

and his death created a vacancy in the bar of this county which was hard to fill. He was a Mason, and from early manhood was prominently identified with its affairs. He was one of the most companionable of men, a good husband and father. May 5, 1857, he married Mary E. Owen of Waterburg, town of Ulysses, and they had two children, Cora O., and A. Belmont. Early in life he took much interest in the State militia and rose through the successive grades to the rank of colonel of the Fiftieth Regiment of the National Guard. During the war he was a Union man, a war Democrat, and was identified with such men as General Dix, Daniel S. Dickenson of New York, and others. He died February 25, 1892, and his wife survives him, residing at his late home on Elm street with his daughter.

Sarsfield, Thomas, was born in Ireland in 1837, and came to the United States in 1848, locating in Trumansburgh. He is a moulder by trade. In 1859 he married Catharine Flynn of Ulysses, by whom he had eight children: Maurice, Julia, Thomas, jr., John, Mary, William, Michael and Catharine. Maurice is a cigar manufacturer, and married Margaret Ward, of Lodi, Seneca county. They had two sons, Maurice L. and Charles L. His wife died January 13, 1892. Julia married John Russell and lives in the West. Mary married George Gregg of Trumansburgh. Thomas Sarsfield was a gallant soldier of the late war, having enlisted August 22, 1861, in Co. A, 89th N. Y. Vols. He participated in eighteen general engagements, beginning at Hatteras, N. C., and ending before Petersburg, Va., where he was wounded in the lower part of his neck, the ball passing through his body. He was honorably discharged for disability on account of the above wound, in November, 1864. Mr. Sarsfield is a member of Treman Post No. 572, of Trumansburgh, G. A. R., and has held the office of officer of the day for several years.

Streeter, Nelson R., was born in the town of Pitcher, Chenango county, October 7, 1838, a son of William and Elizabeth Streeter, and the youngest but one of their thirteen children. Nelson was apprenticed to a shoemaker, and in due time becoming a journeyman, but he worked most of his life either as a foreman or proprietor. His old size stick, hammer and pincers are treasured remembrances of his early life and hang, gilded and elegantly framed, in the parlor of their owner. When a child, Mr. Streeter's family and parents removed from Pitcher to Onondaga county and there the greater part of his early life was passed. At the age of eight years, his parents being both deceased, he was practically thrown upon his own resources, and his success in life has been due entirely to his own efforts. In 1869 he came to this town, and was thereafter connected with various partners and firms in the shoe business. While so engaged he invented an attachment to a last, a valuable appliance, but one which lost him his accumulations to develop. In 1876 he engaged in the manufacture of novelties under the firm name of N. R. Streeter & Co., and though comparatively unknown outside this village, the firm is one of the largest business houses in the county. The firm deals in useful and valuable novelties of all kinds, many of them being the invention of Mr. Streeter himself; in fact he owns and controls no less than forty different patents. In the prosecutions of his vast interests Mr. Streeter has traveled extensively and has cultivated a wide acquaintance with traveling and business men, being particularly interested in the commercial traveler or "drummer," and possessing literary

tastes, he has compiled a book of choice poems many of which are in circulation under the head of "Gems from an Old Drummer's Grip." In village affairs our subject also takes a deep interest, being a temperance man and a Republican. He has served on the Board of Trustees and also on the Board of Education. In 1860 he married Adelia Randolph of Chenango county, and they have four children.

Shurter, Willis, was born in Ulster county, May 17, 1841, a son of Josiah, also born in Ulster county. At the age of twenty the latter was apprenticed to a wheelwright for three years, and then built a shop in Sampsonville, Ulster county, where he conducted a business for eight years. In 1848 he moved to Tompkins county, where he followed his trade until within a few years of his death. He also built several large mills, being a millwright also. In connection with his other enterprises he worked at farming for about fifteen years, and for some years prior to his death was a wