinement, lived to the advanced age of 85 years and died three years ago. After completing a comprehensive education Mr. E. D. Young took a position as traveling salesman for the wall paper, paint and oil house of D. E. Lynds. In 1875, with his brother, John B., he



bought out the business and the firm of Young Brothers was established, having now been in business here nearly twenty-five years. In 1887 Mr. John B. Young went to Wichita, Kan., and established a branch house, and in both cities they have been very successful. In interior decoration Mr. E. D. Young is an artist of the highest ability. Possessing unusual talent in color and design he has been instrumental in materially elevating the standard of decorative work in Quincy. Many of the most artistic homes in the city bear evidence of his genius. Mr. Young married March 4, 1891, Miss Della Buckley, daughter of the late E. H. Buckley.

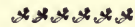
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JULIUS KESPOHL.

An active experience of forty years in the wholesale and retail dry goods business of Quincy has made Mr. Julius Kespohl one of the most widely and familiarly known merchants of the west. He has been a leader in the jobbing as well as in the retail trade, conducting for some years one of the most important wholesale dry goods houses in the Central Mississippi Valley. Mr. Kespohl was born at Borgholzhausen, Prussia, the center of the great linen district, May 8, 1844, and came to this country with his parents in his boyhood, locating in Quincy in 1857. After completing a comprehensive education he accepted a position as clerk in a retail dry goods store on the north side of Washington Park. In 1864 he engaged in business for himself, on Maine street, where the Tenk Hardware Company is now located, building up a very large trade. Ten years later he sold out his business and devoted nearly a year to travel in Europe. On returning to Quincy he again engaged in the dry goods trade and in 1875 built the building on Third and Hampshire streets, now occupied by the Schott Saddlery Company, where he established one of the most extensive wholesale dry goods houses in the Mississippi Valley. For five years he carried on an immense business and in 1880 closed it out to engage in the wholesale and retail trade at Lin-

coln, Neb. In a short time Mr. Kespohl again returned to Quincy to fit up in the Newcomb block, on Fourth and Maine streets, the finest retail dry goods house in the city. His next location was at Sixth and Hampshire streets, but last spring he returned to the Newcomb block, and the Kespohl-Mohrenstecher Dry Goods Company was organized, to combine the wholesale and retail trade. During his long residence in Quincy Mr. Kespohl has been active in many public enterprises and is recognized as one of the most enterprising and progressive men of the city.



WILLIAM S. FLACK.

Mr. William S. Flack was born in Lincoln County, Kentucky, his grandfather having located there before it was admitted to statehood. The young man was brought up on the home farm in the days when schools were not very numerous, but he made the most of his limited educational advantages. In 1851 he came to this city and learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for several years. In 1861 he commenced shipping and handling live stock, carrying on this business extensively. Seven years later he accepted the position of



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live stock agent for the Wabash Railway, which he held for twelve years, few men being more widely or favorably known to the stock raisers of the west and southwest. In 1881 the lumber firm of Flack & Bristol succeeded to the retail business of the Quincy Lumber Company. From 1886 to 1890 Mr. Flack was interested in the saw mill of the Peters Lumber Company at Brewton, Ala., and was the local manager. On his return to Quincy he was interested in the grain and produce business with George H. Walker for three years and then returned to the lumber business, in which he is still engaged. Mr. Flack is one of the three constituent members of the Vermont Street Baptist Church now living. He has always taken an active interest in Sunday school work, being superintendent of Spruce Street Baptist Sunday school and having been superintendent of the Vermont Street Baptist Sunday school several years. There are no better men.



O. B. GORDON.

Mr. O. B. Gordon is, like his business associate, Mr. Upham, a descendant of pioneers of New England. He was born in Fremont, N. H., July 7, 1845, both his father and mother having

been old residents of New England. He came to Quincy with his parents in 1860, being then a boy of fifteen, and by his own abilities and unremitting attention to duty has risen to a place of eminence in the commercial world. He was educated in the public schools of Quincy and Quincy college, and commenced his commercial life with employment in his father's store. In August, 1867, he accepted a position in the shoe store of C. Brown, Jr., and four and a half years later acquired an interest in the business. That continued six years and a half, when the firm of Upham, Gordon & Co. succeeded Mr. Brown, who wished to retire from active life. The business continued to enlarge under the energetic and enterprising administration of the new firm until the quarters on Hampshire street became inadequate and they removed to their present large building in Wholesale Row on Third street. Their trade extends all over the west, their traveling men traversing almost every state between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains.

Mr. Gordon is a quiet and unassuming gentleman, devoting himself to his business, his family and his home, but his influence is far reaching and the soundness of his judgment in all affairs is universally recognized. His home is at Sixteenth and Jersey streets, and there his friends find a most delightful host and hostess. Mrs. Gordon is a charming lady, and is active in many charitable and philanthropic enterprises of a practical nature, her mother, Mrs. Adams, being one of the original promoters of the Young Women's Christian Home



JOHN L. BERT.

Very few of the present residents of Quincy date back so far as Mr. John L. Bert, who has lived here continuously more than sixty years. He was born in St. Louis, Mo., April 7, 1835, and came here with his parents in July of the same year. His father, the late Jean Phillippe Bert, was for many years the leading merchant tailor of the city. He first located here in February, 1835, and built a home on the east side of Fourth street, between Maine and Jersey, which was ready for occupancy when the family arrived. He continued in the merchant tailoring business up to the time of his death, in 1860. Mr. John L. Bert was first employed as a clerk in the dry goods store of John Murphy, on the north side of the square, in 1853. Two years later he secured a position in the dry goods and



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carpet store of Henry Root, remaining with him until 1865, when he associated himself with Mr. Van B. Shinn and Mr. Fred T. Hill and bought out the business, the firm being Shinn, Bert & Hill. On the death of Mr. Shinn, the year following, the firm became Bert & Hill and was so continued until January 1, 1871, when Mr. Bert became sole proprietor. In 1879 Mr. Bert built his present handsome stone-front carpet house, one of the finest business blocks in Quincy. For more than thirty years he has been engaged in business on the west side of Washington Park and all of his long and active business experience has been on the square. In the growth and development of the city he has borne his full share of the burdens and has assisted materially in making Quincy a beautiful city. Mr. Bert was married in 1860 to Miss Mary E. Fox and they have one son, Mr. Harry L. Bert, who is associated with his father in business.



J. H. TENK.

The hardware house of which Mr. J. H. Tenk is one of the founders is widely known throughout the west and has become one of the most extensive concerns in this line of business in Illinois. The business partakes of the character of the men who have made it what it is—solid, substantial, progressive. The growth has been

steady from the first, until the present company is in position to compete with the leading houses of the larger cities. Mr. Tenk was born in Westphalia, Germany, in 1837, and came to this country with his parents in 1844. After six months' residence in St. Louis he located in Quincy, where he enjoyed the advantages of an excellent education. His first position was that of clerk in the dry goods and grocery store of B. Lubbe, on Fifth and Maine streets. He was then employed by Ricker & Arntzen and was afterwards connected with Sawyer & Adams for ten years. In 1865 the hardware firm of H. & J. H. Tenk was organized, their store being where Hill's carpet house is now located. Ten years later they bought their present property. Successful from the start, the growth of their business has made it necessary to very largely increase their facilities from time to time, their main building being rebuilt and remodeled and an immense warehouse being added in the rear. When the Tenk Hardware Company was incorporated in 1891, Mr. Tenk became treasurer, and he is still active in the management of the immense business. In 1866 Mr. Tenk was married and his family now consists of wife and four children. Mr. Tenk was treasurer of the St. Aloysius Orphan Society for ten years and is one of the directors of the Ricker National Bank.



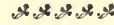
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JAMES E. MacMURRAY.

Mr. James E. MacMurray, president and general manager of the Quincy Hardware Manufacturing Company, was born on a farm in Knox county, Missouri, August 7, 1862. His grandfather moved from Kentucky to Knox county in 1829 and his father was born there in 1837. On his mother's side he is a grandson of General Martin E. Green, who was prominent in the civil war, and a nephew of James Green, United States senator from Missouri during the rebellion. He lived on the home farm until he was seventeen, but was always anxious to secure an education and taught school until he saved money enough to attend the graded school at Canton, Mo. He then taught graded school until he was able to enter Chaddock College, where he graduated from the scientific and law departments in 1884, working at odd times to maintain his expenses. Mr. MacMurray was admitted to the bar in June, 1884, practicing law with the late Aaron MacMurray up to the time of his death, when the firm of MacMurray & Swope was organized. Desiring to engage in commercial business he bought a controlling interest in the Quincy Hardware Manufacturing Company in 1890, then an unimportant enterprise, doing a limited business. To this business he devoted himself with tireless energy. His inventive genius was of the highest advantage

to him and the development of this enterprise has been little short of phenomenal. In less than ten years it has grown to a very large factory and its products are shipped abroad as well as being sold throughout this country. Mr. MacMurray was a member of the city council in 1895-6, serving as chairman of the ordinance committee. He was married in 1887 to Miss Katie L. Merrill, of Perry, Ill., a classmate of Mr. W. J. Bryan. They have two daughters and one son and their beautiful and spacious home is one of the most hospitable in Quincy.



E. H. OSBORN.

Mr. E. H. Osborn was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., July 17, 1841. He comes of loyal New England stock, his great grandfather serving in the revolutionary war. At the breaking out of the rebellion he enlisted in the Eighty-seventh New York Volunteer Infantry, which was afterwards consolidated with the Fortieth New York, Mr. Osborn serving as sergeant of Company H. His regiment was one of the most noted military organizations of the Empire State, participating in all of the desperate battles of the Army of the Potomac and losing during the war over 1,200 men. He came to Quincy February 22, 1865, to accept the position of cashier for the



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Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway Company, which he held for five years, and shortly after engaged in his present real estate and loan business. Six years ago he organized the Adams County Abstract Company, in which he is the principal stockholder, the set of abstract books being the best and most complete in the United States. His long experience in the real estate business and his complete and comprehensive knowledge of everything affecting titles and pertaining to property have enabled him to perfect a set of books that are absolutely reliable and considered models. Mr. Osborn has been prominently identified with the real estate and loan business of Quincy for twenty-four years and has negotiated many important property transactions. He is also a large owner of desirable property. For many years he has taken an active interest in the welfare of the veterans, being past commander of John Wood Post, Grand Army of the Republic, he has served repeatedly on the staff of the commander in chief and is the treasurer of the Illinois Soldiers' and Sailors' Home. He served in the city council in 1888 and 1889 and was the prime mover in brick paving, as well as the crusade which took the cows off the public streets. In Masonic circles he is also prominent, being past master of Quincy lodge, and a member of the chapter, council, consistory and a Knight Templar. In all that pertains to the welfare of Quincy Mr. Osborn is a representative citizen.



ANDREW DOERR.

The business possibilities of this country are fairly demonstrated by the experience of Mr. Andrew Doerr, proprietor of the largest merchandising establishment in Quincy and the largest department store in Western Illinois. Mr. Doerr was born in Germany January 10, 1843, and received a fair common school education. When a boy he engaged in peddling and in running a stand at the Jahrmarts, going from city to city and traveling on foot. He was then a soldier in the regular German army, but the life was too slow for his active temperament, and in 1866 he came to America, locating in this city. The first year he worked at cigar making and then went into the dry goods store of Ruff & Roe as a clerk, remaining four years. In 1872 he bought a little stock of merchandise and started a store of his own on Maine street, near Sixth. His business prospered and he soon moved to a larger store and still later to the

Miller building, on Sixth and Hampshire streets. In 1885 he leased the two corner stores and the basement of the opera house block. Three years later he bought the entire property, occupying the remaining stores in the block. For six years he conducted the opera house, in addition to his regular business, and for three years was his own opera house manager, making all of the bookings and attending to every detail of the business. He brought to Quincy the best attractions on the road and proved a most successful



amusement manager. When the Empire Theater was completed Mr. Doerr abandoned the amusement business, rebuilt his big building, converting it into a six-story and basement department store. He manages the entire business, his capacity for details being apparently limitless. It is an ordinary transaction for him to buy out a big retail establishment and to absorb the stock in his great store. In his manner, Mr. Doerr is genial and always good-natured. The cares of business rest lightly on him and he is universally popular in the community. In business he is prompt and exact, making it a rule to pay cash for everything and to sell for cash only. His strong individuality is impressed on everything he does. He has carved out his own fortune and few men have met with a greater degree of success.

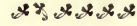
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WILLIAM T. DUKER.

In speaking of the most successful merchants of Quincy the name of Mr. William T. Duker is always mentioned. Though one of the younger of the business men his success has been uninterrupted and he ranks as one of the leading dry goods merchants of the state. He is a son of Mr. Theodore Duker and was born in this city December 14, 1861. His schooling was supplemented by a course at St. Francis College and by a thorough commercial education. Soon after attaining his majority he formed a copartnership with Mr. H. B. Menke in 1883, and the firm of Menke & Duker conducted the dry goods business at 711 Maine street. Five years later they removed to the spacious new stone-front building, 704 and 706 Maine street, and in 1893 Mr. Duker became the sole owner of the business. He has steadily extended his trade, increasing it five-fold in the first five years, until his dry goods house is as familiarly known in all the adjoining counties as it is in Quincy. Possessing all of the qualities of a successful merchant and a successful business man he has gone steadily forward, identifying himself with every movement for the advancement of Quincy and making a prominent place for himself in the commercial world. Mr. Duker was married February 15, 1887, to Miss Elizabeth Bowles, daughter of Mr. John Bowles, and they have one daughter, Edna, and one son, born on Mr.

Duker's last birthday, and properly named William T., Jr. Their home on East Vermont street, remodeled last year, is one of the attractive residences of the city.



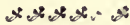
NIKLAUS KOHL.

From the shipping room to the presidency of one of the leading wholesale grocery companies in this section in thirty years—such is the record of Mr. Niklaus Kohl, president and leading stockholder in the N. Kohl Grocer Company. He was born on a farm in South Germany in 1836, where he had the advantages of an excellent common school education. In 1857 he came to this city with very little money, but with lots of pluck and a determination to succeed. It was the year of the great panic, business of every kind was demoralized, but the young man in a strange land did such work as he could secure until in 1861 he obtained steady employment in the grocery house of Mr. James T. Baker. Here he continued until Mr. Baker sold out seven years later, and soon after he secured a modest place in the wholesale house of Austin & Co. With this house he remained when the firm was changed to Austin & Manson. He was one of the hardest workers about the place and was best satisfied when the orders were heaviest and the hours longest. Finally he took an



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interest in the business, the firm name being changed to Austin, Manson & Co., and later when Mr. Manson concluded to sell his interest the firm became Austin & Kohl. In July, 1896, Mr. Austin retired and the N. Kohl Grocer Company was organized, with Mr. N. Kohl, president, his sons, Adam and John, vice president and cashier and Mr. John Soebbing secretary. The large building which the company now occupies, on Fourth street, between Hampshire and Vermont streets, was purchased soon after, and thoroughly remodeled. To-day it is one of the best arranged wholesale grocery houses in the country and is packed full of goods, every dollar's worth bought for spot cash. Mr. Kohl has the satisfaction of managing and directing this immense business with his two sons associated with him. His success has been very marked, but it has not been a matter of accident, close application to business and fair dealing with his patrons having built up the heavy trade which his company enjoys.



GEORGE ERTTEL.

By reason of his notable inventions and improvements in baling machinery, incubators and brooders, Mr. George Ertel is widely known throughout the United States and in all countries where baling presses and incubators are used. He was one of the first of the American manufacturers to place a perfect press on the market and from a very modest beginning has built up a large and important industry. Mr. Ertel was born in Neuburg-on-the-Rhein, Germany, April 10, 1830. When he was thirteen years of age he commenced learning the trade of furniture making and then worked for several years in different cities at his trade. By the advice of a younger brother then located in Pennsylvania, in 1854 he came to America with his widowed mother, an older brother and a younger sister, the journey from Havre, France, in a sailing vessel requiring four weeks. On June 18, 1854, he secured employment at furniture making at Elmira, N. Y., but the year following located at Williamsport, Pa. Early in May, 1856, he came to Quincy, working at his trade three years and then moving to Liberty, where he engaged in the furniture business. In 1867 he invented and patented his first baling press, which he manufactured in connection with his furniture business. In many important features his press was an improvement on anything previously introduced and it attracted more than ordinary attention. At that time a hay press was practically unknown—there being

but one or two imperfect machines on the market. As there was no railroad at Liberty he returned to Quincy in 1868 and commenced the manufacture of baling machinery exclusively in a small shop where his present extensive works are located. The business grew very rapidly, new styles of baling presses were introduced from time to time until Mr. Ertel conducted one of the largest and most important plants in this line of business in the entire country. The demand covered every state and extended to Canada, Mexico and all other countries where baling machinery is used. At the present time the business in this line is still being increased



and extended. Early in 1893 Mr. Ertel invented and patented a complete line of incubators and brooders and this branch of the business has become a very important feature. In December of that year his entire business was incorporated under the name of George Ertel Co., and in this corporation he holds the office of president. In 1873 he was elected a member of the city council, serving two years and in 1875-6 was a member of the board of supervisors. Since that time he has repeatedly declined nominations for public office and has devoted his attention strictly to his extensive manufacturing business. December 8, 1855, Mr. Ertel was married to Miss Eva Elizabeth Gardner, at Williamsport, Pa., and they have one son, Charles M., born at Liberty, September 18, 1864. His two brothers and sister are engaged in farming in Crawford County, Wisconsin.

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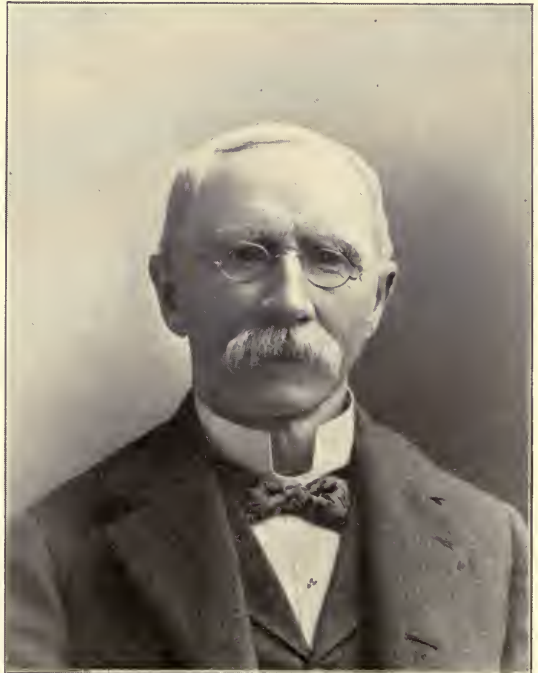
HENRY B. MENKE.

Among the progressive, successful merchants of Quincy none occupy a more prominent place than Mr. H. B. Menke, the president and founder of the Menke Dry Goods Company. He has been actively engaged in the business here for more than twenty-five years and has built up an establishment which would do credit to any of the larger cities. Mr. Menke was born in Germany in 1834, his early life being spent in farming and in making brick. In 1860 he concluded to try his fortunes in the new world and came direct to Quincy. For three years he worked as a farm laborer, having very little means, but having a desire to engage in mercantile trade accepted a position as clerk in the store of A. J. Lubbe. He continued as a clerk for Mr. Lubbe and for others until 1873, when he started a retail dry goods store of his own at 711 Maine street. The success of this business was remarkable. Later Mr. W. T. Duker became a partner and the firm of Menke & Duker was continued until 1893, the spacious new building on the south side of Maine street being built for the firm by Mr. Menke in 1888. In 1893 Mr. Menke retired from active business owing to impaired health and for three years devoted his time largely to improving his elegant suburban home on Locust Boulevard. In 1896 he pur-



CHARLES A. BLANK.

Mr. Charles A. Blank, the secretary and treasurer of the Warfield Grocer Company, was born in Quincy, June 26, 1852, and this city has been his home all his life. In 1865, when only thirteen years of age, he commenced active life in the business with which he has been identified ever since. His first position was in the wholesale grocery house of G. & F. Meyer, and he remained with the same house when the firm changed to G. T. Meyer, then to Budde & Meyer, then the consolidated house of Warfield, Budde & Meyer, then Warfield & Meyer, and then the Warfield Grocer Company. His father died when he was only fourteen months old, and he early assisted in the support of his widowed mother. That early self-reliance, and his energy, unremitting attention to duty and rare commercial ability, made him valuable to his employers, and he was retained through the successive changes of firm name. He was promoted from one important position to another, until he is now the secretary and treasurer and one of the active managers of the great house with which he commenced service as a boy of thirteen thirty-five years ago. He was married September 26, 1893, to Miss Mary E. Mooney, of Charles City, Iowa.



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chased the store of the Fox Dry Goods Company and the Menke Dry Goods Company was organized, occupying their new and spacious stone-front building the following spring. During the summer of 1898 they purchased the wholesale stock of Isaac Lesem & Co., adding a jobbing department to their business and giving them one of the most important wholesale and retail dry goods houses in this section. Mr. Menke was married in 1864 to Louisa Brockschmidt, of this city, and they have two sons and four daughters.



WILLIAM STEINWEDELL

For fifty years Captain William Steinwedell has occupied a commanding position in Quincy commercial and financial circles. He is identified with a number of large and important interests, his remarkable capacity for dealing with varied enterprises being demonstrated by his uniform and unbroken success. For many years he has directed the affairs of several extensive interests, any one of which would have demanded the entire time of most business men. He is a commanding figure in the community, bluff and outspoken, yet hale and hearty, charitable and generous, a highly cultured gentleman and one of Quincy's most honored citizens. Captain Steinwedell was born in Hanover, Germany, in 1827, his father being a colonel in the German army. He received a thorough and comprehensive scientific education and his study and researches in science have been continued to the present time. Of several important departments of science he is a master. Too much of a patriot to submit to the exactions imposed by monarchy during the great revolution of 1848, he came to America, locating in Quincy. Two years later the hardware and iron firm of Bertschinger & Steinwedell was organized and at once commanded a large patronage. They were the first business house in Quincy to make direct importations. In those days nearly all hardware was made abroad and Captain Steinwedell frequently visited the leading manufacturing cities of Europe to make purchases. This firm continued in business more than twenty years, until October, 1873, when the senior member decided to return to his native land. At the breaking out of the rebellion Captain Steinwedell organized a local military company, which did valuable service in this locality, without compensation and without expense to the government. He secured the money in the

banks at LaGrange and Canton and delivered it to the subtreasury at St. Louis, by order of Major-General Fremont; furnished the escort for 20,000 stands of arms for Iowa troops from Quincy to Keokuk; relieved the Sixteenth Illinois Regiment when it was besieged by Confederates at Monroe City, Mo., and was in constant service for nearly four years. He was president of the board of trustees of the Soldiers' Home from 1894 until a press of private business compelled him to resign in the fall of 1897. For over twenty years he was president of the gas



company and is now local director. He is also president of the Arrowrock Mining and Milling Company, treasurer of Dick Brothers Milling Company, secretary of Dick & Brothers' Quincy Brewing Company. He was for a long term of years a stockholder in the First National Bank and is now a stockholder in the State Savings, Loan and Trust Company. One of the organizers of the Quincy Turnverein, he was one of the builders of the Turner Hall and is now an honorary member, having a certificate for twenty-five years' membership. To each of the varied interests with which Captain Steinwedell is identified he gives careful personal attention and still finds time for important public affairs, in which he has always taken prominent part.

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JOHN McADAMS.

The Hon. John McAdams, state senator from this district, is a native of Adams county, born on a farm in Ursa Township in January, 1843. His parents came here from Kentucky at an early day and were among the pioneer settlers of the county. After completing his studies at the home school he attended the schools of this city for two years and then engaged in teaching for a time. Then he returned to farming and developed one of the finest farms in the entire county. Enterprising and progressive, he was elected to the offices of justice of the peace and road commissioner, in the latter office first demonstrating his enthusiasm for good roads, which has since brought about practical results. He was elected a member of the general assembly of 1880-81, serving during the regular and special sessions. When his term in the legislature expired he located in Quincy and has since been engaged in the grain and commission business. He was elected alderman of the Second Ward in 1897, serving one term. The same year he was elected to the state senate to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Albert W. Wells, and in 1898 was re-elected for a full term. In 1863 Senator McAdams was married to Miss Anna Smith, a most estimable woman, whose death during the past winter is

most sincerely lamented. Senator McAdams is popular in his party and has never been defeated for office; in his case the office has sought the man.



S. P. BARTLETT.

For more than twenty years Mr. S. P. Bartlett has held the position of secretary of the Illinois State Fish Commission and in his chosen field of work has gained a national reputation. In all matters pertaining to the propagation, preservation and distribution of fish he is considered authority. He was first appointed a member of the Illinois commission in 1877 and some years ago was also appointed field superintendent of the United States Fish Commission, being at present in charge of Quincy station. The work in this state is of first importance from the fact that the Illinois River is one of the finest and most productive streams in the entire country, and each year hundreds of car loads of young fish are reclaimed and saved under his direction from the shallow lakes and sloughs along the Illinois and distributed throughout the state and throughout the country. Mr. Bartlett has conducted his work for the state and national commissions with a zeal and energy possessed by very few men. He has



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a perfect knowledge of the nature and habits of all the native fish and his success in this work has gained for him unusual distinction. Fish is a much more important factor in the food supply of the country than is generally understood and his efforts in increasing and developing this staple have resulted in lasting good to the people.

Mr. Bartlett was born in Quincy in 1842 and this city has always been his home. His father, the late S. M. Bartlett, was one of the founders of the Quincy Whig, which was established by Bartlett & Sullivan in 1838, more than sixty years ago. For several years following the close of the war Mr. S. P. Bartlett conducted the leading grocery house of the city and was also an extensive shipper of fruits. In 1877 he retired from commercial business to devote his attention to his present work, in which he has few peers in the entire country. Mr. Bartlett has a very wide acquaintance with public men. Genial and affable, a royal companion and a steadfast friend, he is a welcome guest everywhere.



ENOCH R. CHATTEN.

To the late B. I. Chatten, the honored father of Mr. Enoch R. Chatten, Quincy is indebted for its splendid system of grades and its uniformly level streets. For many years Mr. Chatten, Sr., was one of the leading ministers in the Illinois conference of the Methodist Episcopal church. His early education had been along scientific lines, however, and in the early 40's he resigned his pastorate at Alton, at that time the highest appointment in the conference, to accept a position in the government engineering office in St. Louis. Two or three years later he located at Fall Creek and engaged in engineering. In 1847 he was elected county surveyor, which office he held continuously until his death, March 22, 1871. For a long term of years he also held the position of city engineer. He established the system of grades and laid out most of the streets of the city, this work being an enduring monument to his skill and ability. When the original topography is considered his work seems the more remarkable. The heavy draws leading up from the river, the high hills and deep ravines, were changed to broad and level streets, with just enough slope to promote a perfect system of natural drainage. Mr. Chatten was known to nearly every resident of the county and was universally honored and respected. He was the soul of honor

in all things and his good name will endure as long as Quincy stands. The picturesque stone bridges across Ashland creek and Mill creek, built by him fifty years ago, are fair samples of his artistic and honest work.

Mr. Enoch R. Chatten was born at Fall Creek, April 4, 1846. When a young man he enlisted in the late Governor Woods regiment, the 137th Illinois, and at the close of the war was associated with his father in engineering work. He was elected city engineer in 1869 and with the



exception of one year held the office continuously up to the present year. A worthy successor of an honored father, he not only inherits his father's remarkable ability, but also his uncompromising integrity. While the father established the grades and laid out the streets, the son has preserved the grades and made the streets permanent. On him has devolved the entire engineering work for the many miles of street paving and sewer building. This system of public improvements has gone steadily forward under Mr. Chatten's direction until Quincy has been made one of the most beautiful and attractive cities in the entire country. For more than fifty years the father and son have labored honestly, faithfully and zealously in making Quincy what it is and like the father the son has done his work well.

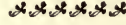
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LEATON IRWIN.

Like many of Quincy's most successful business men, Mr. Leaton Irwin is not only self-made, but inaugurated and built up the extensive commercial enterprise of which he is the head. He was born at Plymouth, Ill., August 7, 1863. In his boyhood his advantages for schooling were limited, but he was determined to have an education, and in the summer time sold books that he might attend school in the winter. When eighteen years of age he had gained an appointment to the West Point Military Academy and came to Quincy to start for West Point. Here he concluded that he preferred a literary rather than a military education, and entered Chaddock College, graduating with honors. For two years after graduating he held the chair of mathematics at Chaddock. Then for four years he was correspondent for Pope, Lockwood & Co. In 1887 he engaged in the wholesale paper trade and in twelve years has built up the business of the Irwin Paper Company, of which he is president, one of the largest concerns in this line of trade in the west, a credit to Quincy and to the business capacity of its founder. Mr. Irwin was also largely interested for a time in the Quincy Hardware Manufacturing Company, holding a majority of the stock. He was the prime mover in the organization of the Quincy Freight Bureau and

is secretary of that important association of the leading shippers of the city. A man of broad charity, Mr. Irwin is a generous contributor to worthy causes and is a good citizen as well as a prosperous and successful business man.



WALTER SPRY.

Mr. Walter Spry was born in Chicago in 1868, and received his education in that city at the Chicago Manual Training School and the Chicago Musical College. After graduating he went abroad to continue his musical studies and had the personal instruction of such great masters as Leschetizky, of Vienna; Rudorff and Urban, of Berlin. Returning to America Mr. Spry devoted himself to teaching and appeared several times in concerts and piano recitals in his native city and always with success. Wishing, however, to study the higher forms of musical composition he decided to go to Paris, where he remained two years, making altogether six years abroad. Professor Rousseau, who was Mr. Spry's teacher and who is one of the leading professors at the Paris Conservatory, said: "Mr. Spry is the most talented young American musician I have had the honor and pleasure to know." In 1897 Mr. Spry accepted the directorship of the Quincy Conservatory of Music and through his artistic and business-like management has established the institution as one of the leading schools of music in the west.



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WILLIAM E. KENDALL.

Mr. William E. Kendall is a native of Quincy, born here December 1, 1860. His father, Mr. F. C. Kendall, is one of the oldest residents of this county, coming here from Warren county, Ohio, in 1838. After receiving a good common school and a thorough business education, Mr. William E. Kendall learned telegraphy and in 1880 accepted a position as night clerk in the freight house of the Hannibal & St. Joseph Railway. He was afterwards appointed car accountant and then bill clerk, and when the H. & St. J. Ry. was absorbed by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, he was made car accountant. In 1889 he was promoted to the position of baggage-master, which position he still holds. Prompt, courteous and absolutely reliable, he is universally popular with the traveling public and commands the confidence and respect of the officers of the company. In 1893 he was elected alderman of the First Ward on the republican ticket by a large and flattering majority. In 1895 he was re-elected and last spring was again elected for the third time. His record in the city council has been above reproach. On all public questions he has been fearless and outspoken, tireless in his efforts for promoting the welfare of the city and his long service has been of the highest advantage to the progress of Quincy.

HENRY H. MOLLER.

For nearly twenty-five years Mr. Henry H. Moller has been prominently identified with the lumber trade of Quincy and he is as well and favorably known in the leading lumber markets of the north as he is here at home. The firm of Moller & VandenBoom, of which he is the senior member, is engaged largely in the wholesale trade in addition to their extensive retail business, shipping to nearly all towns and cities tributary to Quincy. Mr. Moller was born in St. Louis May 29, 1848, and came to this city with his parents in 1856. As a boy he had a strong desire to engage in commercial business and when quite young secured a position in the Ricker Bank, remaining there four years. He was afterwards employed at the Menke & Grimm planing mill and in the business office of Wendelin Weber and Dick's brewery. July 15, 1875, the lumber firm of Moller & VandenBoom was organized and has been one of the most successful in this branch of business in the history of the city, conducting four important lumber yards at the present time. Mr. Moller was a member of the board of supervisors for five years, serving on the finance committee, and chairman of the poor farm committee, and his influence had much to do in shaping legislation in that body. Careful and conservative in business affairs, yet enterprising and progressive, he is one of Quincy's substantial citizens. Mr. Moller was married January 10, 1871, to Miss Louisa VandenBoom, and they have four sons and one daughter.



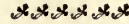
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NICHLAS HEINTZ.

Mr. Nicholas Heintz was born in Germany in 1839. His father was a farmer and when ten years of age the boy contributed his full share to the farm work. In 1854 he came with his parents to this country, locating in Milwaukee. It was the year of the fatal cholera epidemic and within a week after their arrival in Milwaukee his father and mother were stricken and both died. The son, thrown on his own resources, commenced to learn the shoemaker's trade, working one year in Milwaukee and four years in St. Paul, but he was young and received very low wages. In the fall of 1859 he came to Quincy and secured a place at his trade with Mr. Kettler, remaining with him two years. Then he went into the shoe store of C. Brown, Jr., as a clerk, working for Mr. Brown six years, when he took an interest in the business, being with this house seventeen years. In 1878 he opened his present large shoe house on Maine street and has since been at the head of the trade in Quincy. He has fine property interests here, including the building which he occupies, and the Heintz office building, opposite the court house. Mr. Heintz is an active and most effective worker for all public enterprises. He was one of the organizers of the board of commerce and is a member of the directory. He was chairman of the market committee and may fairly be called the father of the present public market, and he has been an effective worker for

good roads leading to West Quincy and in this county. He is the present president of the retail boot and shoe association of Quincy. In fact he is one of Quincy's most active and enterprising citizens.



JOSEPH B. MENKE.

Though one of the younger business men of the city, Mr. Joseph B. Menke is one of the most successful. He is the son of Mr. H. B. Menke, with whom he is associated in the extensive business of the Menke Dry Goods Company. Born in Quincy, July 19, 1867, he enjoyed the best educational advantages, attending St. Francis College and Blackburn University after leaving the common schools. His first work was in his father's dry goods store and he was afterwards with Menke & Duker. Desiring a wider and more extended experience, in 1892 he accepted a position in the extensive establishment of B. Nugent & Brother, St. Louis, and also filled an important position with Mack Schulz, in the same city. In 1896, his father having purchased the business of the Fox Dry Goods Company, Mr. Menke returned to Quincy and the Menke Dry Goods Company was organized. In the spring of the following year the company removed to the new and spacious building which they now occupy and last year added a wholesale department to their business, having purchased the stock of Isaac Lesem & Co. Mr. Menke is a born merchant and a progressive and successful business man.





J. E. M'MURRAY.
GEO. E. RICKER.



JONATHAN PARKHURST.
CHAUNCEY H. CASTLE.

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JOHN L. SOEBBING.

While one of the younger of the representative business men of Quincy, Alderman John L. Soebbing occupies a prominent place in the wholesale trade of the city. He comes of two of the old and well-known families of Quincy, his father, Mr. Anton Soebbing, having located here in 1853, and his mother in 1847. He was born in this city February 2, 1861, receiving a good common school education, but started out for himself early in life, when a mere boy working for Dr. Rittler and then in the drug store of Mr. P. Carus, on Maine street, where he remained until the business was closed out by the death of the druggist. He then secured a position with the grocery house of C. R. Oliver, Eleventh and Broadway, and afterwards worked for Mr. John J. Metzger, the latter being convinced that young Soebbing had the making of a strong business man and inducing him to take a thorough commercial education. On leaving the business college he returned to Oliver's store, working also for the successor firm, Strickling & Co., and later for Jacob Scholz. In the spring of 1884 he accepted a position with Mr. John Altmix and in 1887 engaged in the grocery business at Twelfth and Vine streets, buying out John Winkeljohn. Three years later he built a spacious store building of his own on the opposite corner and his brother became



LOUIS F. SCHAEFER.

Probably few of the younger business men of Quincy are more generally known throughout the city than Mr. Louis F. Schaefer, by reason of his long connection with the Morning Whig. He was born in this city, September 29, 1871, and is a son of Mr. George Schaefer. His father is one of the older residents of Quincy, coming here in the 40's, and for years conducted an extensive cooperage business. A man of sterling qualities and genuine worth, he is now free from the cares of active business, an honored and respected citizen. When fifteen years of age Mr. Louis Schaefer went into the Whig office as office boy. He had been a close student and enjoyed the advantages of a common school education beyond his years. Applying himself closely to business, he was soon bookkeeper and before he was twenty, filled the position of assistant business manager and cashier. When the present Whig company was organized last July, he was made business manager, a position which he resigned in October to accept his present position of bookkeeper and cashier at the Newcomb Hotel. Mr. Schaefer is an expert bookkeeper and accountant, a trained and ready correspondent and a man of sterling, rugged honesty. In the business community he is widely known and universally respected.



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associated with him in the business. In 1896 Mr. Soebbing retired from the retail trade and became interested in the wholesale house of the N. Kohl Grocer Company and was elected secretary, a position which he still holds. A thoroughly successful and progressive business man he has contributed his full share to the material increase in the business of this extensive wholesale grocery concern since the incorporation. Mr. Soebbing served on the board of supervisors in 1889-90 and in the City Council 1891-3, being a member of the auditing, water and light committees and making a most enviable record as a public official. In 1896 he was re-elected to the council, but resigned in the fall owing to his change of residence. Last spring he was again elected alderman and is now a member of the finance, water and light committees. He is identified with important business interests, being vice president and a director in the Excelsior Stove Manufacturing Company and secretary and treasurer of the Quincy Sand Company. He is also treasurer of St. Andrew's branch W. C. U. Mr. Soebbing was married October 30, 1883, to Miss Clara Altmix, and they have four sons and four daughters.



LEWEYLYN B. McKENNA.

Prof. McKenna, teacher and author, occupies a position peculiarly his own in the higher educational circles of Quincy. It is a position made honorable by twenty-five years of faithful, successful teaching, prominent by reason of the thousands of prosperous and successful business men and women whom he has graduated. Few educators in the country have so wide an acquaintance, his graduates being located in every state and territory and in the countries beyond the seas. The influence of his teaching in starting young men and young women in successful business careers cannot be measured. The text books which he has written are everywhere accepted as standard and are in use in nearly every leading commercial school throughout the country. Prof. McKenna was born in Prince Edward county, Ontario, April 18, 1844. He attended the grammar school at Stirling, Ontario, and afterwards the Illinois Normal University, at Normal, and then graduated from the German and English College, in this city, in June, 1871, receiving the degree of Master of Arts from Johnson College, an outgrowth of the German and English College, in June, 1877. The degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred on him by Chaddock College, in June, 1891. His first teaching in Quincy was in the

Gem City Business College, then conducted by Howe & Musselman, May, 1874, and he continued with that college until August, 1897, an uninterrupted professorship of more than twenty years. His position was the head of the department of mathematics and law. The text books which he has written include Practical Business Arithmetic, first published in 1889, since reprinted in several editions and in general use in business colleges and high schools; Principles of Commercial Law, published in 1893, and used extensively in commercial col-



leges and normal schools; Manual for Business Letter Writing, a standard authority found everywhere on business men's desks and used in normal schools; Ideal Arithmetic, now in use in the Union Business College and sold extensively from Maine to California. His latest text book, Correct English and Its Essentials, is now in manuscript and will be published during the present year.

Prof. McKenna is now president of the Union Business College and teacher of commercial arithmetic, commercial law and letter writing. In his long and notable experience he has graduated upwards of 12,000 students. Thoroughness is his ruling characteristic in teaching and a diploma with his name attached is everywhere accepted as a proof of proficiency. Now in the prime of life and at the head of a leading business college, he has many years of successful work before him.

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H. P. WALTON.

Mr. H. P. Walton, the president of the Humane Society and a member of the board of local improvements and superintendent of streets, has done much for the alleviation of the needless sufferings of the brute creation and for the beautifying of the city. He was born in Massachusetts April 25, 1832, and is a son of Jonathan and Eliza (Locke) Walton. The family is one of the oldest in America, the founder of it in this country, the Rev. William Walton, having come from Exeter, England, in 1632. The Lockes came four years earlier, in 1628, and the family homestead in Arlington is the oldest house in that city. The Waltons were among the patriots who fought for American independence, and there were ten members of the family in the revolutionary army. Edmund Munroe, the great grandfather of Mr. Walton, enlisted in the king's army when a young man, and was present at the capture of Quebec. Twelve years later he was in the ranks of the patriots, and fought at Bunker Hill. He was with General Gates when Burgoyne's army was captured at Saratoga, and was with Washington at Valley Forge. A letter written by him to his wife during that awful winter is one of the heirlooms of the family. He was killed the next June by a cannon ball at the battle of Monmouth, he then holding the rank of captain.

Mr. Walton was born at Arlington, and remained there during his youth and early manhood. In 1869 he came west, locating in Kentland, Ind., where he engaged in the grocery and hotel business, in which he was remarkably successful. He came to Quincy in 1873, but retained his business interests in Indiana until 1886, when he finally disposed of them.

He was married November 13, 1873, to Sarah E. Jackson, a daughter of Samuel and Eliza J. Jackson. She was born in Boston August 4, 1834, and came to Quincy with her parents when nine months old, her father having been one of the pioneers of the city. Her father was born in 1803 and died in 1890. Her mother was born in 1809 and died in 1874. He was one of the substantial citizens of Quincy, and several handsome business blocks are the monuments of his enterprise and public spirit.

Mr. Walton is a sturdy republican, his first vote for president having been cast for Fremont. He tried to enlist in the union army at the first call for troops, but was rejected. A brother was accepted, and served for three years with distinction.

He is an untiring promoter of humane work, and has been president of the Quincy Humane Society for several years. He is also president of the Woodland Cemetery Association. He is a member of the board of local improvements and superintendent of streets, and has been instrumental in the inauguration of much important public work. He is a member of the Knights Templar and the Knights of Pythias. As a man and a citizen, his life is one which can be held up for general emulation.



JAMES DICKSON.

Alderman James Dickson, general foreman for the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway and leased lines, was born at Patricroft, Lancashire, England, January 16, 1847. He enjoyed a comprehensive mechanical education, learning the trade of a machinist in Liverpool and Birkenhead. Advanced step by step through all departments in his line of work, under the very thorough English system, he received a certificate which opened the doors of any mechanical works in the country where the services of an expert were required, his education including the theory of mechanics and construction as well as a practical knowledge of the work. It was while employed in Laird's mammoth ship building works at Birkenhead, on the marine engines of the "290," afterwards the famous privateer Alabama, that he lost the index finger of his



WILLIAM H. KONANTZ.

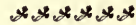
Mr. William H. Konantz is a son of one of the pioneer residents of Quincy, his father, the late Paul Konantz, coming here from New Orleans in 1836. He was born in this city, April 9, 1846, and is the oldest of twelve children. Supplementing his early education in the common schools by attending evening school, he learned the harness makers' trade with Bernard & Lockwood and then spent two years learning the finest grades of work in Chicago. In March, 1876, with a few hundred dollars capital, he opened a shop of his own on Maine street, west of Fourth. His business prospered from the first. He was an expert workman, capable of supplying the most elegant coach and track harness, and within five years not only enjoyed a handsome local patronage, but was shipping to other cities as far west as the Pacific Coast. Once fairly established he extended his operations until he conducted one of the most important wholesale and retail harness trades in this section of the country. Mr. Konantz has held an important place in Masonic circles, filling the positions of master of Lambert Masonic lodge and commander of El Aksa Commandery, Knights Templar. He fully merits the enviable position he occupies among Quincy's representative business men.

right hand. The operations of this privateer gave rise to the famous Alabama claim, England paying this government \$15,000,000 in settlement. In 1867 Mr. Dickson came to this country, accepting a position in the Grant Locomotive Works at Patterson, N. J. Soon after he secured a position in the C., B. & Q. machine shops at Galesburg, where he remained for two years, and was afterwards employed by the Union Pacific, the Rock Island, the Illinois Central and the Indianapolis, Bloomington & Western. He was employed in the erection of the Joliet Steel Works from the time work was commenced until the first rail was rolled in 1873. In 1874 he returned to the C., B. & Q. at Galesburg, where he remained until he was appointed superintendent of water service for the company, with headquarters at Galesburg, a position which he held for four years. At Galesburg he took a prominent part in public affairs and was employed as expert in the construction of the Galesburg water system. In 1888 he came to Quincy to accept his present position of general foreman for the C., B. & Q. Mr. Dickson was appointed a member of the board of education last year and has taken an active interest in school affairs, being a strong friend of popular education. Last spring he was elected alderman from the First Ward on the republican ticket by a handsome majority, being popular with the people generally.



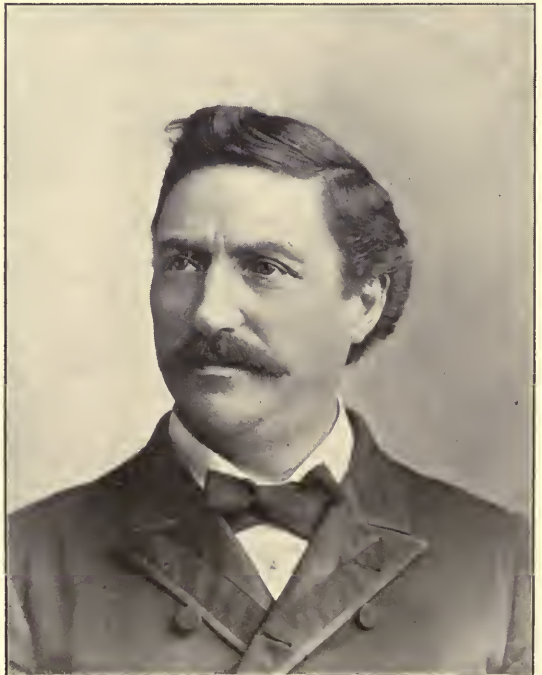
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in the memorable Logan-Morrison senatorial contest. January 1, 1887, he established The Journal of Industry, and has made it one of the most influential journals in this section. He stands high in the councils of his party, and his influence is wide spread. He was elected a member of the board of supervisors again in the spring of 1899, although he made no campaign and did not seek the place. He was married March 18, 1879, to Miss Jennie Bloom, and they have four children, three sons and one daughter.



HARRIS SWIMMER.

For more than thirty years ex-Alderman Harris Swimmer has been a prominent factor in local political affairs and for many years he has been widely known in state and national politics. In county, district and state conventions he has wielded commanding influence and has taken prominent part in many hard fought political battles. As one of the leaders of the sound money democratic movement in Illinois in 1896 he gained added political distinction. Mr. Swimmer was born at Colmar, Germany, September 22, 1844, and the year following came to this country with his parents. In May, 1856, he came to Quincy and in 1865 established his present hide and wool business. Of late years



FRED P. TAYLOR.

Mr. Fred P. Taylor, the editor and proprietor of The Journal of Industry, started life as a poor boy, and by his energy, unremitting industry and ability has made a name for himself. His father, William Thomas Taylor, first came to Quincy in 1836. He was a painter and was in business for a time with Mr. Letton, and put the first coat of paint on the Wells building. He was a soldier in the Mexican war, and won distinction on the other side of the Rio Grande. He went south several years before the rebellion and after the civil war broke out enlisted in the confederate army. He was killed in battle on the Cumberland River, and his eldest son was killed at the battle of Shiloh.

Fred P. Taylor was born in Louisville, Ky., March 15, 1858, and when five years of age came to Quincy with his widowed mother and family. As a boy he worked in a grocery store, and when fourteen years old became an office boy on the Quincy Herald, and there learned the trade of printer. He subsequently worked on that paper and also on the Whig as a journeyman printer. Politically he is a democrat, and early took an interest in politics. He was elected a member of the board of supervisors, and re-elected. While serving his second term on the county board in 1885 he was elected to the state legislature from this district, and participated

he has handled feathers extensively and is now the largest dealer in feathers in this country. Single orders of from one to five car loads are frequently received by him and many of the leading eastern manufacturers depend on his house for their supplies. His hide and wool business has also assumed extensive proportions. In 1878 Mr. Swimmer was elected alderman from the Second Ward and served in the City Council for sixteen years, the longest continuous term of service in the history of that body. His comprehensive knowledge of city affairs and his constant attention to the best interests of the city were of the greatest benefit to the people. He has held the position of United States deputy marshal for nine years, having first been appointed under President Harrison's administration. Mr. Swimmer was a member of the finance committee of the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., for twelve years and has served on other important committees of that organization. He is also ex-president of the I. O. B. B., district number six, comprising seven states. February 23, 1873, Mr. Swimmer was married to Miss Lena Solomon, of St. Paul, and they have two sons. Mrs. Swimmer shares the honors with her husband in well-known fraternal organizations. She is grand chief of honor of the Degree of Honor, A. O. U. W. for Illinois and is also a member of the finance committee of the Superior Grand Lodge of the United States.



WILLIAM EBER.

The subject of this sketch is one of the oldest business men in Quincy, in point of continuous operations, and is one of the best known seed men in the state. Mr. William Eber was born June 20, 1829, in Unterrodach, Bavaria, and acquired his commercial education in his native country. His father was a member of an extensive lumber firm, which floated lumber and log rafts down the rivers Main and Rhine, supplying Frankfort, Cologne and part of Holland with lumber. After finishing his commercial education in the cities of Bamberg and Nuremberg, Mr. Eber, then a youth of twenty, decided to come to the United States, and landed in New York in 1849. From there he went to Baltimore, where he found employment in a store, and remained for over a year. He then went to Warren, Pa., where he engaged in business and remained for over five years, leaving it in 1855 for a visit to Germany. Warren is now almost the center of the coal oil belt, but at that time no one dreamed of finding oil in quantities.



On his return to this country, Mr. Eber was undecided as to whether to locate in Milwaukee or Quincy, but finally decided on this city, and arrived here in the fall of 1856. He was employed by Mr. Leopold Arntzen and remained with him until 1863, when he formed a copartnership with Charles A. Koencke. They established a general store, and commenced dealing in seeds. That partnership was dissolved in 1868, and Mr. Eber continued the business on his own account, giving most of his attention to seeds, a business which he has built up to large proportions. He was materially aided in establishing his seed business by Mr. William Stewart and by Quincy's extensive market gardeners. Later he formed a partnership with Mr. E. C. Walters, under the firm name of Eber & Walters, which continued until 1884, when Mr. Walters went to Minneapolis. Since that time his son, William H. Eber, has become interested in the business, the firm name being William Eber & Son, and it is known all through the western country. Mr. Eber was doing business on Hampshire street for more than thirty years without interruption until his removal to the present quarters at Sixth and Vermont some seven years ago.

Mr. Eber is one of the active promoters of the beet sugar industry in Illinois, and is one of the commissioners of the Illinois Beet Sugar Association.

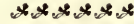
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FRANK W. OSBORN.

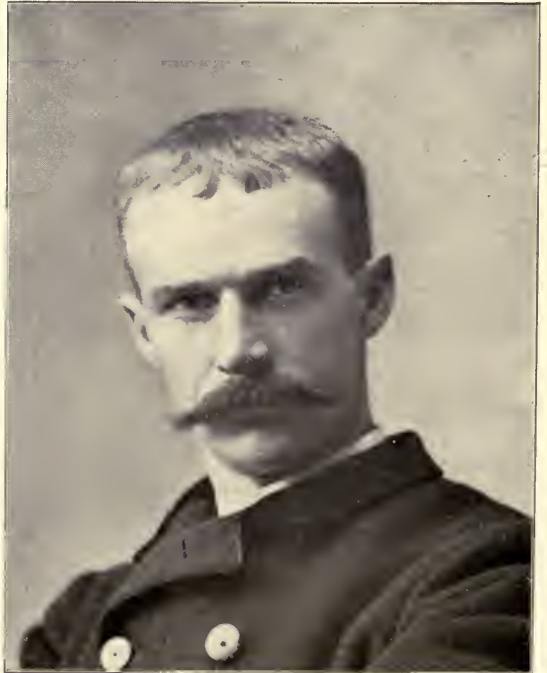
Mr. Frank W. Osborn, secretary and treasurer of the Quincy Coal Company, is one of the most prominent of the younger business men of the city. He is also secretary and treasurer of the Farmington Coal Company, the business of the companies with which he is identified aggregating a very heavy volume and covering a wide extent of territory. This business embraces coal mining on an extensive scale, as well as dealing in coal in heavy quantities. The Quincy Coal Company was the first to supply the Quincy market and its operations have been extended to many other cities. Mr. Osborn was born in Quincy, August 24, 1867. He is a son of Mr. Charles C. Osborn and a grandson of the late H. S. Osborn, one of the early settlers of Quincy and for many years one of the foremost business men. After completing his common school education, he graduated from the law department of Chaddock College, being awarded the gold medal for the best thesis. He commenced work for the Quincy Coal Company in 1884, being advanced rapidly until he was elected to the responsible positions which he now holds. A clean cut business man, of quick perception and capable of handling any amount of detail, he is well calculated to bring about success. Of elegant address, he is genial and affable and is popular in social as well as in business circles. Mr. Osborn has always been

active in Sunday school work and is at present assistant superintendent of the Vermont Street M. E. Sunday school, one of the largest in the city.



HARVEY CHATTEN.

In architecture in this section the name of Mr. Harvey Chatten takes prominent rank. Many of the more notable buildings built in Quincy in recent years are substantial monuments to his artistic skill. Mr. Chatten was born in this city in 1853 and is a son of the late B. I. Chatten, for so many years the honored civil engineer. Inheriting his father's artistic ability as well as his sterling qualities, he early decided on his life work, securing his training in the office of the late Robert Bunce and in the offices of prominent Boston architects. He succeeded to much of the business of Mr. Bunce and was not long in establishing a substantial patronage. Among the more important buildings designed by Mr. Chatten are the Quincy High School, Stern building, the elegant residences of Mr. R. F. Newcomb, Mr. T. C. Poling, Judge Carter, Prof. D. L. Musselman, Mr. J. N. Wellman, Mr. George H. Stahl, Mr. J. B. Ellis and the handsome City Hall building. He also made the plans for remodeling the Newcomb block, Rogers block, Powers block and many other business houses. Mr. Chatten is also widely known in musical circles, his magnificent bass voice ranking as one of the finest in the entire country.



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WICK ANDERSON.

Promptness in taking advantage of opportunities very often leads to immediate and signal success, as is fairly demonstrated by the experience of Mr. Wick Anderson, of the Union Business College. He was born on a farm near Newark, Knox county, Missouri, February 3, 1869. His early education was obtained at an old log school house, called by the scholars "Brush College." He then returned to farm work, but being ambitious to secure a thorough education he went to college in 1885 and graduated with honors. His natural ability for commercial college work having manifested itself he took complete courses in three leading business colleges, and for two years did active work in a business office as bookkeeper and stenographer. He then taught in a business college in this city for four years and in March, 1896, seeing an opening for a progressive, thoroughly equipped commercial school in Quincy, he founded the Union Business College and School of Shorthand, Typewriting and Telegraphy, in the Newcomb block. The beginning was small but the standard was high, and that the opportunity was well taken is demonstrated by the fact that this college, in three years, has grown to occupy three floors of this spacious building and numbers several hundred students. It is thoroughly equipped in every department, the faculty embraces prominent and efficient instructors and it is now generally recognized as one of the leading commercial colleges of the country. Mr. Anderson is the secretary and business manager

and has the satisfaction of having achieved signal success in an important department of educational work.



EDWARD W. TROWBRIDGE.

Mr. Edward W. Trowbridge was born in this city April 15, 1860. After completing his common school education he attended commercial college and early developed a natural ability for active business affairs. His first position was that of shipping clerk in Buehrer's wholesale confectionery and he then took charge of the business office of his father, Mr. Watson Trowbridge. In 1880 he accepted the position of bookkeeper for Joseph & Nelke, which he held for two years and then represented that firm on the road for two years. In 1884 he established his present coal business, which he has developed until he has become one of the leading coal dealers of the city. Prompt and carefully attentive to the interests of his patrons, a tireless worker and one of the most energetic of the younger business men of Quincy, he is well calculated to succeed in any undertaking. At his home on Locust Boulevard, he also conducts an extensive dairy business. Mr. Trowbridge is one of the directors of the Park and Boulevard Association and in this important work as well as in other public enterprises he has been an active factor. He was married in November, 1887, to Miss Lucy Wells Benneson and they have two sons and one daughter.



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JOHN BATSCHY.

Mr. John Batschy, the well-known architect, was born in Filisur, Switzerland, March 8, 1855. After acquiring a thorough common school education he developed a natural talent for architecture and spent several years in the noted schools of design at Zurich and Winterthur. In 1884 he came to this country and after remaining two years in St. Louis located in Quincy. Building operations were active, his ability was promptly recognized and a prosperous business was quickly established. Mr. Batschy is the architect of many of the more prominent buildings in Quincy, including the Soldiers' Home buildings, Woodland Orphans' Home, the Musselman building, the largest business block in the city, the Schott office building, the George Ertel block, the large buildings for the pump department of the Gardner Governor Company, the Quincy show case works, J. J. Flynn & Co.'s bottling works, the Washington and Irving public school buildings, engine houses numbers four and seven and a number of fine residences. The Wells office building was remodeled under his direction and he made the plans for the extensive addition. He also designed the elegant High School building and the Odd Fellows' Temple at Fort Madison, Iowa, the large new hotel at Macomb and other notable public buildings and business structures in neighboring cities. His genius as an architect is unquestioned.

CHARLES OEHLMAN.

Mr. Charles Oehlman was born in Hanover, Germany, July 21, 1849, coming to this country with his parents in 1852. His father, Dr. Henry Oehlman, located in Quincy and practiced medicine here up to the time of his death in 1891. On July 1, 1864, Charles did his first work in the drug business, securing a position with Sellner & Webber. He remained with this store through several changes of ownership for eleven years, becoming an experienced chemist and pharmacist. In 1875 he formed a partnership with Dr. Durant, who had bought out the drug business of A. Basse, Sr., of which Mr. Oehlman was then manager, and the firm of Durant & Oehlman continued for thirteen years. Dental supplies had been added to the drug trade and in 1888 Mr. Oehlman established the Quincy Dental Depot, at 514 Maine street. In 1891 he removed to his present quarters on the east side of Washington Park, where he has built up a prosperous and steadily increasing business. His dental depot is one of the most prominent in this section of country and the dentists throughout the west have become his patrons. Mr. Oehlman is a responsible, progressive business man and deserves the success which he has gained. He was married at Maryville, Mo., December 19, 1878, to Miss Anna Struck, and they have one daughter.



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sister, Miss Julia Kaeltz. He has one son and one daughter living, his son now being a student at a military school at Buffalo, N. Y.



J. HENRY BASTERT.

The career of Mr. J. Henry Bastert is a fair illustration of what push and energy will accomplish, as in less than five years he has established and built up the leading general insurance business of the city. His success is clearly of his own making. Born on a farm in Hancock county, April 5, 1866, he started out for himself early in life, filling the position of engineer at the old Aetna Iron works when thirteen years of age. In 1883 he accepted a position with the German Insurance Company as clerk. Soon manifesting special qualifications for this line of work he was promoted to the position of bookkeeper and afterwards elected secretary, an office which he held up to the time the company voluntarily went out of business in 1894. Mr. Bastert closed up the affairs of the company and wound up its extensive business to the satisfaction of all of the stockholders. Then he engaged in the general insurance business, his experience in passing on and placing important risks and in making adjustments being of the highest advantage to him and to his patrons. Mr. Bastert was an alternate delegate to the republican national convention at St. Louis in 1896 and in political and general business affairs is active and progressive.



JOSEPH H. VANDENBOOM.

Mr. Joseph H. VandenBoom was born in this city, August 6, 1854. His father, the late C. A. VandenBoom, was one of the old and prominent residents of Quincy, coming here in 1849. He was a leading pork packer for many years and was also the founder of the VandenBoom chair factory. He died in 1885, leaving an honored name. Mr. Joseph VandenBoom, after receiving a comprehensive commercial education, was employed in the Ricker bank for three years and was afterwards bookkeeper for the pork packing firm of VandenBoom & Blomer. In 1875 he formed a copartnership with Mr. Moller and the present lumber business of Moller & VandenBoom was established where their main office is still located, on Vermont street, between Sixth and Seventh streets. The business grew very rapidly and as additional room has been required three other yards have been established, one on Third and Vermont streets, another on Third and Broadway and a wholesale yard on Quincy Bay. This firm is now among the most extensive lumber dealers on the Mississippi River. Mr. VandenBoom served four years in the City Council and was a prominent and influential member of that body. In all business affairs he is prompt and reliable and is one of Quincy's representative men. He was married in 1876 to Miss Amelia Kaeltz, who died four years later. In 1885 he married her

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JOHN A. MYERS.

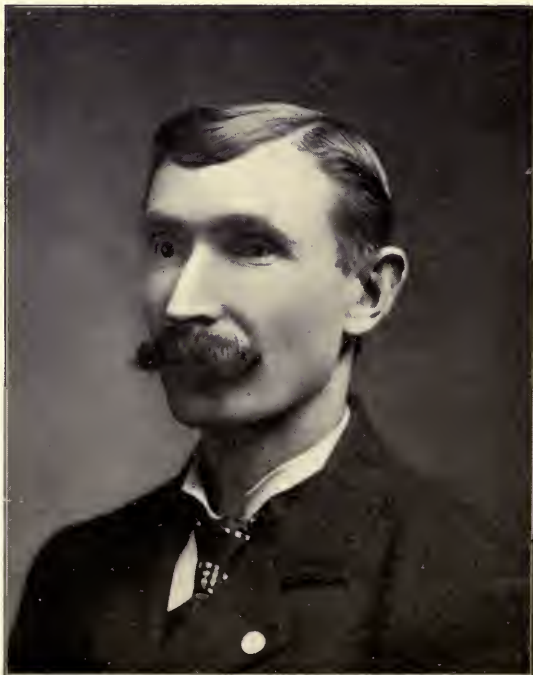
Mr. John W. Myers, president of the Reliable Incubator and Brooder Company, was born on a farm near Novelty, Mo., January 17, 1864. Coming to Quincy with his parents at an early age he received a fair common school education. His first position was that of bell boy at the old Quincy House, but he commenced work for Clark & Morgan when quite young and remained with them for over fifteen years. He was a hard worker and a first-class salesman. In 1879 he became interested in the poultry business, in a small way at first, but gradually increasing his poultry yards until they became of considerable importance. His first venture in the incubator business was with the Reliable incubator, in which his brother, Clarence, was interested, in 1893, when he resigned his place at Clark & Morgan's. In his new business he threw his unlimited energy and every resource he could command. The machine was successful and Mr. Myers had every confidence that it would meet with extensive sale. It was advertised judiciously and exhibited at the World's Fair and all of the great poultry shows, where it was awarded highest honors. As a result of the World's Fair exhibit it is now sold all over the world. The business has been developed largely and very rapidly and the officers of the company have reason to feel proud of their suc-

cess. Mr. Myers was married in 1885 to Agnes Reynolds, daughter of Henry Reynolds and granddaughter of Frederick O'Connor, one of the early residents of Quincy. He has four daughters and one son. An enthusiast in whatever he undertakes, Mr. Myers is known as one of Quincy's most active business men, full of enterprise and absolutely reliable.



CLARENCE A. MYERS.

Mr. Clarence A. Myers, secretary and treasurer of the Reliable Incubator Company, was born in Dunkirk, N. Y., September 26, 1853. Two years later he came to Missouri with his parents and in 1865 located in this city. His father, Mr. A. O. Myers, who is now nearly seventy years of age, was for a long time a leading builder here. He built or superintended the construction of the Adams county court house, Hotel Lamar, Lesem block, Kespohl block, Union block, St. Mary's Hospital, McBain block, Kingsbaker block, Meyer block and other buildings in Quincy, and also the depot buildings on seventy miles of the Quincy, Missouri & Pacific Railway and the bridge work on thirty-five miles of the Jacksonville & Southeastern Railway; also the Bloomfield, Iowa, court house, Smith packing house at East Atchison, Garth's



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forty-room house at Hannibal and other important buildings in other cities. When fifteen years of age Clarence began the carpenter trade. His honored mother died in 1863 and his father was in the army; he was therefore obliged to contribute to the support of the family. For six years he followed carpentering, working on the court house, Tremont Hotel, the McBain and King buildings and on other large structures. In 1877 he accepted a position with Clark & Morgan, remaining with them seventeen years. In 1892 he engaged in the incubator business in a small way. The business prospered, but on February 20, 1894, their factory was entirely destroyed by fire. The loss was a severe one, but the business was at once resumed and with the wide reputation already established for the machines, prosperity quickly returned. Last year the Reliable Incubator and Brooder Company occupied their present building, on Second and Vermont streets, built expressly for them, and they now have one of the largest incubator factories in the world.



BENJAMIN G. VASEN.

For nearly twenty-five years Mr. Benjamin G. Vasen has been identified with the building association interests of Quincy, and in this important branch of business few men in the west are more widely or favorably known. He was one of the organizers of the United States League of Local Building and Loan Associations in 1893 and held the office of secretary for two years, declining re-election for the third term. Since June, 1890, he has been secretary of the Building Association League of Illinois and has been instrumental in shaping the present laws governing these institutions. Mr. Vasen was born in Philadelphia, July 2, 1857, coming to Quincy with his parents ten years later. He received his early education in the public schools and also took a thorough course in bookkeeping and mathematics at commercial college. When thirteen years old he accepted a position with Hirsch & Vasen and was afterwards bookkeeper and cashier at St. Joseph, Mo., for the branch house of J. Jonas & Co. In January, 1875, he returned to Quincy to accept a position with Morton & Nichols and took charge of the building association and loan departments of their business, to which he succeeded. He started his present insurance, real estate and loan business in 1881 and in 1893 removed to his present spacious and handsome quarters at Fifth and Maine streets, the rooms



occupied for many years by the banking house of L. & C. H. Bull. Mr. Vasen was the organizer and the first secretary of the People's Savings, Loan and Building Association in November, 1883, and in December, 1885, was elected secretary of the Quincy Building and Homestead Association, both of which offices he still holds. He had been acting as assistant secretary of the later association since January, 1875. A close student in building and loan association matters he is considered authority in this important branch of finance. Mr. Vasen has handled for the two associations of which he is secretary nearly \$5,000,000 without a single loss and at a considerable profit to the stockholders. He is an expert accountant, an experienced insurance man and a responsible citizen.



MARSHALL TRAVILLA.

Mr. Marshall Travilla was born in Quincy, February 3, 1856. His father was one of the early residents of the city, coming here in 1848 and up to the time of his death in 1872 was engaged in contracting, many of the prominent residences of Quincy having been built under his direction. He was a careful, painstaking workman and bore an enviable reputation in his business. The son learned his father's trade,

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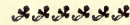
working as a carpenter until 1881, when he secured a position as traveling salesman for the Channon-Emery Stove Company. On the road he was very successful, commanding an excellent trade. In 1889 he engaged in business for himself, opening his present stove store and large tin shop on the west side of Washington Park. Mr. Travilla was one of the first to put the new low-priced sheet iron stove on the market and is now making and selling several thousand each season, having built up a large and constantly increasing trade. Personally he is like his father, quiet, reserved and closely attentive to business, absolutely reliable in all things. He was married May 29, 1878, to Miss Lillie Shontz, of this city, and they have one son and one daughter.



FRANK TUBBESING.

The name of Mr. Frank Tubbesing, the architect, is a familiar one in Quincy, and professionally it ranks among the best. He was born in this city April 6, 1854, and Quincy has always been his home. His parents were Frank H. and Barbara Habel Tubbesing, who came here in 1851. Mr. Tubbesing's father died in 1865, and at the age of 17 he was apprenticed to W. A. Williams, at that time a prominent contractor and builder. Mr. Tubbesing learned the carpenter's trade, and then entered the office of

Robert Bunce, at that time one of the most prominent architects of the west, as a draughtsman. He studied diligently, and in 1878 opened an office of his own. His practical knowledge of building, and his talent for architecture, broadened and deepened by conscientious study, soon brought him to the front, and he now ranks as one of the leading architects of this section. Many public and private buildings in Quincy and vicinity are the monuments of his skill and genius. He made the plans for the Ricker National Bank building, the Tenk block, the Madison school building, the great building on the county farm, and many other public structures and private residences, which are an adornment to the neighborhood and models of convenience of arrangement. He was married April 6, 1875, to Miss Hannah Pellman, whose father was killed in the civil war. They have one son, Frank Tubbesing, Jr.



FREDERICK THUMAN.

Alderman Thuman was born in Hanover, Germany, January 20, 1839, his father, Judge August Thuman occupying a prominent position in his native city. The son was educated under private tutors until he entered the university preparatory school. When fifteen years old he concluded to seek his own fortune in this country and commenced life on his own responsibility as a clerk in New York City. He then went into the wall paper trade, but in 1858 enlisted in the navy under Captain James Finlay Schenck. One year of service proved sufficient, however, and he engaged in the wall paper business in St. Louis. When the war broke out he was one of the first to volunteer in the three months service, joining the Third Missouri Infantry May 2, 1861. On being mustered out the following August he immediately reenlisted in the First Missouri Infantry, under Colonel Frank Blair and was in Grant's army in its great campaigns in the south. After serving nearly three years he was mustered out at Jackson, Tenn., a compound fracture of his leg disqualifying him for the army. Returning to St. Louis he was commissioned a notary public by Governor Fletcher and engaged in the collection of pension claims and back bounties. In 1866 he went back to the wall paper business and accumulated a handsome property. Ten years later business misfortunes having been encountered by reason of his generosity in assisting pretended friends, he located in this city, commencing his work over again in the wall paper

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trade. He was so successful that in 1892 he built his present large business block, adding a complete stock of housekeeping goods of every description. In 1898 he was elected alderman from the Fourth Ward. Mr. Thuman has gained notable distinction in fraternal organizations with which he is identified. He is past grand commander of the Select Knights of America and the present grand recorder of that organization. He is also past master workman of Humboldt lodge, A. O. U. W.; past president of Peerless lodge, I. O. M. A., and past master of Lambert Masonic lodge. He was married in St. Louis in 1860 to Miss Margaret Ferguson and has two daughters and two sons, who are associated with him in business.



BYROM WHITFIELD.

Mr. Byrom Whitfield comes of one of the pioneer families of North Carolina, both his father and mother having been born in that state. His great grandfather was a gunmaker in London and Mr. Whitfield now has a gun made by him many years ago. Mr. Whitfield was born in Nash county, North Carolina, and when five years of age his parents located at Effingham, Ill., where the boy was given a comprehensive education. When he was seventeen he went into the drug store of Dr. J. G. McCoy

to learn the business, remaining there six years. He then accepted a position with C. H. Crane, at Michigan City, Ind., as prescription clerk, which he held until failing health compelled him to seek outdoor employment. Returning to Effingham he went into the insurance and loan business and in March, 1876, accepted the position of deputy county clerk of Effingham county, which he held nearly seven years. Deciding to return to the drug business he came to Quincy March 1, 1883, but failing to find any drug store for sale that was satisfactory or a desirable location for a new store he accepted a position with D. S. Cherry, druggist, 308 Hampshire street. In July, 1883, he passed the examination of the state board of pharmacy in Chicago and received a certificate as a registered pharmacist, the state pharmacy law having been adopted while he was out of business. Two years later work on the present government building was commenced and Mr. Whitfield concluded that a drug store near the new postoffice ought to do well. In April, 1885, he leased his present store and his business has been successful from the day his doors were opened. Mr. Whitfield is an experienced druggist and pharmacist. He has devoted his attention very closely to business and conducts one of the most inviting as well as one of the most prosperous drug stores in Quincy.



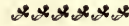
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H. F. LUMMIS.

Mr. H. F. Lummis, secretary and treasurer of the Lummis Implement Company, is a son of Mr. Joseph Lummis, of Gilmer Township, one of the oldest and most prominent residents of the county. His father came to this county from Ohio in 1844 and held the office of county treasurer in 1868-9. His mother is a daughter of Mr. John Lawless, who came to Adams county in 1835. Mr. H. F. Lummis was born on the home farm October 25, 1856. After completing the graded school he attended Chaddock College, commercial college and the Illinois Normal University. He then taught school for seven years. In 1885 he decided to engage in commercial business in Quincy and the agricultural implement firm of Schafer, Lummis & Co. was organized, afterwards changed to Lummis, Rump & Co., Lummis, Earhart & Co., and in December, 1895, the Lummis Implement Company was incorporated. The following spring the company occupied their present quarters on Sixth avenue, the largest and best arranged agricultural implement house in the city. Retaining a deep interest in the public schools, Mr. Lummis was appointed a member of the board of education in 1897. He is chairman of the committee on buildings and grounds and a member of the committee on rules and the committee on teachers. To this work he has brought his ripe

experience in school affairs and is one of the most active and valuable members of the board. In business he has met with the success that comes from strict integrity and sterling qualities.



JOHN J. FLYNN.

Mr. John J. Flynn, who conducts one of the leading bottling works for carbonated waters in the west, has built up his extensive and important enterprise from a very small beginning and against odds which would have discouraged most men. He was born at Blackstone, Worcester county, Massachusetts, April 9, 1854, and was early obliged to contribute to the family support. When ten years old he commenced working in a cotton mill, continuing until he decided to come west, in 1874, locating in this city. After taking a complete commercial college course he commenced making spruce and root beer, for which he found ready sale and as soon as his limited capital would admit he began bottling beer. In 1881 the present soda water business was established, Mr. Flynn devoting himself to the study of every feature of chemistry that enters into the production of carbonated waters. Absolute purity was the end at which he aimed. Other carbonated waters



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were added to the business from time to time, the demand increasing very rapidly and the trade being steadily extended. The present model establishment was built, filters, distilled water and every modern improvement has been introduced and Mr. Flynn is now at the head of a most important business. He is a safe, conservative business man, genial and public spirited, popular and universally respected in the business community. Mr. Flynn was married in 1877 to Miss Mary E. Larkin, of this city. They have two sons and one daughter, their eldest son being a student at Barnes' Medical College, St. Louis. Their home in Park Place is one of the most beautiful in that desirable residence section of the city.



JACOB F. DAUGHERTY.

Mr. Jacob F. Daugherty, one of the leading undertakers and embalmers in this section of the state, has lived in Adams county since early boyhood. He was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, near Pittsburg, March 10, 1840. His father, Michael Daugherty, was of Scotch descent, and his mother, Elizabeth (Funk) Daugherty, of German parentage. They came to Illinois in 1851, Jacob being then a boy of eleven, and settled on a farm in Ursa township, Adams county, where he soon became one of the most substantial and prosperous farmers of the county. He owned 400 acres of fertile land, all improved and cultivated, and was one of the most prominent citizens of the township. He was a man of sound business judgment, enterprising and energetic, and conducted his farm with the greatest success. He died in 1892, regretted by all who knew him. Mrs. Daugherty survives, and is well preserved both in mind and body.

Jacob F. Daugherty received a good common school education, and remained on the farm until he was thirty years of age, when he came to Quincy and embarked in the livery business. He was successful, but left it in 1876 to engage in undertaking and embalming. To this he brought a thorough and comprehensive knowledge of the art of embalming and a personality which has endeared him to the thousands of persons who have called upon him in the hour of their bereavement. In the twenty-five years he has been in the business he has buried over 3,000 persons, and as an embalmer he has no superior in the west.

Mr. Daugherty was married in 1862 to Miss Louise Turner, the daughter of John Turner,



one of the prominent citizens of this county. Six children have blessed their union—Mrs. B. F. Porter, Mrs. Anson M. Brown, Mrs. Charles Brown, of Phoenix, Arizona, Grace, Leroy and Arthur.

Mr. Daugherty's office and undertaking rooms are at 115 Sixth avenue North. He is also owner of a large granite and marble business. He and Mrs. Daugherty are members of the Vermont Street Baptist church, and he has been one of the trustees. He is also a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Royal Arcanum.



L. M. SCHMITT.

For more than thirty-five years Mr. L. M. Schmitt has been identified with the drug trade of Quincy. He was born in this city in 1848. His father, Mr. Leonard Schmitt, was one of the pioneer residents of Quincy, coming here in 1838, and he was widely and favorably known to all of the early residents of the city. In 1862 Mr. L. M. Schmitt went into the drug store of Doway & Morton and two years later secured a position with Rogers & Malone. For eighteen years he remained with this house, through various changes of ownership, having become an experienced pharmacist and chemist and also holding responsible positions in the business

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office. In 1882 he took an interest in the wholesale drug house of Hurlbut, Hess & Co., Chicago. Five years later he returned to Quincy and engaged in the retail drug trade at Sixth and Hampshire streets, afterwards moving to his present location. Mr. Schmitt now has one of the leading drug stores of Quincy and enjoys a large patronage. He attends strictly to business and has established an enviable reputation in business circles. With his wife and three promising children he has a large and pleasant home at Thirteenth and Spring streets.



THOMAS S. BALDWIN.

Mr. Thomas S. Baldwin, the world-famous aeronaut, was born in Quincy January 30, 1861. and started in life as a lamp lighter for the gas company and a newspaper carrier. He early took a liking to athletic work, and in 1875 went out with George W. De Haven's circus as a gymnast. Later he was with W. W. Cole's circus, and then joined a partner in tight rope walking and trapeze performing. While performing in an Ohio town the trapeze broke and both were plunged to the ground. His partner was killed, but Mr. Baldwin escaped serious injury, and in 1880 went to California. While there he became interested in aeronautics, and was the first man in this country to make a

parachute descent from a balloon. His first parachute descent was made near the Cliff House, San Francisco, and the second in Quincy in 1886. It was during the celebration of that year and he made the memorable descent of more than three miles from a balloon. That made him famous, and while he has many imitators in the hazardous business he has no equals. The name Baldwin stands to-day for all that is most advanced, skillful and daring in the science of ballooning. In 1887 he went to England and gave exhibitions during the season at Alexandria Palace, London, his audience including the Prince of Wales and other members of the royal family and the nobility. From England he went to Australia, India, Italy and Spain, and then returned to America. In 1890-91 he made a tour around the world, creating a furore of wonder and admiration in every country he visited and gave exhibitions. He sailed from San Francisco to Japan, and thence to China, Manila, Corea, Siam, Java, Sumatra and all through the Straights settlements, to India, back through Europe and England and home by way of New York. He has made a close study of practical aeronautics, and his advice and judgment is in constant demand by the most eminent scientists in the country. In 1891 he purchased Singleton Park, changed its name to Baldwin Park, and has made it the great outdoor pleasure resort of the city. He was married in 1886 to Miss Carrie P. Pool, and they have one son.



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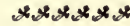


HERMAN MOECKER.

Few names are better known in Quincy than that of Herman Moecker, the popular hotel man. He is a young man, but commands an important influence in the community. He was born in Quincy October 16, 1866, and this city has always been his home. His father, Herman Moecker, Sr., came to Quincy in 1856, and built the Pacific Hotel, which he successfully conducted for many years. The son was associated with him before his death, and succeeded to the business, which he has made even more successful. The construction of the new railroad terminals necessitated a change of location, and at this writing Mr. Moecker has perfected the plans for the erection of a new and elegant hotel on Second street, near the entrance to the new C., B. & Q. passenger station.

Mr. Moecker is a democrat, and has justly won the reputation of being one of the best political generals in that party. He was chairman of the democratic city central committee in 1897, and chairman of the democratic county central committee in 1898, and the victories of his party in those years are largely attributed to his shrewd management of the campaigns. He was elected an alderman from the Second Ward in 1895 and 1896 and again re-elected, without opposition, in 1898. He has been one of the

most influential members of the city council during his four years' service in that body, and has been instrumental in the enactment of much important municipal legislation. He was married in 1888 to Miss Mollie Ohnemus, and they have two bright sons, Herman, Jr., and Eugene.



CHARLES W. BREITWIESER.

Mr. Charles W. Breitwieser, one of Quincy's representative and most popular retail grocers, is a native of Quincy, born here March 5, 1862. He left school when thirteen years of age to learn the cigar makers' trade, but a year later accepted a position in a retail grocery store. He remained there for sixteen years, securing a complete and comprehensive knowledge of every department of the business. In 1892 he bought out the grocery business of Mr. William Evers, succeeding to an established trade which he not only maintained but increased substantially. This summer Mr. Breitwieser removed to his present quarters, near the corner of Fifth and Hampshire streets, where he has one of the most attractive and inviting grocery stores in the city.



JOEL BENTON.

While he is one of the younger of the active business men of Quincy, Mr. Benton comes of one of the oldest and most widely known families. His grandfather, the late Joel Benton, came to Adams county from Connecticut in 1834, locating at Mendon, where he resided up to the time of his death, more than sixty years. His father, Mr. W. W. Benton, was born in a log cabin in Mendon, not over one hundred feet from the handsome residence which he now occupies. Mr. Joel Benton enjoyed the advantages of an excellent common school and commercial college education and in September, 1889, accepted a position in the Quincy National Bank, his father being one of the directors. Later he was one of the directors and treasurer of the Quincy Artificial Ice Company. Four years ago the Benton-Dudley Agricultural Implement Company was organized, of which Mr. Benton is manager. The company has a large salesroom on Hampshire street, near Eighth, and a spacious warehouse on Second and Vermont streets, conducting an extensive business. He is also one of the directors of the Quincy National Bank. Mr. Benton is active and energetic, attentive to business at all times, and is a worthy descendant of his New England ancestors.



J. S. SLUSHER.

Mr. J. S. Slusher was born in Bentley, Hancock county, Illinois, April 6, 1867. He is a son of Mr. J. A. Slusher, one of the pioneers of Hancock county. While attending school he worked in his father's store at Bentley and early developed a natural aptitude for merchandising. After completing a commercial college course, he accepted a position in a dry goods store at Fort Scott, Kan., and then engaged in business for himself. Two years later he concluded to return to his native state and in December, 1891, started his Noah's Ark in this city, devoted to the sale of general merchandise. The start was a very modest one, the front half of the smaller of his first Hampshire street stores being amply large to accommodate his entire stock. But the young merchant was not afraid of hard work. He had a most attractive faculty of displaying goods and the ability to sell them. His capital was turned quickly and the business prospered steadily. Soon the entire store was occupied and before the close of the third year the second and larger store was leased. New departments have been added from time to time until Mr. Slusher conducted a large and important business. Last spring he removed to the Rogers building, on Sixth and Hampshire streets, one of the largest business blocks in the city. He was married June 18, 1890, to Miss Helen Davis, of Carthage, Ill., and they have one son.



WILLIAM L. MOORE.

The chief operator of the Western Union Telegraph office in Quincy, Mr. William L. Moore, was born in Parsonsfield, Me., May 28, 1854. He is a son of the late Dr. John Moore, who came to Quincy in 1870, and who was for many years one of the leading physicians and surgeons of the city. The son left school when fifteen years of age to learn telegraphy, operating at Kankakee, Ill., and came here in the fall of 1871. He soon obtained a position with the old North Missouri Railroad at Lathrup, Mo., where he remained for a short time and then accepted a place with the Quincy, Alton & St. Louis Railway, in this city. Afterwards he held positions at Hannibal and at West Quincy and in 1876 was promoted to a position in the train dispatcher's office at the Quincy depot, which he held four years, and in 1880 was employed in the Wabash office. July 15, 1881, he went into the Western Union uptown office, where he has since remained. In August, 1894, he was appointed manager, the position which he resigned recently to resume his former place as chief operator. From 1894 until 1898, he was also superintendent of telegraph for the Quincy, Omaha & Kansas City Ry. Few men in the business have had a wider or more comprehensive training or are more thoroughly qualified for the responsible position which he now occupies. As manager of this important office he gave satisfaction to the general public as well as to the officers of the company.

HERBERT L. LONSDALE.

Mr. Herbert L. Lonsdale, of the firm of S. D. Rider & Co., has been a resident of Quincy only two years, but he has already made his influence felt in the business community. Active and aggressive, possessing unlimited capacity for detail, he is a fair type of the successful young business man of to-day. Born on a farm near Pillar Point, N. Y., August 2, 1871, he early made up his mind to engage in business and when still young secured a position with a wholesale queensware house at Watertown, N. Y. In 1894 he formed a copartnership with S. D. Rider and opened a five-and-ten-cent store at South Bend, Ind. The idea was a new one and the enterprise was immediately successful. A second store was soon after established at Lafayette and the firm now has stores at South Bend, Joliet, Decatur, Dubuque, Davenport and Quincy, nine in all, covering three states. Frequently the entire product of a factory is purchased and the firm has a buyer of their own in the European markets. Mr. Lonsdale opened the Quincy store in March, 1897. A very large business was done from the start and it has been increased steadily. Quick to determine what the people want, he is as prompt in meeting the demand. Recently the title of the firm has been changed to the S. D. Rider & Co. Syndicate. Mr. Lonsdale has made Quincy his permanent home and he is one of the city's most aggressive business men.



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ALBERT SELLNER.

Mr. Albert Sellner was born in Buffalo, N. Y., November 2, 1850, and came to this city with his parents six years later. His father, Mr. Charles Sellner, has been engaged in the leather business here for over forty years and is one of Quincy's most honored and highly respected citizens. After receiving a thorough common school education, Mr. Albert Sellner graduated from the chemistry department of the Royal Polytechnic Institute at Stuttgart, Germany. Returning to this city in 1870 he devoted himself for some time to analytical chemistry and the manufacture of chemicals. In 1873 he accepted the position of chemist with Miller, Terdenge & Co., and two years later became a partner in the business, the firm being Miller, Arthur & Sellner, remaining in the drug business until 1889. Shortly after that date he engaged in his present business, photographic supplies, in which he has been eminently successful. In chemistry, which enters so largely into successful photography, Mr. Sellner is without a peer in this locality and his high artistic attainments have also been of great advantage to him in his present line of business. He inherits the sterling qualities of his father, as well as his quiet, genial courtesy, and is a model business man and citizen.



THOMAS J. CLARK.

Mr. Thomas J. Clark, deputy internal revenue collector, was born in Huntsville township, Schuyler county, Illinois, September 16, 1853. His father, Harrison Clark, came of an old and prominent Kentucky family and located in Schuyler county in 1833, where, during his long and useful life he accumulated a large tract of valuable farming land. After obtaining a thorough common school education Thomas attended the Lincoln University for two years. In 1875 he purchased a farm in Sedgwick county, Kansas, but two years later engaged in the grain business at Wichita. In 1879 he transferred his grain business to McPherson, where he built an elevator and shipped the first car load of grain from that station. In 1881 he returned to Illinois and purchased the farm in Pea Ridge township, Brown county, where he has since resided. He was married in 1874 to Miss Virginia Anderson, of Huntsville, and they have five sons and two daughters. In 1890 Mr. Clark was special agent of the government to enumerate the recorded indebtedness in the Twelfth Congressional District and he has served several terms as secretary of the Brown County Mutual Insurance Company. He has always taken an active interest in political affairs and is widely known throughout the state.



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JAMES B. CORRIGAN.

One of the successful young men of Quincy is James B. Corrigan, a member of the enterprising hardware firm of Kreider & Corrigan. He is a native of Adams county, having been born in Liberty Township February 21, 1856. His father, James Corrigan, was one of the prominent farmers of Liberty, having lived in the township for fifty-three years, enjoying the respect and confidence of the whole community. The subject of this sketch was educated in the common schools, and then at the Camp Point High School. He then attended St. Francis College, where he graduated with high honors, receiving the degree of A. B. Deciding upon a legal profession, he studied law in the office of Carter & Govert, and while pursuing his studies he accepted a position as office deputy under Sheriff Heckle. Later he became deputy county treasurer under John B. Kreitz, and his experience and efficiency in that office led to his election as county treasurer in 1894. He served his term, and then remained in the office for a year under Treasurer George McAdams, his successor. Determining then upon a commercial life he purchased an interest in the Kreider hardware business, the firm name being changed to Kreider & Corrigan, and in that line of activity he has been very successful. Personally, Mr. Corrigan is one of the most pleasant of gentlemen, and his friends are legion. Mr. Corrigan is married, his wife's maiden name having been Miss Agnes Bernbrock, of this city.

ALDERMAN J. FRED TELLBUESCHER.

Mr. J. Fred Tellbuescher, senior alderman from the Third Ward, was born in Germany February 7, 1848, and came to this city with his parents in 1856. As a boy he was obliged to hustle for himself, working as a tobacco stemmer at 75 cents per week. He afterwards learned the trade of wood turning and in 1872 went to St. Louis, where he worked at his trade and soon secured the position of superintendent of a furniture shop at Jefferson City. In the fall of 1874 he returned to this city and shortly after concluded to take a trip over the country. Then he engaged in farming on Sni Island for five years, but the floods got most of his crops, and in 1880 he came back to the city and opened a small saloon in one corner of the old Geise paper mill. Four years later he built his present substantial buildings on South Front street. Mr. Tellbuescher has held the office of president of the local saloon keepers' association since it was formed, with the exception of three years, is vice president of the State Liquor Dealers' Association and the representative of that body for southern Illinois. He was elected to the City Council in 1894 and has been three times re-elected, at the present time being a member of the finance, ordinance, permanent improvement and street committees and chairman of the auditing committee. He is also a member of the board of health and is one of the commissioners of the House of Correction.





F. W. MENKE.

JUDGE CARTER.



E. J. PARKER.



J. J. FLYNN.



THE MEDICAL PROFESSION.

DR. JOSEPH ROBBINS.

One of the distinguished coterie of citizens of Quincy who have attained national reputation is Dr. Joseph Robbins, whose fame may be properly said to have been attained in three branches—professionally, politically and as an authority in Free Masonry. He was born in Leominster, Mass., September 12, 1834, his ancestors having been members of the Plymouth colony. His grandfather was a soldier of the revolution,

and commenced the practice of his profession in Quincy immediately after his graduation, and has continued it uninterruptedly ever since.

Dr. Robbins stands at the head of his profession, and his reputation is not bound by state lines. He has kept pace with the phenomenal progress which has been made in the science of medicine, and is awarded the foremost place by his fellow practitioners. He is a valued mem-



and a granduncle was killed at the battle of Bunker Hill. His grandfather fought all through the war for American independence, and lived to be present at the unveiling of the Bunker Hill monument. The doctor's father, Gilman Robbins, was a successful business man of Leominster, and his mother, whose maiden name was Rebecca Dunster, was a descendant of the first president of Harvard College.

Dr. Robbins early determined upon a medical career, and was professionally educated in Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. He first came to Quincy in 1858, but returned to Philadelphia to complete his medical education, graduating from Jefferson College in 1861. He com-

ber of the American Medical Association, the Illinois State Medical Society, the Adams County Medical Society and the Quincy Medical and Library Association and in all gatherings of the profession his opinions are accepted as authority.

While attaining fame in his profession, Dr. Robbins has found time to devote to public affairs and questions of state, and while he has never held office he has for many years exercised a powerful influence in the councils of the republican party in the state and nation. He has taken an intelligent interest in all questions affecting the welfare of the city, the state and the nation, and his council and judgment have

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always been sought after. His disinterested zeal and sound judgment have been recognized and appreciated by his fellow-citizens, and he has represented the party almost continuously at county, congressional district and state conventions, and in 1876 and again in 1892 was a delegate-at-large in the republican national convention. He was the nominee for the constitutional convention of 1870 and for congress in 1876. In 1896 he was urged as a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination, and his name was presented to the state convention by the solid vote of this congressional district.

Dr. Robbins is endowed with rare literary taste, and his magazine, professional and esoteric writings are recognized as classics. He was a member of the Quincy board of education for many years, and it is largely due to his efforts that the public school system of Quincy was built up to the high standard of excellence which is commended throughout the state. A ripe scholar and omnivorous student, he has for thirty years been identified with library interests. He was prominent in the work of the old library association, was one of the founders of the Quincy Public Library, and was one of the first directors of that institution and for many years after was a member of the board. So eminent has been his library work that upon the death of James Russell Young, librarian of the congressional library at Washington, Dr. Robbins was prominently mentioned as his successor in that exalted and responsible position, and his name was seriously considered for some time by President McKinley in connection with the appointment.

In addition to all these multifarious interests, Dr. Robbins has still further found time to devote to the ancient order of Free Masonry, and in that mystic association has gained a distinction which is little short of world wide. He was made a Mason in Massachusetts, and his fraters of Illinois have conferred upon him every honor within their gift. In 1876 he was chosen grand master of the Illinois grand lodge of Masons. He has reviewed the reports of the grand lodges for a number of years, and his Masonic writings are accepted as authority. For most of the time for thirty years he has prepared the correspondence reports of the Illinois grand lodge of Masons, an exalted work that has made his name familiar throughout the length and breadth of the Masonic world, the boundaries of which are coincident with the circumference of the globe.

Dr. Robbins' eminence as a physician, as a scholar and as a Mason but exemplify the indi-

vidual as a man, as a citizen. He is at all times courteous, affable and approachable, is the soul of honor and integrity, and is in every way the highest type of the American gentleman. His wife, Julia Pratt Robbins, is the editor of the Quincy Sunday Optic, and is a lady of liberal culture and high literary attainments.



DR. ROBERT J. CHRISTIE, JR.

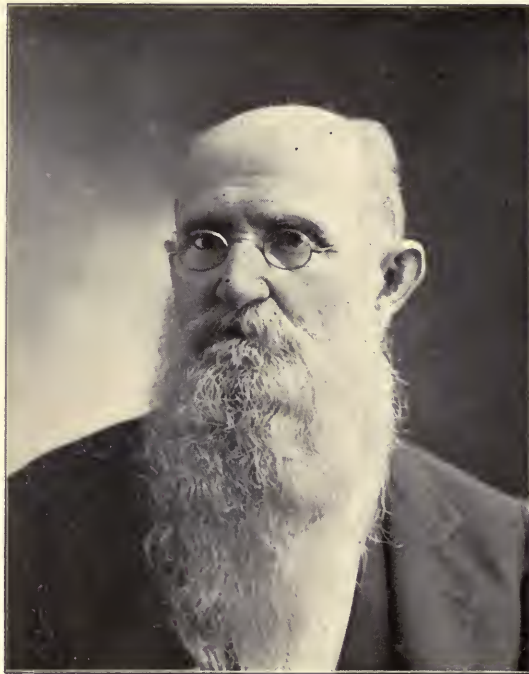
Dr. Robert J. Christie, Jr., was born in Loudoun county, Virginia, in 1864 and came to Quincy with his parents in 1886. Two years later he graduated from the medical department of Chaddock College and in 1890 graduated from the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania. He has since been associated with his father, Dr. R. J. Christie, Sr., in active practice in this city. For four years he was surgeon in charge of Blessing Hospital and is now a member of the medical board and consulting surgeon for that institution. Dr. Christie is also ex-president of the Adams County Medical Society, a member of the American Medical Association and secretary of the Quincy Board of Pension Examiners. His prominence in surgery is further attested by the fact that he is local assistant surgeon of the Hannibal & St. Joseph and the St. Louis, Keokuk & Northwestern Railways and surgeon to the Old People's Home of the German M. E. church. He is also physician and surgeon for the Travelers' Protective Association and for the United Commercial Travelers of America.

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DR. I. T. WILSON.

In term of active practice Dr. I. T. Wilson is the ranking physician of Quincy and he is also one of the most prominent members of his profession in this section of Illinois. For nearly fifty years he has been practicing medicine in this city and he is generally and favorably known throughout the community. Dr. Wilson was born in Bourbon county, Kentucky, March 24, 1825. He was licensed to practice medicine and surgery by the University of Louisville and on August 11, 1848, came to this city, but located

though unsuccessful, for the position of surgeon of that command. Soon after he was appointed brigade surgeon under General William A. Richardson, who was then a member of congress, but friends of General Richardson induced him to reluctantly resign his commission as brigadier general, on the ground that he could be of greater service to his country in congress than in the field and this resignation deprived Dr. Wilson of his coveted position at the front. Then the doctor was appointed surgeon



at Ursa, where he practiced for two years. He then graduated from the University of the City of New York and returning to Quincy has been engaged in active practice here ever since. While at Ursa, in March, 1850, he participated in the organization of the Adams County Medical Society and is now the only surviving constituent member of that body. Immediately after the attack on Fort Sumter in the spring of 1861, his services on behalf of the Union were tendered to Governor Yates, and from that time until after the close of the war he was actively engaged in the Union cause. He made the medical examinations for the Sixteenth Illinois Infantry, the first regiment to cross the Mississippi River at this point, and was a candidate,

of the Tenth Illinois Cavalry by Colonel James Barrett, of Springfield, sustained a favorable examination before the military medical board, but failed of confirmation as surgeon through the meddlesome interference of a political enemy. Early in the war, however, through the suggestion of Senator Browning and Captain Newton Flagg, he was appointed surgeon by the surgeon general of the United States and assisted in the organization of hospital number two, at the corner of Fifth and Jersey streets in this city, remaining in charge of that hospital until three months after the close of the war. Not long after taking charge of the hospital he was appointed surgeon of the preparation camp which was maintained north of the

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city most of the time during the war. This additional service, with the care of the hundreds of sick and wounded soldiers constantly in the hospital and the examination of about 22,000 men for the regular and volunteer service, was loyally performed, although the duties left very few hours for rest or sleep. Since the close of the war he served sixteen years as a member and secretary of the board of pension examiners.

The study and practice of medicine has been Dr. Wilson's chief and only ambition. He has never been a politician, but always a democrat and a supporter of the democratic ticket until 1896, when he repudiated what he considered the undemocratic platform adopted at Chicago. He served several years as chairman of the Adams county democratic committee and was chief marshal on the occasion of the great Lincoln-Douglas debate in this city, October 13, 1858. Dr. Wilson relates an interesting incident of that occasion in vindication of Judge Douglas' political integrity, or what may be termed his patriotic inconsistency. After the debate he called on Judge Douglas at the home of Dr. Samuel Rogers. In the course of the conversation the doctor asked the distinguished guest why, after announcing a year or two previous, that "the Missouri compromise was canonized in the hearts of the American people," he had voted for the repeal of that measure. Judge Douglas replied that for two or three years some of the southern senators had been talking to him about seceding from the Union, but they finally assured him that if he would aid them in the repeal of the Missouri compromise they would never say anything more about secession. "I voted for the repeal," said Judge Douglas, "as I believe, in the interest of my country."



DR. J. H. RICE.

Dr. J. H. Rice was born in Richfield township, Adams county, April 13, 1855. His father, the late William Rice, was one of the early pioneers, locating in this county in 1834, and for a long term of years he was a prominent and honored farmer. Dr. Rice graduated from the Cincinnati Medical College in 1878 and first practiced at Niantic in Macon county. He afterwards located at Mendon, where he built up a very large practice, in which he was so success-

ful that he became widely known throughout this section of the state. In 1892 he came to Quincy, the record of his success in both medicine and surgery having preceded him and he at once established an important practice. Last year in order to avail himself of the more recent development in medicine and surgery, he took a post-graduate course at the Chicago Clinical School of Medicine and graduated at Rush Medical College. He also attended surgical clinics at St. Luke's, Chicago, Presbyterian and other



large Chicago hospitals. To lay aside for several months such a practice as he left here required more than ordinary determination, but he returned fully equipped in all the latest discoveries and advancements in his important profession. Dr. Rice is a member of the Adams county, tri-state, state and national medical societies, is surgeon of the Quincy, Omaha & Kansas City Railway and a member of the Blessing Hospital staff. He is prominent in Masonry, being eminent commander of El Akxa Commandery, Knights Templar, past high priest of Mendon Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and a member of Quincy Masonic lodge. He was married in 1878 to Miss Mary St. Clair, of Mechanicsburg, Ill. They have one daughter.

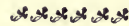
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DR. HENRY HATCH.

Dr. Henry Hatch was born February 22, 1848, in Philadelphia, Pa. Left an orphan in very early childhood he was obliged to rely on his own resources and with him the earnest work of life commenced when he was a boy. Coming west in 1856 he found a home near Griggsville, Ill., and alternately attended school and worked on a farm. When fifteen years of age he took a course in literature and science at the Illinois University at Bloomington. Three years later he became a clerk in a dry goods store at Lawrence, Kan., but having determined on a professional career returned to Griggsville in 1868 and began the study of medicine under Dr. E. R. Stoner. He afterwards attended three courses of lectures at the Louisville Medical College, where he received the degree of M. D., February 28, 1873. In 1880 he took a post-graduate course at Long Island College Hospital and then continued his studies in Europe, chiefly in Berlin and Paris, attending the clinics of some of the most eminent surgeons and physicians of Europe. On returning to this country he located in Quincy in September, 1881, where he has since been engaged in active practice. From 1882-'87 he was at various times professor, principle and practice, in the medical department of Chaddock College. He is also a contributor to Appleton's American Encyclopedia and to med-

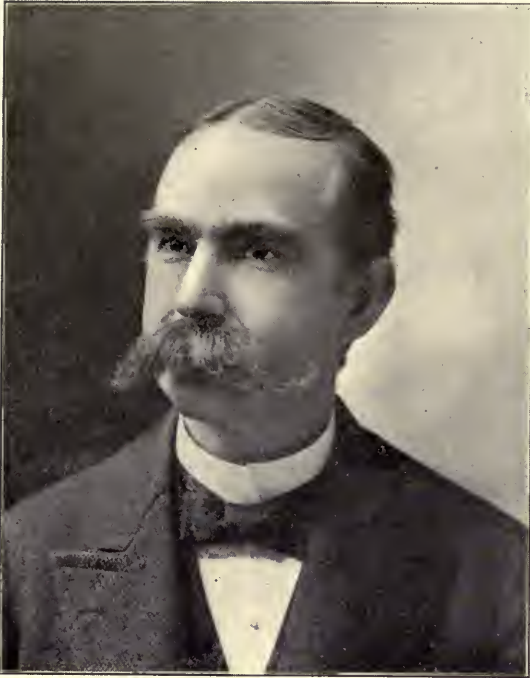
ical and surgical literature. Dr. Hatch is a member of the Adams County and Illinois State Medical Societies, the American Medical Association, the American Academy of Railway Surgeons, the International Association of Railway Surgeons, the Mississippi Valley Medical Society, the Tri-State Medical Society, of the Masonic fraternity and other fraternal organizations. He was physician in charge of Blessing Hospital 1882-'86, now consulting gyneologist to Blessing Hospital, physician in charge of Woodland Home, has been surgeon to the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway since 1893, and was president of the school board of Griggsville, 1875-'76. He is at the present time examiner for several prominent life insurance companies. He was married November 28, 1872, to Miss Clara E. Crawford, of Griggsville, who died June 12, 1892. On September 6, 1893, he married Miss Emma L. Lyon, of Sedalia, and they have one daughter, Marion Emma, born April 20, 1895.



DR. L. H. A. NICKERSON.

On April 8, 1637, William Nickerson, of Norwich, with his family, sailed from Ipswich, England, in the ship "John and Dorothy" to make for himself a home in the new world. He landed in Boston, June 20, 1637, located at Yarmouth, and while living there made the first of a series of purchases of land from the Indians, in that tract which has since become Chatham, which town he and the members of his family were principally instrumental in founding. Lineal descendants are yet living on the land originally purchased from the Indians. William Nickerson had three sons, one of whom remained in Massachusetts, a second located in Maryland and the third in Delaware, and it is from the latter branch that Dr. Nickerson is descended. The doctor was born at Camden, January 27, 1851, his father being a merchant and one of the prominent business men of the place. He obtained his early education at Dover and Wilmington and graduated in medicine and surgery from the University of Pennsylvania in March, 1874. For two years he served as resident physician in the Philadelphia Hospital, locating in this city in the spring of 1877, and during his more than twenty years' residence here he has built up a very extensive practice. For several years he had charge of Blessing Hospital and is now consulting physician to that institution. Dr. Nickerson is nominator for the Equitable Life Insurance Company for

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ten counties in western Illinois; a charter member and medical examiner for the Royal Arcanum; local surgeon for the Wabash Railway; ex-president and now treasurer of the Adams County Medical Society; member of the American Medical Association, the American Public Health Association and state and other societies. He is also president of the board of pension surgeons. One of his brothers is a surgeon in the United States navy. Dr. Nickerson was married to Miss Jessie S. Roeschlaub, daughter of Dr. Michael Roeschlaub, September 15, 1880, and they have one son, Harry L. Dr. Roeschlaub was a graduate of the University of Munich and his father was dean of that world-famous institution and private counselor to the king. Dr. Nickerson has always devoted his entire time and attention to the practice of his profession.



DR. A. A. WHIPPLE.

Dr. A. A. Whipple was born on a farm in Cattaraugus county, New York, October 31, 1845. His father served in the Union army and was captured at the battle of Gettysburg, sent as a prisoner of war to Richmond and then to Andersonville, where he died in July, 1864. During the trying times of war the care of the family and of five younger children devolved on the subject of this sketch. At the age of nine-

teen Dr. Whipple entered the employ of the Erie Railway Company and remained an employe of the freight department for seven years. He then decided to devote his life to the medical profession and went into the office of Dr. Henry Learned, at Salamanca, N. Y., afterwards graduating from the Eclectic Medical Institute of Cincinnati and the Hahnemann Medical College of Chicago. He has since attended surgical clinics at the Hahnemann College and Pratt's private clinics in surgery. Dr. Whipple first commenced practice at Randolph, N. Y., but in 1880 came to this city to take the practice of the late Dr. Moore and has become one of the leading physicians of central Illinois. For a long term of years he was treasurer of the State Homeopathic Medical Association and afterwards president and is prominently identified with the American Institute of Homoeopathy. For several years he was a member of the Quincy Board of Health. In Masonic circles he has attained unusual distinction, being grand captain of the host of the Grand Chapter of Illinois, past master of Quincy Lodge, past high priest of Quincy Chapter, past commander of El-Aksa Commandery, Knights Templar, and past commander-in-chief of Quincy Consistory. At the triennial conclave held in Boston in 1895 he was surgeon of the second regiment in the tenth division. Dr. Whipple was married in October, 1869, to Miss Lydia E. Learned at Salamanca, N. Y., and they have four sons.



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DR F. B MONTGOMERY.

Dr. E. B. Montgomery comes of a long line of well-known men in the medical world, on his mother's side reaching back to Dr. David Wishart, of Scotland, his great grandfather, whose five sons were also prominent physicians. A sister of Dr. Wishart was the wife of the celebrated Dr. Abernethy. The founder of the American branch of the Montgomery family came to this country from France early in the seventeenth century and his descendants were prominent in the Indian wars and the war of the revolution. Dr. Montgomery was born in St. Louis, May 11, 1858, and came to Quincy with his parents in January, 1865. He graduated from the Quincy High School in 1874, attended the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy 1874-5 and graduated from the Jefferson Medical College in 1878. He has since been engaged in the practice of medicine in this city and has become widely known in both medicine and surgery. From 1880 to 1885 he was secretary of the Adams County Medical Society and president of that organization in 1886. In 1884 he was a member of the Sanitary Council of the Mississippi Valley, under the presidency of Dr. John H. Rauch and made a sanitary survey of this city, which was published in the report of the State Board of Health the year following. Dr. Montgomery is a member of the Illinois

State, Tri-State, Mississippi Valley and American Medical Associations. He was a member of the committee on organization of the Pan-American Medical Congress, which he attended in 1893. From 1888 to 1893 he was physician to Blessing Hospital, surgeon of the Illinois Soldiers' and Sailors' Home from 1893 to 1897 and afterwards acting surgeon to that institution and consulting physician to Blessing Hospital. He was one of the organizers of the Quincy Medical and Library Association in 1897, and is examiner for the Northwestern, Mutual Life, Metropolitan, Aetna, Prudential, Connecticut Mutual, John Hancock and Fidelity Life Insurance companies. Dr. Montgomery was married in 1881 to Miss Agnes Cox, of this city, and they have three daughters and one son.



DR. WILLIAM S. KNAPHEIDE.

In addition to a comprehensive professional education in this country Dr. Knapheide enjoys the advantages of extended study with several of the noted teachers and scientists of Europe. He was born in Quincy in 1865, his father, Henry Knapheide, being one of the early residents of the city. After completing a thorough literary and commercial education he graduated at the Quincy College of Medicine and the Long



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the oldest and most prominent physicians in Island College Hospital in Brooklyn. Then for nearly three years he studied abroad, being a student of Prof. von Billroth, of Vienna and holding the position as intern in the Royal Surgical Hospital of Berlin, the finest and most perfectly appointed in the world, under the direction of Prof. von Bergmann. He received his diploma from that noted institution and afterwards attended medical and surgical clinics in Leipsic, Paris and London. Returning to Quincy in 1893 he at once commenced active practice and has established a wide reputation in medicine and surgery. Devoting his attention largely to abdominal surgery, in this line of practice he has performed many wonderful and successful operations. Dr. Knapheide is a member of Blessing Hospital staff, of the Berliner Medicinischer Versammlung and is the surgeon of the London Guarantee and Accident Company. He was married in 1895 to Miss Mary E. Brenner, of Mendon, and they have one son.



DR. J. B. SHAWGO.

Dr. J. B. Shawgo was born in Ohio May 7, 1843. He moved to Fulton county, Illinois, with his parents in 1855 and two years later located in Henderson county. He graduated at Abingdon College after taking the literary and scientific courses, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Science. His medical studies were prosecuted in New York and Chicago, where he had every advantage of extensive hospital practice. At the breaking out of the war he enlisted in the Eighty-fifth Illinois Volunteer Infantry and was appointed a scout, in which capacity he served until peace was declared. For some time he was one of the chief scouts of General Daniel McCook. At the terrible battle of Kennesaw Mountain, where there were more men shot than in any other engagement, Dr. Shawgo was standing on the breastworks when his brave commander was shot almost by his side and he carried him off the field. The scouting experience of Dr. Shawgo in Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia and North Carolina, in the heart of the enemies' country, would fill a volume and would prove thrilling reading. After the close of the war he was engaged in educational work for twelve years, professor of mathematics in Bonaparte Seminary, Iowa, superintendent of schools at Camp Point and at Bushnell and in 1877 came to Quincy and resumed the practice of his pro-



fession. For ten years he has been a member of the board of pension examiners, his first appointment coming from President Harrison. He served in the city council four years and was chairman of the permanent improvement committee that laid the first block of brick pavement and put in the electric lighting system. For twelve years he has been chairman of the board of commissioners of the House of Correction and he is also president of the Adams County Building Association and one of the directors of the free public library. Dr. Shawgo has a large practice, but finds time to devote to the public welfare and is a prominent and popular citizen.



DR. ALBERT H. SCHMIDT.

On March 4 of the present year Dr. Albert H. Schmidt completed his twentieth year of active practice in Quincy. Though still a young man he has not only built up a very large and lucrative practice, but has attained a wide reputation as a successful physician and surgeon. He was born in St. Paul, Minn., February 18, 1858, and came to Quincy with his parents in early childhood. His father, Dr. John Schmidt, is one of

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this section, having held a leading place in his profession for nearly sixty years, practicing in this city over forty years. Dr. Albert Schmidt received a thorough literary and classical education, after which he received instruction in medicine and surgery under his father's personal direction for some time and then graduated at the Missouri Medical College in 1879. He has since taken special courses in various departments of medicine and surgery, devoting all the time he can command to the investigation of new methods and new discoveries. Dr. Schmidt was married May 7, 1884, to Miss Susie E. Sterne, daughter of Mr. W. C. W. Sterne, one of the pioneer residents of the county. They have one son and one daughter, Albert H., Jr., and Florence G.



DR. HENRY HART.

Dr. Henry Hart is one of the successful physicians of Quincy, and has the highest standing in his profession. He was born at West Point, Hancock county, Illinois, February 13, 1863, and is a son of Dr. J. F. Hart, one of the early settlers of Hancock county. Dr. Hart, Sr., was one of the eminent physicians of western Illinois, and had practiced for thirty-five years at West

Point, where he died in 1896. Henry was educated in the public schools, and took a literary course at Chaddock College. He studied medicine at the Quincy College of Medicine, where he graduated with the highest honors in 1887. He then took a post-graduate course with full hospital practice at the Post-Graduate Medical School and Hospital of Chicago, thus perfecting himself in the science of his chosen profession. He commenced the practice of medicine with his father in Hancock county, and remained with him for two years, when he came to Quincy, opening his office here in April, 1890. His abilities were promptly recognized by the public and his professional associates, and he soon assumed a prominent position in the community. In October, 1890, he was appointed medical officer by the Quincy Board of Health during the scarlet fever and diphtheria epidemic of that year, and his wise care, knowledge of the nature of the disease and wisdom of treatment did much to check the scourges and stamp out the epidemic. He is a member of the medical staff of St. Mary's Hospital, physician to the female station, and is also a member of the surgical staff of the hospital as gynecologist. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the Adams County Medical Society and the Quincy Medical and Library Association.



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DR. OTIS JOHNSTON.



DR. J. D. JUSTICE.

Dr. J. D. Justice was born on a farm in Scotland county, Missouri, September 22, 1854. After receiving a common school education he graduated at the Missouri Medical College, March 5, 1878, and practiced medicine for two years with Dr. W. A. Monroe at Memphis, Mo. He then located at Belle Plain, Kan., where he practiced for several years. He was the local surgeon for the Missouri Pacific Railway and a member of the Kansas state and county societies. During his residence in the west he took a post-graduate course in microscopy in the laboratory of the late Karl Heitzmann in New York, and attended the surgical clinics of Thomas H. Manley at Harlem Hospital, John A. Wyeth and Paul F. Mundie at Mt. Sinai Hospital, Charles A. McBernie of the Roosevelt system; in addition he attended the Vanderbilt medical clinics and the clinics of the Bellevue Hospital Medical College. In March, 1894, Dr. Justice located in Quincy, where he has established an excellent and successful practice. He is assistant chief surgeon at St. Mary's Hospital and chief surgeon of the Fairchild Sanitorium. He is also a member of the International Association of Railway Surgeons and of the Military Tract Medical Society.

Dr. Otis Johnston was born in this city July 29, 1867, and graduated at the Quincy College of Medicine in 1889. He afterwards attended medical and surgical clinics in Chicago and St. Louis, giving special attention to advanced surgery, having special talent in surgical work. For a time he was engaged in practice with the late Dr. Lee, but afterwards occupied his present office and residence at the southwest corner of Eighth and Hampshire streets. For seven years Dr. Johnston has been surgeon-in-chief to St. Mary's Hospital. He was chief surgeon for the Quincy, Omaha & Kansas City Railway and has lately been appointed local surgeon of the Port Arthur system. He is also Supreme Medical Examiner for the Degree of Honor for Illinois. He enjoys a very extensive and successful practice in surgery, reaching out to surrounding towns and has gained an enviable reputation in this branch of his profession, as well as in medical practice. Dr. Johnston is a member of the American Medical Association, the Mississippi Valley Medical Association, Illinois State and Adams County Medical Societies and is an active member of the International Association of Railway Surgeons. He was married December 1, 1892, to Miss Maud Harrington Grieser, of this city.



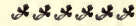
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DR. F. E. NICHOLS.

Dr. F. S. Nichols was born in Essex county, New York, in 1861. His ancestors for three generations were farmers in the Empire State and in the pioneer days were sturdy soldiers of the revolution and in the war of 1812. When a boy the doctor moved with his parents to northern Iowa and at seventeen, having decided to secure a professional education, started out on his own responsibility. Energy and pluck, supplemented by constant hard work, afforded him a three-years' course at the Nebraska Wesleyan University and he then graduated at the Hahnemann Medical College in Chicago. He practiced at Plano, Ill., four years and in 1894 located in this city, where he has built up a substantial practice, reaching out into the neighboring towns. Dr. Nichols was married in 1890 to Miss Jesse M. Ewen, of York, Neb., and they have one son and one daughter. His spacious offices

in the Dodd building are most artistically arranged and furnished, the ladies' reception room being a gem in pure Moorish art.



DR. CHARLES DEWEY CENTER.

Dr. Center was born at Ottawa, Ill., July 8, 1869. He is a graduate of Knox Academy, Knox College, Rush Medical College and served a full term of service in the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, as house surgeon. While in the hospital he made a specialty of female surgery. His first practice was at Iron Belt, Wis., on the Gogebic range and he then practiced for a time at the Palmer House, Chicago. In April, 1896, he came to Quincy. Dr. Center is on the Blessing Hospital staff and has built up an extensive medical and surgical practice, in which he has been uniformly successful. His offices are in the new Dodd building.



THE DENTAL PROFESSION.

DR. ROBERT A. GARDNER.

There are many dentists in Quincy, but none of them rank higher than Robert Adams Gardner. He was born at Battle Creek, Mich., September 1, 1861, his parents being of Scotch

surgery. Dr. Gardner has kept fully abreast of the times in the progress of his profession, and his talents have placed him in the front rank of dentists. Dr. Gardner is a Mason of exalted



descent. When a child his parents moved to Hannibal, Mo., where he attended the common schools. He moved to Quincy with his parents while a boy in his teens, and this city has been his home ever since. Deciding upon dentistry as a profession, he went into the office of Dr. Frederick P. Moore, where he remained for six years. In 1888 he entered the American Dental College at Chicago, where he took the full course, and graduated with high honors March 26, 1890. He then returned to Quincy and entered upon the practice of his profession, in which he has been very successful. His offices occupy a choice suite of rooms in the Wells building, and they are equipped with all the latest appliances and instruments of dental

degree, being a Knight Templar of El Akxa Commandery, a member of Quincy Consistory, and a noble of Medina Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

He was married December 17, 1885, to Miss Mamie Oertle, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Oertle, of this city. They have two children—Robert William and Helen—and a cordial welcome always awaits their friends at their home on Hampshire street. Dr. Gardner is a member of several societies, professional and social, including the Knights of Pythias and Royal Arcanum, and his purse is always open to the assistance of the needy and the furtherance of any worthy cause.

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DR. H. F. NAUMANN.

Among the younger dentists of Quincy Dr. H. F. Naumann holds a prominent place in his profession. He located here in the spring of 1892 and in seven years has established a large and prosperous practice, being well and favorably known in many of the surrounding towns. Dr. Naumann was born at Belleville, Ill., March 30, 1871. His professional education was supplemented by careful study at the Wesleyan University at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, and at the Central Wesleyan College at Warrenton, Mo. In 1892 he graduated in surgeon dentistry at the Missouri Dental College in St. Louis, the dental department of the Washington University. It was then that he opened his office in this city, where he has since been in active practice. He is a close student, keeping himself fully informed in all developments of his chosen profession. Dr. Naumann was married in 1894 to Miss Nellie Grimpe, of Warsaw, Ill.



DR. THOMAS D. GARDNER.

Dr. Thomas D. Gardner was born in Liverpool, England, in 1862. His father, the late John Gardner, was a son of James Gardner, Esq., of Edinburgh, one of the most noted scientists of Europe. Coming to Quincy with his parents in 1867, Dr. Gardner obtained a comprehensive literary education and then learned the machinist's trade at the Gardner Governor Works. Deciding to adopt the dental profession he graduated from the Chicago College of Dental Surgery in 1888 and took a post graduate course. The year following his graduation he succeeded to the extensive practice of Dr. T. L. Gilmer, at that time the most eminent surgeon dentist in Quincy and he has fully sustained the enviable reputation of his predecessor. In ten years Dr. Gardner has taken prominent rank among the successful surgeon dentists of the state. He was married in 1895 to Miss May Barr, of this city.



IN THE SPANISH WAR.

CAPT. HARRY D. BLASLAND.

When the call for troops was issued by President McKinley in the Spanish-American war, Captain Blasland was one of the first to volunteer. He is the captain of Company F, Fifth Regiment, Illinois National Guard, and his men stood by him almost to a man. For twelve years he has been identified with the National Guard, enlisting first in Company D, Fifth Regiment, in 1887, as a private. Three years later

ordered to Chickamauga and was the first volunteer regiment in camp in the south. This was also one of the first regiments ordered to Cuba, but for some unexplained reason the order was countermanded after the soldiers were on the cars ready to start to the seaboard. After tiresome weeks of waiting, orders came for the Fifth to proceed to Porto Rico. They went to Newport News and were loaded on a

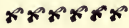


he went to St. Joseph, Mo., and was one of the organizers of the military company in that city, holding the position of first sergeant. On his return to Quincy in 1894, Company D having been mustered out of service, he assisted in organizing Company F and was elected first lieutenant on September 11. On October 26, 1896, he was elected captain and at once proceeded to enforce strict discipline, bringing the company up to the highest state of efficiency. For the Cuban war he recruited the company to 106 men and in addition furnished a number of men for the Sixth Regiment. After two weeks in camp at Springfield, the Fifth Regiment was

transport ready to start, when they were turned back a second time by the signing of the peace protocol. From Newport News they were ordered to Lexington, where they remained until they returned to Springfield and were mustered out October 16, 1898. Quincy will never forget the farewell to her brave soldier boys when they left for the front in the early spring morning. Amid the booming of cannon and ringing of bells the whole city assembled at the train to bid them God-speed. But the welcome home eclipsed even the farewell and was such a demonstration as the city never before witnessed. Her sons had acquitted themselves

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nobly. They had responded to every duty and were ready to offer their lives in the cause of liberty. All Quincy was proud of them and all the people did them honor. In closing the military biography of Captain Blasland it should be said that he is an ideal soldier and a born commander. Of unusual physical strength and physical courage, he is quiet and reserved, yet quick to act and prompt to execute. He commands the confidence of his men and the respect of his superior officers. In civil life Captain Blasland is bookkeeper and cashier of the Gem City Saw Mill Company. He is a son of Mr. S. A. Blasland, of St. Louis, for many years one of the leading and most highly respected wholesale merchants of this city. Born in Boston August 2, 1870, he came to Quincy with his parents in 1871. After attending the public schools of this city and the Billerica Academy, near Boston, he went into the wholesale boot and shoe house of Kingsbury, Blasland & Co. In 1890 he went to St. Joseph with his father and later accepted a position with the North River Shoe and Leather Company in New York, in which his father was interested. In 1893 he returned to Quincy and identified himself with the saw mill company. In July of this year Captain Blasland was appointed by President McKinley first lieutenant of the Thirty-fourth United States Infantry and left with his regiment for service in the Philippines.

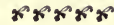


DR. HENRY L. WHIPPLE.

Dr. Henry L. Whipple, formerly first lieutenant of Company F and now inspector of rifle practice for the Fifth Regiment, has contributed largely in establishing the enviable reputation which the Quincy company enjoys as one of the finest commands in the Illinois National Guard. Enlisting in Company D in 1886 as a private he was promoted to every office up to and including second lieutenant, resigning the last named office to attend dental college. On his return to Quincy he enlisted in Company F and in 1896 was elected first lieutenant. Dr. Whipple served with distinction in the Cuban campaign. He was appointed commissary of the Fifth Regiment by Colonel Culver, serving on the staff until the regiment was mustered out and commanding to the fullest degree the respect and confidence of his superior officers, as well as the good will and esteem of the men in the ranks. In May of this year he was appointed by Colonel Culver inspector of rifle practice, with the rank of captain.



Dr. Whipple is a son of Dr. A. A. Whipple and was born at Salamanca, N. Y., January 3, 1871. He came here with his parents in 1880 and on completing his literary education graduated from the Chicago College of Dental Surgery in 1894, receiving the degree of D. D. S. He is a member of the faculty of the Keokuk Dental College, being adjunct professor of operative dentistry and is also dental surgeon of Blessing Hospital, and a member of the Illinois State Dental Society. He ranks among the leading dentists of the city and has built up an extensive practice. Dr. Whipple was married July 20, 1891, to Miss Alice C. Reed, of this city, and they have one son and one daughter.



LIEUT. JOHN R. McLELLAN.

Lieutenant John R. McLellan is a southerner by birth, having first seen the light at Bagdad, Florida, February 9, 1874. His father and mother were both natives of Scotland, having located in Florida in 1872. Lieutenant McLellan came north when a young man and in September, 1890, located in Quincy, entering the office of the Quincy, Omaha & Kansas City Railroad. His abilities soon advanced him to the position of chief clerk in the auditor's office, and when the road was merged into the Port Arthur system he was transferred to the general offices in Kansas City. He continued in the

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ADJUTANT ALFRED L. CASTLE.



railroad service until he went to the front in the war with Spain in the spring of 1898. He early had a liking for military affairs, and in the spring of 1893 enlisted as a private in Company D, Fifth Regiment, Illinois National Guard. He was soon appointed a sergeant, and when that company was mustered out he assisted in the organization of Company F of the same regiment in September, 1894, and was appointed third sergeant. He was steadily advanced until in October, 1896, he was elected second lieutenant of the company. When the war with Spain broke out and the president called for troops Lieutenant McLellan was one of the first to offer his services with the company. He was commissioned a lieutenant in the Fifth Illinois Infantry, and served with that command during the war.

When the war was over and the regiment was mustered out of the United States service, Lieutenant McLellan returned to Quincy, and entered the employ of the Adams Express Company as cashier of the local office, but in May resigned this position to accept a position in the general offices of the Omaha, Kansas City & Eastern Railway. He is an expert accountant, as he was a good soldier, and enjoys the highest degree of personal popularity. At the present time he is bookkeeper and cashier for the Gem City Saw Mill Company.

Alfred L. Castle was born in this city March 2, 1875, and is a son of Mr. Chauncey H. Castle. After leaving the public schools he attended the Western Military Academy at Alton, holding every office in the academy service from corporal to first lieutenant and graduating as brevet second lieutenant in the Illinois National Guard. He went into Company F of this city in 1894 as second sergeant and sergeant major of the battalion. In April, 1897, he was elected first lieutenant and adjutant of the second battalion. When the Cuban war broke out he went into the service as battalion adjutant of the second battalion, Fifth Regiment, which position he held until the regiment was mustered out of service. Early in the war it was generally believed that additional troops would be required and Adjutant Castle recruited a full battalion of four companies ready for service, but fortunately they were not needed. The son of a brave soldier, he is full of loyalty and patriotism and is an exceptionally good commanding officer. He is a fine horseman and his courage has never been questioned. Adjutant Castle became identified with the Comstock-Castle Stove Company in 1894 and now represents the company on the road in the south and west.



THE BENCH AND BAR.

JUDGE JOSEPH N. CARTER.

Quincy has given many eminent men to the public service of the state and nation, and among these is Joseph N. Carter, chief justice of the supreme court of Illinois. Judge Carter is a quiet and unostentatious gentleman, always the same to friends old and new, and yet he ranks as one of the ablest jurists in the country. He is a Kentuckian by birth, his ancestors coming from Virginia. He first saw the light in

Michigan at Ann Arbor. He graduated there in 1868, and came to Quincy in 1869, being admitted to the bar the same year. The next year he formed a law partnership with William H. Govert, which continued uninterruptedly until 1879, when Judge Sibley became a member of the firm, retiring in 1884. In 1888 Mr. Theodore Pape was admitted to membership and the firm of Carter, Govert & Pape was continued



Hardin county, Kentucky, and was the fourth of ten children born to William P. and Martha (Mays) Carter. His grandfather, James Carter, was a Virginian, and traced his ancestry back to England. His mother was also a native of the Old Dominion. In 1857, when the future jurist was fourteen years of age, his parents removed to Charleston, Coles county, Illinois, and he came with them. A year later they removed to Douglas county, this state. He acquired his early education at Big Springs, Ky., and Tuscola, Ill., and then taught a country school for three years. He entered Illinois College at Jacksonville in 1863, graduating in 1866, and having decided upon the law as a profession entered the law department of the University of

until Judge Carter's election to the supreme bench in 1894.

Judge Carter is a republican in politics, and in 1878 was elected as a member of the lower house of the thirty-first general assembly. So ably did he serve his constituents that he was re-elected in 1880. In 1882 he was nominated by his party for state senator, and so great was his personal popularity that while the district was democratic by 1,500 he was defeated by less than 500.

In 1894 Judge Carter was nominated by the republicans of the Fourth supreme judicial district as their candidate for the supreme court to succeed Judge Simeon P. Shope. The district was democratic by 12,000, being composed of

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twelve counties. Judge Carter's abilities were so fully recognized and his personal popularity was so great that that majority was overcome and he was elected by 4,500. The campaign attracted attention all over the country, and Judge Carter at once sprang into national fame. His services on the supreme bench have been brilliant, and in 1898 he became chief justice of that august tribunal.

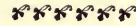
Judge Carter was married in 1879 to Miss Nellie Barrell, of Springfield, Ill. Her father, George Barrell, was a famous sea captain, and had visited every habitable portion of the globe. They have three children—Henry B., who is now at Princeton College, William Douglas and Josephine.



JUDGE JOHN C. BROADY.

Judge John C. Broady is a fair example of what can be accomplished under adverse conditions and by individual effort and determination. He was born on a farm near Liberty, in this county, June 29, 1849. In his boyhood he was large of his age, strong and willing to work and more than the ordinary share of farm duties devolved on him. Fond of books he early determined to secure an education. Up to the beginning of his twenty-first year, however, his

schooling was confined to the district school and Quincy schools and such reading and study as he could combine with his work. Then he taught school in Richfield township for a short time, saving money enough to enter the law department of the Michigan University. The libraries afforded opportunities for gratifying his taste for books and he was a constant reader and a close student. After graduating he read law for a time with Judge Thompson and was admitted to the bar in June, 1874. As Judge Thompson used to say, he was as poor as a church mouse. But he had a thorough knowledge of the law and was a safe adviser and counselor. Applying himself closely, business came to him and success in his profession was not long delayed. He had never been known as an active politician and had never held office or been a candidate for office until he was nominated for circuit judge in the democratic convention of 1897. On the bench Judge Broady is a painstaking and impartial judge. He has a marked judicial turn of mind, close application and attention to details being strong characteristics. He is interested in important business enterprises in Quincy and has gained more than the ordinary degree of success in the profession to which he is devoted.



JUDGE CARL E. EPLER.

Judge Carl E. Epler, county judge of Adams county, is one of the youngest jurists in the state, but his services on the bench have won him a most enviable reputation. He was born at Jacksonville, Ill., his father, Judge Cyrus Epler, served on the circuit bench for many years. Judge Epler graduated at Illinois College at Jacksonville in 1876, and was the valedictorian of his class. He took a course at Yale in 1877 and 1878, receiving the degree of M. A. from that famous college, and then studied law in the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. He was admitted to the bar of Illinois in June, 1879, and came to Quincy in 1880, beginning the practice of law in the office of the late Colonel W. W. Berry.

In politics Judge Epler is a democrat, and soon became one of the local leaders of that party. He was elected city attorney in 1881, and served for three successive terms in that office. During his term of office he represented the city in some very important litigation, including the city bond cases and the old water works contract, in which he successfully defended the city and materially aided in the mak-



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HON. WILLIAM SCHLAGENHAUF.

The Hon. William Schlagenhauf, republican member of the general assembly from this district, was born in Belleville, Ill., March 8, 1867. He graduated from the Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, German College and from the law department of the Michigan State University. In June, 1890, he opened an office for the practice of law in this city with the late Colonel Berry and has gained for himself an enviable reputation at the bar. Exercising great care in preparing his cases, a constant student and a tireless worker, his comprehensive knowledge of the law makes him unusually successful in his practice. He was assistant city attorney under Mr. Homer Swope. In 1892 he was president of the South Side Republican Club, the largest political organization ever formed in Quincy, and in 1896 was secretary of that organization. Last fall he was elected to the state legislature and though one of the younger members has taken prominent part in framing legislation. He is chairman of the committee on Soldiers' Home and Soldiers' Orphans' Home and a member of the committee on claims, elections, judiciary, revenue, municipal corporations, state institutions and fish and game, a list that includes several of the most important committees of the house. Mr. Schlagenhauf was married in 1892 to Miss Lillie M. Uecke, of this city, and they have one son and one daughter.



ing of new and more favorable contracts. He was instrumental in police court reform, and drafted the ordinance making the police magistrate a salaried officer, instead of being paid by fees. In 1885 Judge Epler revised the city code, and in 1886 placed \$150,000 of Quincy refunding bonds at 4½ per cent, being the first Quincy bonds floated at that low rate of interest.

He was elected state's attorney in 1891, and as such conducted the prosecution of W. J. Jamieson for the murder of Charles Aaron. The case was carried to the United States supreme court by the defense, but the state won, and Jamieson was hanged. Among other important cases conducted by him was the famous Knox shooting affair, and the perjury cases growing out of it.

Judge Epler was elected county judge in November, 1894, defeating for the nomination of his party the previous summer Judge B. F. Berrian, who had been county judge for seventeen years. He was re-elected in 1898 for another term of four years. Some very important cases have come before Judge Epler since his elevation to the bench, and his decisions have given satisfaction. He was the first judge in the state to pass on the validity of the inheritance tax law, and his decision upholding that law has since been affirmed by the supreme court.



GEN. ELISHA B. HAMILTON.

As soldier, lawyer and citizen, the name of General Elisha B. Hamilton ranks among the foremost of Quincy men who have won a reputation which extends beyond the borders of the state. He was born at Carthage, Hancock County, Illinois, October 5, 1838, and his life has been a busy one since his earliest boyhood. His father, Artois Hamilton, was born at Tolland, Mass., and his mother, Atta Bentley, at

was the youngest of six children, and his early boyhood was spent among the thrilling scenes of the Mormon war, which stirred the state at that time. He saw Joseph Smith when he jumped from the window of the Carthage jail and was killed by the mob. He had two brothers, Marvin and William, in the company of Carthage Greys, which guarded the jail the day the prophets were killed, and participated in



Mayfield, N. Y. They were married February 22, 1827, and moved to Carthage in 1835. Here the father purchased a large tract of land, which he made into a number of farms. For many years he kept the "village tavern" at Carthage, which was known far and wide, and was the resort for Lincoln, Douglas, Mitchell, Judge Logan, O. H. Browning, Bushnell and all the prominent lawyers and public men of that day who visited this part of the state in campaigns or on the regular circuit.

It was in this tavern that the bodies of Joseph and Hiram Smith, the Mormon prophets, were laid out on the night of their killing at the Carthage jail June 27, 1844, and on the following morning General Hamilton's father took the bodies of the dead Mormon leaders and delivered them to their friends at Nauvoo. Elisha

what became known as the battle of Nauvoo in the fall of 1846.

As a boy, General Hamilton worked on the farm in spring and summer, and attended the country school in winter, that being before the days of public schools, and when the teachers "hired out" and "boarded 'round." He lost his mother in the cholera epidemic of 1851. The dread scourge entered the family in July of that year, and the mother, a brother, sister and two aunts died within a few days. Four persons died in the house the first day, all having been apparently well in the morning.

In the fall of 1856 he entered Illinois College at Jacksonville, and has ever retained a warm spot in his heart for his alma mater. The trip from Carthage to Jacksonville was a rather tedious one in those days, the young student

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going by carriage from Carthage to Plymouth, from there by the old Northern Cross Railroad to Camp Point, where he stayed over night, thence by stage east, breakfast at Mt. Sterling, dinner at Meredosia, and on to Naples, there in the afternoon he took the Great Western Railroad to Jacksonville, being a day and a half on the way. He graduated at Illinois College June 21, 1860, with the degree of B. S., and on June 6, 1873, the college voluntarily conferred upon him the degree of A. B. In college he was a member of the Phi Alpha Society, and is ever a welcome visitor there now, the college counting him among the most distinguished of its alumni.

General Hamilton early took an interest in military matters and before the civil war he was for three years a member of the Carthage Guards, a noted military company of those days. In August, 1862, at Carthage, he enlisted in what became Company B, One Hundred and Eighteenth Illinois Infantry Volunteers, and served with that regiment until the fall of 1865, participating with it in all the battles, where its valor made it one of the famous commands of the western armies. He won distinction in a number of hard-fought engagements, and on November 14, 1863, he was commissioned first lieutenant of his company for gallant and meritorious service. He was mustered out in October, 1865, having served over three years continuously with his regiment at the front, participating in Sherman's first attack on Vicksburg, Grant's campaign around and siege of Vicksburg, the siege and capture of Jackson, Miss., Franklin's march into western Louisiana, and battle of Grand Couteau, Davidson's famous raid, and numerous cavalry raids and fights. Near the close of his service he was assistant adjutant general on the staff of General Fonda, commanding the district of Baton Rouge, La.

General Hamilton continued his interest in military matters after leaving the United States service, and in 1872 he assisted in organizing the well-known company of Quincy National Guards, in which he was commissioned first lieutenant by Governor Beveridge January 14, 1873, and became captain in 1876. He was in command of the Eighth Illinois Infantry at East St. Louis during the great strike of 1877, and for his efficient services there was promoted to brigadier general by Governor Cullom, his commission bearing date February 26, 1878. He was successively appointed inspector general for the state of Illinois by Governors Cullom, Ham-

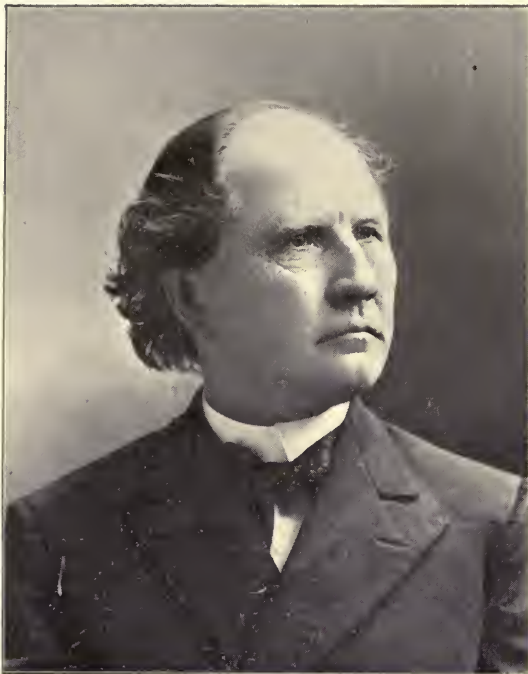
ilton and Oglesby, and served until October, 1887, when he resigned. His efficient services in the organization and perfection of the Illinois National Guard have been fully appreciated by all the commanders of the state troops.

General Hamilton moved to Quincy in 1866, and entered the office of Warren & Wheat, where he read law, and was admitted to practice by the supreme court of Illinois in January, 1869. He has been a member of the firms of Warren, Wheat & Hamilton, Wheat, Ewing & Hamilton, and Ewing & Hamilton, and is at present the senior member of the firm of Hamilton & Woods, all of which firms have been well known for their ability and business. He practiced law at Kansas City, Mo., from the summer of 1887 to the spring of 1891.

In politics General Hamilton is an aggressive republican and wields a powerful influence in the councils of that party. He has never held an elective office, although repeatedly urged to permit the use of his name for high position. In 1868 President Johnson appointed him surveyor of customs of the port of Quincy and President Grant reappointed him in 1872. He was successively appointed deputy United States marshal for this section of the state by Marshals Tanner and Wheeler.

General Hamilton is a prominent Grand Army man, and has been an aide upon the staffs of many of the national commanders. He was senior vice-commander of the department of Illinois in 1893-4, and is at present judge advocate of the department. He has served a number of terms as commander of John Wood Post, No. 96. He is a member of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee, and at one time vice president, and is also a member of the Loyal Legion. A Mason of high degree, he is a member of Quincy lodge, Quincy chapter, R. A. M., and El Akxa commandery of Knights Templar. He was a member of the Encore club, and part of the time president, a literary society which existed here many years, and from which sprang the present splendid public library. With Messrs. Emery, Holmes, Bishop, Mills, Keath, Keyes, Doyen, McFaden and others, he gave courses of lectures and raised large sums of money, which were turned into the then small treasury of the public library, the nucleus of the present grand institution. General Hamilton was married September 10, 1878, to Miss Mary E. Fisk, of this city, and they have one son and one daughter, Elisha B. Hamilton, Jr., now at Illinois College, and Lucy A.

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WILLIAM H. GOVERT.

One of the ablest members of the Quincy bar is William H. Govert, senior member of the well-known law firm of Govert & Pape. He was born in Fort Madison, Iowa, September 10, 1844, and graduated with high honors in the literary department of Illinois College at Jacksonville in 1867. He then became a student in the law department of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, where he graduated in 1870. Immediately after his graduation he came to Quincy, and was admitted to the bar the same year, 1870, commencing the practice of his profession with Joseph N. Carter, the firm name being Carter & Govert. The firm continued without change until 1888, when Theodore Pape was admitted, the name then becoming Carter, Govert & Pape, and when Judge Carter was chosen to the bench of the supreme court in 1894 it became Govert & Pape.

Mr. Govert is recognized as one of the brilliant attorneys of Illinois, and his practice is a most lucrative one. He was elected city attorney in 1872, and served two terms. He was then elected state's attorney, succeeding Judge W. G. Ewing, in 1876, and served two terms in that position. He is also actively interested in several of the largest financial and industrial institutions of Quincy. He is one of the proprietors of the State Street Bank, and also a stock-

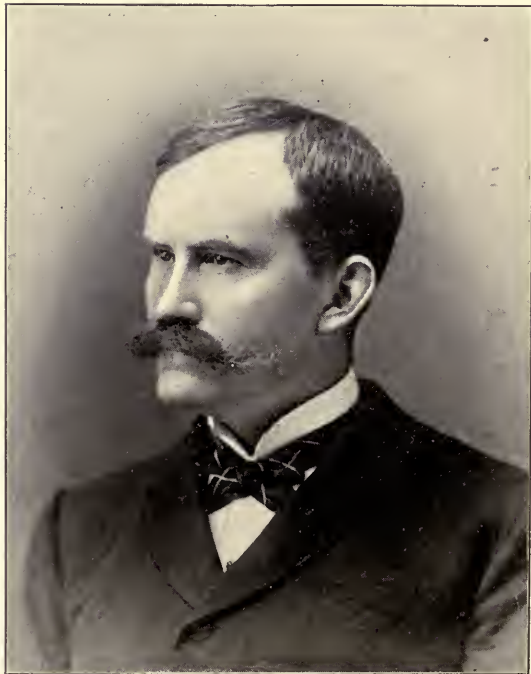
holder in the Ricker National and the Quincy National Banks. He is president of the Collins Plow Company, president of the J. R. Little Metal Wheel Company, president of the Quincy Corn Planter Company, president of the Quincy Pressed Brick Company, a director in the Gem City Stove Company and a director of the F. W. Menke Stone and Lime Company.

He was married September 25, 1873, to Miss Rosa F. Wood, of Jacksonville, and their home at Twelfth and Vine streets is one of the pleasantest in the city. They have one son and two daughters, Anna and Edith. The son, George, graduated with honors at Yale University and is now studying law at the University of Michigan.



L. E. EMMONS, SR.

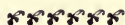
Mr. L. E. Emmons, the eminent attorney, was born in New York City, but came west when quite a boy, and was reared on a farm near Bristol, Ill. He went to the district school in the winter time, and attended two terms at Mt. Morris Seminary. At twenty-three he commenced the study of law in the law department of the old Chicago University, graduated in 1861, and was admitted to practice by the supreme court the same year. He practiced his profes-



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sion in Kendall county until 1864, when he enlisted in the army and helped to organize the One Hundred and Forty-seventh Illinois Infantry. He was commissioned first lieutenant, but was assigned by the department to detached service as ordnance officer, subsequently as assistant commissary, in which position he served until discharged in March, 1866. He was married to Miss Fletcher in Marietta, Ga., in May, 1866, and came to Quincy in September of that year. He at once opened a law office, and has been in active practice here ever since, rising to a most eminent position at the bar, a place which has been won by his comprehensive knowledge of the law and his conscientious care of the interests of his clients. His first partners were General B. M. Prentiss, the hero of the battle of Shiloh, and M. R. Buttz. In 1875 Mr. Emmons formed a partnership with the late Senator Albert W. Wells, which continued to the death of the latter in 1896, and he then took his son, L. E. Emmons, Jr., as his partner.

Mr. Emmons has been a member of the Episcopal church since 1872, and on the formation of the Diocese of Quincy was appointed by the bishop chancellor of the Cathedral of St. John. He has been junior warden of that church for the past ten years. Mr. and Mrs. Emmons have two children—one son, his law partner, and one daughter.



JAMES N. SPRIGG.

Mr. James N. Sprigg was born in a log house on a farm in Schuyler county, August 15, 1850. His early life was spent at hard farm work, plowing bare-footed, and a man's work about the farm being his daily task during his early boyhood. His early education and the foundation for his later study was obtained at home. The teacher of the district school usually boarded at his house and assisted him in his lessons in the evening after his work was done, his love for books often inspiring him to study far into the night. In 1876 he graduated from Harvard University with the degree of L. L. B. and was admitted to the Massachusetts bar on public examination in open court. Soon after he located in Quincy, being admitted by the supreme court to the Illinois bar and began the practice of his profession. He afterwards became a member of the bar of the United States district court, the circuit, appellate and supreme courts and has since been engaged in general practice. For about two years after coming to Quincy he was a member of the firm

of Keath & Sprigg and was then alone until 1886, when the firm of Sprigg & Anderson was formed, continuing until 1896, with the exception of two years, when the title was Sprigg, Anderson & Vandeventer. In association with Mr. Anderson, Mr. Sprigg acted for several years as corporation counsel for the city. In 1893 he succeeded the late Mr. Wheat as county attorney for Adams county, by appointment of the board of supervisors, which position he still holds. Politically, Mr. Sprigg inherited the faith of the old-fashioned abolitionists, early



acquiring prejudices against human slavery, all tendency thereto being hateful and abhorrent to him. Up to Cleveland's second term he had voted the republican ticket and in the last national campaign he endorsed the democratic platform adopted at Chicago, being now one of the active members of that party. In politics, as in business affairs, Mr. Sprigg has the courage of his convictions and is positive and outspoken in all things. In his profession he has been uniformly successful and is one of the prominent members of the Illinois bar. Mr. Sprigg was married June 27, 1889, to Miss Annie C. Gilman, of Haverhill, Mass. Besides their beautiful and hospitable home on East Jersey street they have a model farm east of Quincy, which is the scene of most delightful entertainments.



WILLIAM A. RICHARDSON.

The Hon. William A. Richardson is a worthy son of one of the distinguished men of Illinois. His father, the late Colonel William A. Richardson, was for many years the associate of Lincoln, Douglas and Browning and gained distinction as a soldier and as a statesman. In both branches of the state legislature, in both branches of Congress and in the councils of the state and nation he wielded a commanding influence. He came to Illinois from Kentucky in 1831 and five years later was elected to the state legislature from Schuyler county. In 1838 he was chosen a member of the state senate and in 1844, being once more a member of the general assembly, was elected speaker. The same year he was one of the presidential electors on the democratic ticket. When the Mexican war broke out, although just at the spring-tide of political preferment, he resolved to espouse the cause of his country on the field of strife. Raising a company he at once went to the front and did noble service. On the field of Buena Vista he was promoted to the position of lieutenant colonel for gallant and heroic conduct. On his return home he was elected to congress to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Judge Douglas, serving for ten years, a recognized leader of his party in that body. In 1856 he was the democratic nominee for governor,

being defeated by Governor Bissell by only 3,000 votes. In 1857 he was appointed governor of Nebraska by President Buchanan. Returning to Quincy he was again elected to congress in 1860, serving until 1863, when he was chosen United States senator to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Judge Douglas. For more than thirty years Colonel Richardson occupied a commanding position in shaping the affairs of the state and nation. He had few equals on the stump and few men had greater influence with the masses. His death, December 27, 1875, was universally mourned.

The Hon. William A. Richardson, Jr., was born in Washington June 24, 1848, while his father was in congress. After completing a comprehensive scientific education he accepted a position as engineer in the survey and construction of the railroad from Quincy to Louisiana. Later he was assistant engineer and resident engineer in the construction of the Sni Levee, in this work establishing what were called the Richardson levels. He was also engaged in the survey and construction of the railway from Chillicothe to Omaha, now a part of the Port Arthur System; in the survey and construction of the Atchison branch of the Hannibal & St. Joseph Railway, built by General Singleton, and also had an appointment as engineer on the Northern Pacific, which he resigned to return to Quincy. Here he read law with the Hon. O. H. Browning, being admitted to the bar in 1876. In April of that year he was appointed master in chancery, serving nine years, was elected city attorney in 1878-9 and a member of the Illinois legislature in 1880. From 1885 to 1891 he was United States commissioner, resigning the office owing to impaired health and engaging in extensive farming interests in Minnesota, retaining his residence in this city. He is a member of the board of directors of the public library and has always manifested a deep interest in all public affairs. January 3, 1881, Mr. Richardson was married to Miss Anna D. McFadon.



FRANKLIN M. McCANN.

Mr. Franklin M. McCann, one of the most prominent of the younger attorneys of Quincy, is a native of this county, having been born at Columbus. When he was a few months old his parents moved to Quincy, and this city has been his home ever since. His father, Wesley D. McCann, was one of the pioneers of Adams county, coming from Kentucky and settling at Columbus, which at that time gave promise of being quite a city. Quincy was at that time a



GEORGE H. WILSON.

Mr. George H. Wilson, state's attorney for Adams county and a member of the law firm of Wilson & Wall, is a son of the Rev. H. Wilson, member of the Illinois conference of the M. E. church, and was born at Barry, Ill., November 7, 1866. He graduated from the Pittsfield High School in 1883 and from Illinois College in 1888, securing the highest honors of his class, the valedictory and receiving the degree of A. B. In 1891 he received the degree of A. M. from the same institution. In 1888-9 he held the position of assistant principal of the Carrollton, Ill., schools under David Felmley, now professor of mathematics in the State Normal University. Deciding to adopt the legal profession Mr. Wilson attended Union College of Law and studied under Mr. James F. Carrott, being admitted to the bar in June, 1891. In 1896 he was elected state's attorney for Adams county on the republican ticket. A successful attorney and a safe adviser, he has already attained prominence in his profession and his administration of the important and responsible office which he holds is giving very general satisfaction. Mr. Wilson is secretary of the Illinois State's Attorneys' Association, a member and the secretary of the board of directors of the Anna Brown Home for the Aged and a trustee of Illinois College. He was married June 14, 1894, to Miss Frances W. Hall, of Jacksonville, Ill.

small village, and seeing that it was destined to be the greater he moved here, and this city was his home until his death in 1890. Wesley D. McCann was a strong character in every way, and while he was unostentatious in all his methods he left his impress upon the community. He despised dishonorable methods in any direction, was kind to the poor, whom he was continually helping, loved his home and his family, and left them the rich inheritance of a good name. His widow, the mother of the subject of this sketch, still resides in the old family homestead on East Maine street. Franklin McCann finished his literary education at Illinois College at Jacksonville, and graduated with high honors. He then studied law, and when twenty-four years of age was admitted to the bar and commenced the practice of his profession. He has devoted himself wholly to it, and has built up a lucrative practice. He has kept aloof from politics, and has never been a candidate for any office, although he has been often urged to permit the use of his name. His success has been attained through his own individual efforts, unaided by politics or otherwise, and his splendid practice and high standing at the bar offer the greatest inspiration to young men just entering upon the most arduous of professions. Mr. McCann was married in 1893 to Miss Luella Adams at Topeka, Kan., and they have one child, an infant daughter, Edith Adams McCann.





JUDGE B. F. BERRIAN.

While ex-Governor Wood is the founder of Quincy, to the late George W. Berrian, father of Judge B. F. Berrian, belongs the distinction of discovering the site of the Gem City. In the spring of 1818 Mr. Berrian, with his uncle, Richard Berrian, started from New York in a covered buggy to visit that section of western Illinois known as the Military Tract. Their trip was a long and eventful one, much of the west still being in possession of the Indians and the white settlements being hundreds of miles apart. In June, 1819, accompanied by a man named Jacobs, who had lived for some time within the present boundaries of Adams county, they visited the bluffs where Quincy is now located. Old poles, remnants of wigwams or teepees, were still numerous, but the visitors were satisfied at that early day that this would be the site of an important city. Sometime after leaving this locality, near Atlas, the Berrians met John Wood and ever after these early pioneers were warm personal friends. Judge Berrian still has in his possession letters written by his father from Edwardsville in 1819.

Judge Berrian was born in New York City October 2, 1830. With his father's family he left New York on the last day of April, 1844, to come west. They went by boat to Perth Amboy, N. Y., then by cars to Harrisburg, via Philadel-

phia, where they took a passenger boat on the canal to Hollidaysburg. The mountains were crossed by train on five inclined planes, the cars being hauled up and lowered by wire cables operated by powerful engines. From Johnstown, on this side of the mountains, the journey was made by canal to Pittsburg, thence by steamboat to St. Louis and Quincy, where the party arrived on the morning of May 20. A long, roundabout and tiresome journey fifty years ago, now made in comfort in a single day. In the development of Quincy Judge Berrian has been a prominent and important factor. He was one of the first alderman to represent the Fourth Ward, elected in 1857 and re-elected in 1859. In 1869 he was elected Mayor and under his administration the city resumed cash payments. Previous to that time the resources of the city had become so reduced that all payments had been made in vouchers which were at a discount of 40 per cent, but he determined to restore the credit of the city and by reason of his careful and successful financial management cash payments were resumed. In 1876 he was elected county judge and held that important office for seventeen years. During his long term of service on the bench the affairs of the court were administered with even handed and impartial justice and Judge Berrian is universally regarded as one of the most honored officials of the city and county.



ALBERT AKERS.

Mr. Albert Akers, the subject of this sketch, is a sturdy type of the self-made man, and all he has was obtained by hard work and self-denial. He is a prominent member of the Quincy bar, but to gain that position he had to overcome obstacles which would have overwhelmed a less determined nature. He was born on a farm in Columbus township, Adams county, Illinois, September 26, 1849, and remained there until he reached his majority. He was the eighth child of a large family, and as his parents were very poor and school facilities in that neighborhood meagre, his early opportunities for securing an education were limited. Up to the age of twelve he attended the district school about three months in the year, working on the farm the rest of the time. When the civil war broke out and President Lincoln called for troops. Mr. Akers' four older brothers responded to the call of patriotic duty and enlisted in the Union army. His father had died before that time, and when his older broth-

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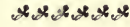


ers marched away to battle for the country's salvation young Akers was compelled to abandon school altogether, take charge of the farm and assist in supporting his widowed mother and some younger children. That was a heavy burden for a lad of twelve, but he faced it manfully, and while he smiles over it now the hardships which he endured at that time were such as not to be envied by any boy. He continued as a farm laborer until he was twenty-two years old, when he entered school at Camp Point. He studied there for seven months, when he was granted a license to teach, and by teaching in winter and attending normal schools in summer he acquired a fair education.

He was married in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1876 to Ida May Silver. Four children were born to them, three of whom are living. In 1878 he entered the office of Carter & Govert, where he studied law for a year, and then went to Shelbyville, Ind., where he completed his law studies and was admitted to the bar, entering upon the practice of his chosen profession in 1880. He practiced law in Shelbyville for eight years, and during the latter part of his residence there was editor and part owner of the Shelbyville Times. He also served in the Shelbyville council as an alderman.

He returned to Quincy in 1888, and has built up a lucrative practice here, being now a member of the firm of Akers & Swope. He was elected state's attorney in 1892, in which posi-

tion he served until 1896. Among the important cases which he prosecuted were those of the Kingston white cappers and George Coward, who was sent to the penitentiary for life for murder. He was elected an alderman from the Sixth ward in 1897, and was one of the influential members of the city council.



JOHN T. INGRAM.

Of the younger members of the Quincy bar none hold a more prominent position than Mr. John T. Inghram. He has applied himself strictly to his profession and has established a practice which is highly creditable to his energy and ability. A close student of the law and of a judicial turn of mind, his uniform success demonstrates the fact that he is a wise counselor as well as an attorney of more than ordinary ability. Mr. Inghram was born in this city July 11, 1870. After graduating from the Quincy High School he took the law course at the Michigan University at Ann Arbor. In 1891 he commenced the practice of his profession here under the present firm name of Inghram & Crewdson. He was married in 1898 to Miss Lillian C. Brown, one of Quincy's most brilliant musical artists. Mr. Inghram is prominent in Masonic circles, being eminent commander of Beauseaut Commandery, Knights Templar, and past high priest of Quincy Chapter, Royal Arch Masons.



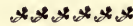
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HON. HOPE S. DAVIS.

The Hon. Hope S. Davis is the oldest member of the Quincy bar in term of service, having commenced active practice here nearly fifty years ago. His ancestors were prominent in the affairs of Massachusetts and New York and participated in the revolutionary war and the war of 1812. Mr. Davis was born on a farm near Rochester, N. Y., and attended the Brockport and Lima seminaries, receiving a broad and comprehensive education. When sixteen years of age he commenced teaching during the winter in a district school and continued this occupation for five winters. Deciding to enter the legal profession, on March 25, 1850, he went into the law office of Bowne & Benedict, prominent attorneys of Rochester, also attending the Bolton Law School two full terms and two years later was admitted to practice in New York, passing a highly creditable examination before Judges Strong, Harris and Gardner. November 11, 1852, he opened an office in this city. In those days Abraham Lincoln, Stephen A. Douglas and other eminent attorneys of the earlier days were practicing before the Quincy courts. In 1856 Mr. Davis was appointed superintendent of the Quincy schools, which important office he held for six years. During his term of service he secured the passage of a special act of the legislature creating the board of education and establishing the first high school under a graded system. In 1858 he formed a law partnership with Judge Philo A. Goodwin, which continued until Judge Goodwin's death, seventeen years later. In 1862 Mr. Davis was elected county superintendent of schools and in 1863

was elected a member of the city council. In 1876 he was chosen a member of the state legislature and was the author of the voluntary assignment law and other important legislation. Few men in the community have performed greater service for the general public than has Mr. Davis. He is still engaged in law practice, an honored member of the Quincy bar. Mr. Davis was married January 16, 1855, to Miss Persis C. Root, daughter of Edwin C. Root, of Monroe county, New York. His wife died July 15, 1886, leaving five daughters and three sons, Lottie B., Celia E., Persis C., Mary B., Irena G., Hope S., Jr., Philo G. and Waite H. On May 21, 1895, Mr. Davis was married to Miss Melissa J. Ward, of this city.



CHARLES M. HOLT.

Mr. Charles M. Holt, the well-known collection attorney, was born at Williamstown, Mo., in 1860. His father, the venerable Rev. J. M. Holt, preached in northeast Missouri for forty-five years and is one of the most widely known Baptist clergymen in the state. Of late years he has given up active work and is now a resident of this city. The son, desiring a professional life, attended La Grange College and afterwards graduated from the law department of the Missouri State University and was admitted to practice, opening an office at Edina. In 1889 he came to Quincy and established his present collection agency, which has proven eminently successful.



COUNTY OFFICERS.

JOSEPH L. SHERIDAN.

CIRCUIT CLERK.

With some men success has come from adversity, and this is certainly the experience of Mr. Joseph L. Sheridan, clerk of the circuit court. Though still a young man his experience would fill a book. He was born on a farm in Pembroke township, Kankakee county, Illinois, September 27, 1862, in one of the original log cabins, his father, Daniel Sheridan, being one of the early settlers of the state. The youngest of ten chil-

at the molders' trade in Detroit, he was thrown out of work, but obtained a position in the fire department at Grand Haven, Mich., as driver of a hose cart, which he held for two years. Deciding to complete his trade as a stove molder, he obtained a place in the Chicago Stove Works, where he served the balance of his time, joined the union and before he was twenty-one years of age was making five dollars per day. In the



dren, his mother moved to Detroit when he was a baby. There he attended the public schools until he was eleven years of age, having passed the examinations for the senior class. Being obliged to assist in the support of the family, he worked in a grocery store for two years, receiving six dollars per month. He was willing to do whatever was presented and when thirteen, better wages being offered, accepted a position as assistant cook on a lake vessel. At the end of the navigation season he returned to Detroit and during the winter was cook for a camp of twenty men in the pineries back of Bay City. The next spring found him back on the old homestead, in Kankakee township, where he put in a crop and the following fall he picked cotton in Arkansas. After working two years

fall of 1883 he came to Quincy, a change which ended his adversity and which has proven of the highest advantage. Here he found steady employment and soon made his influence felt. A natural leader, quiet, courteous and sincere, he has held every office in the local iron molders' union but that of financial secretary. In the spring of 1896 he was elected alderman on the republican ticket from the Fourth Ward. At the third meeting of the city council following his inauguration he was elected city clerk pro tem. to succeed George Smith. The council was democratic, but there were no votes against him. In the fall of 1896 he was elected circuit clerk by a majority of over 700. He has filled every position which he has held with credit to himself and in his present responsible office is making an enviable record.

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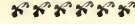


JOHN W. ROTH.

SHERIFF.

John W. Roth, sheriff of Adams county, was born in Camp Point, September 23, 1858. He is a son of the late John A. Roth, one of the early settlers of Quincy, his father locating here in the early '30's. Mr. Roth, Sr., was a cabinet maker and for some time was interested in the furniture business, the firm being Shell & Roth. He was one of the first to cross the plains during the first gold excitement in 1849. After remaining in California three years he returned to Quincy, but a little later made a second trip to the far west. On his return here the Northern Cross Railroad was projected and in 1856 he went to Camp Point, where he bought property and established himself in business. His wife was a highly cultured lady, being thoroughly familiar with the French, German and English languages. After acquiring a good common school education, Mr. John W. Roth worked for a time in his father's store, but concluded to try railroading and for a time was employed in the Wabash and Union Pacific train service. In 1884 he bought out a general store at Kingston, which he conducted successfully for six years. He was appointed deputy sheriff while engaged in business there and held that position continuously until he was elected sheriff in 1898. His training gives him special qualifications for this office, and added to his thorough familiarity

with its duties, he possesses the highest degree of courage and determination. Under his administration the sheriff's office is in most excellent hands.



JAMES MCKINNAY.

COUNTY TREASURER

The present treasurer of Adams county was born in Lima township, June 1, 1867. He attended the Camp Point High School, Chaddock College and the Gem City Business College. His schooling was supplemented by teaching, three terms in this county, two in Hancock county and writing school two terms. In this way he earned money to complete his own excellent and comprehensive education. He was stenographer for Lummis, Earhart & Co. for a time and then represented the Evening Herald on the road for two years, after which he was bookkeeper for D. N. Wisherd. In 1895 he was appointed deputy county treasurer, to be elected county treasurer at the last election. That so young a man should become so prominent is unusual, but Mr. McKinnay combines the elements of popularity. He is genial and affable, has a wide acquaintance throughout the county and was enabled to secure the nomination for one of the most lucrative and responsible offices in the county. He has reason to feel proud of his splendid success.



REPRESENTATIVE MEN AND HOMES.

PROF. ALBERT R. SMITH,

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Like very many of the best and most successful teachers, Prof. Albert R. Smith, county superintendent of schools, was raised on a farm. He was born in Ohio, June 22, 1855, in his earlier years attending the district school in winter and filling a man's place about the farm. The outdoor life gave him his fine physique and robust health, his independent ideas of reasoning and his close observation. As a boy he was a student and his mind was seldom idle. When the opportunity was presented he took a course at a normal and at Duff's College. By reason of active and successful school work he received a five-years professional certificate for teaching. Prof. Smith came to Adams county in 1891 and took charge of the La Prairie school. Under his teaching this school stood higher in grade for three years than any other school in the county. He was teaching at Golden in 1896 when elected to his present responsible position. Superintendent Smith has thoroughly modern ideas regarding educational work and has the faculty of imparting his enthusiasm to his teachers. He is a man of few words, quiet and reserved and is doing excellent service for the schools of Adams county.



JACKSON R. PEARCE,

COUNTY CLERK.

Mr. Jackson R. Pearce, the present county clerk of Adams county, was born in Houston township, October 28, 1862. His father, Augustus F. Pearce, one of the most substantial farmers of the county, came here from Kentucky in 1851 and his mother, nee Mary E. Woods, is a native of Illinois. The son worked on the home farm until he was eighteen, receiving an excellent common school education. He then taught school two years and in 1882 engaged in the general merchandise, grain and implement business at Chatten. On October 23, 1890, he accepted a position in the county clerk's office, being appointed deputy the following December. This position he held until he was elected county clerk last fall. Mr. Pearce received his training under Mr. Willis Haselwood and is a worthy successor of that substantial and popular official. He is thoroughly familiar with every detail of this important and responsible office and his uniform courtesy and sterling qualities have gained for him the confidence of the people of the county generally. Mr. Pearce was married September 15, 1884, to Miss Elizabeth McGinnis and they have two daughters and one son.



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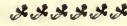


CAPTAIN WILLIAM K. HASELWOOD.

CORONER.

Captain William K. Haselwood, coroner of Adams county, was born at Williamstown, Ky., February 10, 1840. He comes of old English stock, his ancestors settling at Petersburg, Va., at an early date. There his grandfather was born, but went to Kentucky with his parents in boyhood. The captain worked at farming and stock raising as a boy and in 1857 came to Quincy and secured employment as a farm laborer. When the war broke out he enlisted in the Fiftieth Illinois Infantry, the famous "Blind Half Hundred," and was elected second lieutenant of Company D. He was afterwards promoted to first lieutenant and captain. His command was in many of the notable battles of the war—Fort Henry, Donaldson, Shiloh, Corinth and with Sherman to the sea. At the close of the war he returned to Quincy and engaged in farming in Fall Creek and Payson townships until 1873, when he went on the road as general collecting agent for the Howe Sewing Machine Company. Three years later he returned to farming in northeast Missouri and in Kansas and was engaged in railroading in Mexico for a short time. In 1882 he was in the contracting business in Dakota and was there elected justice of the peace. Once more returning to Quincy he was on the police force for three years and a half and health officer for four

years and a half. In 1896 he was elected coroner on the republican ticket by a handsome majority. Captain Haselwood was married August 19, 1860, to Miss Martha A. Seehorn, daughter of the Hon. Eli Seehorn, and they have one daughter and one son, Mrs. Anna M. Lawrence, of this city, and Thomas W. Haselwood, a prosperous farmer of Melrose.



ROLLA E. MCNEALL.

RECORDER.

Mr. Rolla E. McNeill, county recorder, was born in Columbus, Adams county, September 9, 1861. He is a son of the late Dr. Nathan McNeill, one of the early residents of the county. After receiving a thorough common school education he attended Chaddock College and then taught school for seven years. In 1889 he was appointed postmaster at Columbus by President Harrison and then engaged in the mercantile business. For four years he was a member of the board of supervisors from Columbus township, resigning from the board to accept the office of county recorder, to which he was elected in 1896 on the republican ticket by a handsome majority. He had become one of the prominent merchants of the eastern part of the county, closing out his business to reside in this city when he was elected to his present important office. That Mr. McNeill is universally popular is evidenced by his uniform success in politics. Nominations have come to him and in every instance election has followed.



OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF QUINCY.

JOHN A. STEINBACH.

MAYOR OF QUINCY.

Mr. John A. Steinbach, the present mayor of Quincy, was born in Bethel, Mo., January 28, 1847. He comes of German ancestry, his grandfather, Adam Steinbach, having been a soldier under Napoleon; he was one of three out of his company of 300 who returned from the terrible expedition to Moscow. His father, John A., was one of the early residents of Quincy and died here in 1854. Mayor Steinbach came to this city with his parents in 1848. He was given a fair common school education and at thirteen years of age commenced learning the bricklayers' trade. When the war broke out he was one of the first to offer his services, but on account of his age, fourteen years, he was rejected by the recruiting officers. In 1865, however, he enlisted in Company D, 148th Illinois Volunteer Infantry and was soon elected first lieutenant of the company. On his return from the war he resumed work at his trade and in 1871 engaged in the brick contracting business with his stepfather. From boyhood he had always taken an active interest in the fire department, holding various positions, and in 1875 he was appointed chief engineer, holding this important office until 1885, when he declined reappointment. Under his management the department was brought up to the highest state of efficiency. New steam engines were purchased, the swinging harness introduced and improved devices for saving time and for fighting fire adopted. Quincy has never had a better or more efficient fire chief. In 1885 he resumed the brick contracting business with his brother, Phillip, and the firm of Steinbach Brothers, still in active business, stands at the head of their line of contract work in this entire section. They have done the brick work on nearly every important public building, business block and fine residence erected here in recent years and have also built many notable buildings in neighboring cities in this state, Iowa and Missouri. In 1895 Mr. Steinbach was elected mayor and has twice been re-elected to that important office. Since he has been chief executive the bonded indebtedness of the city has been reduced nearly \$250,000 and the credit of the city has been advanced until refunding bonds have been

floated at 4 per cent interest. Over twelve miles of brick and novaculite paving have been put down and the sewerage system has been largely extended. Many questions of far-reaching importance have been presented and settled, including the reorganization of the city government under the general law, the questions affecting the rebuilding of the C., B. & Q. Railway terminals here, the introduction of steam



heating and the extension of the water works and street railway systems. A new fire department district has been organized in the northern part of the city and a spacious and thoroughly modern engine house built. A new engine house has also been recently completed in the southern part of the city. Personally, Mayor Steinbach is genial and affable, frank and open-handed. He is a man of positive opinions and is frank in expressing them. His opponents are never in doubt as to where he stands.

FRANK SONNET.

CITY TREASURER.

Mr. Frank Sonnet, who was elected to the responsible office of city treasurer and town collector last spring, has been a resident of Quincy for thirty years. Born in the beautiful Rhine Valley, Germany, January 24, 1848, he came to America and located in Quincy May 9, 1869, selecting for his home in his adopted country this attractive city in the Central Mississippi Valley. For a time the young man worked for Brown Brothers as shipping clerk and then learned the bakers' trade. In 1873 he formed a partnership with Joseph Thuer in the bakery business, the firm being continued for four years, when Mr. Sonnet engaged in the same line of business on Maine street. In 1886 he sold out and the restaurant firm of Sonnet & Cunane was formed, Mr. Sonnet disposing of his interest seven years later. In 1895 he was appointed special tax collector and filled the position so well that he was continued in that office for four years, being elected city treasurer and ex-officio town collector at the last election. Mr. Sonnet is a trustee of the Fireman's Benevolent Association and of St. Aloysius Orphan Society; vice president of St. Nicholas branch, W. C. U., and a director of Graceland Cemetery Association. He was married June 4, 1875, to Miss Christina Mast, of this city.



HORACE J. FARRAR.

CITY CLERK.

Mr. Horace J. Farrar, the present city clerk, was born at Portage, Wis., February 23, 1862, and is a son of the late Isaac N. Farrar. Coming to Quincy with his parents in 1870, at the age of ten, he commenced learning the tinners' trade with G. J. Cottrell and then worked at his trade for three years at Payson. For three years he was engaged in the hardware business at Williamstown, Mo., but sold his store and returned to this city. In 1884 he was appointed a letter carrier, holding this position until 1889, when he traveled for a time for Reidinger & Oertel. In 1890 he was appointed special tax collector, but resigned that office to accept the position of bookkeeper and cashier at the Quincy Paper Mills. In May, 1896, he was appointed city clerk to fill an unexpired term, was elected to the same office in 1897 and re-elected for two years this spring. A rapid and correct accountant, he is thoroughly qualified for the duties of his office. Mr. Farrar has taken an active and prominent part in democratic politics, having held the position of secretary of both the city and county central committees. He was married April 5, 1883, to Miss Alice Shallenberger, of Williamstown, Mo., and they have two daughters.



REPRESENTATIVE MEN AND HOMES.



ALFRED A. SEEHORN.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Mr. Alfred A. Seehorn, superintendent of the public schools of Quincy, was born on a farm in Fall Creek township, October 1, 1860. His father, Mr. Alfred Seehorn, came to this county from Tennessee in 1832. One of the early pioneers, he was actively identified with the development of the county and has lived to enjoy the advantages of an honest, industrious life. As member of the board of supervisors and chairman of that body and in other positions of responsibility, he has made himself widely known and universally honored and respected. Superintendent Seehorn was brought up on the farm, attending the district school. Developing an aptitude for a broader education, he attended the Payson High School and Chaddock College. He then gave his attention to teaching, serving one year in Hancock county, nine years in Fall Creek and two years at Plainville. In 1894 he was elected county superintendent of schools. His experience in the active work of teaching was of the highest advantage to him in this position and enabled him to inaugurate changes and reforms of first importance. He resigned his office in the fall of 1897 to accept the position of superintendent of the public schools of Quincy, which he still holds.

HENRY STEINKAMP.

ASSESSOR.

Mr. Henry Steinkamp was born at Colsfeld, Westphalia, in 1837, and came to this country when he was twenty-one years of age, locating in Quincy. After working at his trade of harness maker for a time he engaged in the harness making business on State street in 1862 and has continued his store and factory for nearly forty years, his being one of the oldest business houses in the city. In 1870 he was appointed assistant chief engineer of the fire department, serving for two years; in 1872 he was elected city marshal; in 1875, city collector, and in 1878 town collector. In 1880 Mr. Steinkamp was elected to the important and responsible position of assessor, which position he still holds, his term of office covering nearly twenty years. His thorough knowledge of property values, his unflinching judgment and his unquestioned honesty have made him a most competent official and so highly is his work regarded by his fellow citizens that he has many times been re-elected without opposition. Mr. Steinkamp is public-spirited and progressive and has been identified with a number of important public enterprises. He has a very wide acquaintance throughout this section of the state, as well as in Quincy, and is universally popular with the people.



REPRESENTATIVE MEN AND HOMES.



CAPTAIN JOHN AHERN.

CHIEF OF POLICE.

John Ahern, the efficient chief of police of Quincy, was born in this city, and has won distinction in two different branches of life. He first worked for Battell & Collins, in what is now the Collins Plow Works, and was with them for seven years. He was always an athlete, and when a young man started out with the W. W. Cole circus as an acrobat. That same season the acrobatic team which became famous all over the country as the Ahern brothers, was organized. It was composed of John Ahern, Os Finkel and Billy Van Steenberg, and they were the wonder of all who witnessed their daring and difficult feats. Captain Ahern was the star of the trio, and originated much of the difficult work on the bars. They traveled three seasons with George Mankin's circus, doing ground and lofty tumbling and work on the horizontal bars. While doing a double somersault from the bars in a performance at Stockbridge, Mich., Finkel was killed, and that tragedy broke up the team. He then traveled with Billy Miltimore in John B. Doris' circus, doing a wonderful act in the flying trapeze from a pedestal, and also feats on the horizontal bars with Harry Vokes, Eddy Rice and Billy O'Brien. Captain Ahern tired of circus life after several years on the road, and returning to Quincy accepted a position in the wholesale grocery house of Tripp & Tapp. He was then employed by the gas company for one year, and in 1888 entered upon his successful service in the police department as a night

patrolman. He served in that position but a short time, when he was made a day patrolman. Then he became a detective, and October 24, 1890, was appointed chief of the department, a responsible position which he has filled with rare ability. He was married Feb. 1, 1881, to Miss Eva C. Stephens, of this city, and they have four children, three boys and one girl.



WILLIAM A. McCONNELL.

SUPERINTENDENT HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

The work of Mr. William A. McConnell as superintendent of the Quincy House of Correction, certainly entitles him to prominent rank among the managers of penal and reformatory institutions. He has had to deal with thousands of criminals and law-breakers, many of them desperate men, but he has maintained perfect discipline at all times and has enforced the regulations of the institution to the letter. His methods are along the most advanced lines of reformatory work and he is fully competent to manage any of the larger prisons or reformatory institutions. While the majority of his prisoners are at work during the day and are at all times given the greatest degree of liberty consistent with safety, it is proverbial of him that none of them ever escape. Mr. McConnell was born in New Jersey and came to Quincy with his parents in 1861. He was engaged in contracting for some time and on April 5, 1883, was appointed to his present position by Mayor Deaderick, holding the office continuously ever since.



REPRESENTATIVE MEN AND HOMES.



GEORGE J. SCHLAG.

CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. George J. Schlag, chief engineer of the fire department, was born in this city March 8, 1858. He is a son of the late Mr. John Schlag, who came here in 1835, one of the pioneer residents of Quincy. His father died when he was a boy and after receiving a fair common school education, George was obliged to make his own way in the world. When quite young he went to work in the tobacco factory of Goodman & Turner, on Fifth and Jersey streets, and continued with them after the organization of the Gem City Tobacco Works. He was then for four years in the grocery store of Ording & Glass, on Twelfth and Maine streets. His first work in the fire department was as minuteman at the No. 1 engine house, in December, 1885. The following spring he was appointed roundsman. After five years' work in the department he was appointed chief engineer, May 6, 1891, a position which he has held ever since, with the exception of one year, when he was displaced for political reasons. Chief Schlag is a typical fireman. His splendid physique and great strength enable him to endure any amount of hard work and exposure. A remarkable degree of personal courage is intelligently directed, inspiring his men to greatest efforts. Since he has been chief two large new engine houses have been built, all of the old engine houses have been rebuilt and thoroughly modernized and the entire department has been maintained to the highest degree of efficiency.

ALDERMAN THOMAS J. MANNING.

Alderman Thomas J. Manning, member of the board of local improvements and superintendent of sewers, is a native of Maine, borne at Lewistown, March 1, 1856. He had the advantages of a fair common school education, but was early thrown on his own resources and found work in the cotton mills. While still a young man he learned the trade of silver plating and in 1872 decided to come west, working at his trade three years in Milwaukee and then going to St. Paul. In 1877 he located in Quincy and soon after established his present silver plating works. He is one of the first members of the board of local improvements and his work in this important organization has been highly creditable. Last spring he was elected alderman of the Second ward by a substantial majority. Mr. Manning served as trustee of the Supreme Council of the Western Catholic Union two terms and now holds the responsible office of supreme president, to which he was first elected at Springfield in October, 1895. He has held this office for four terms and so well has he discharged the duties of chief executive that he was re-elected at the convention at Joliet last year by acclamation. During his presidency the membership of the union has been increased largely and the affairs of the organization are in a most prosperous condition.





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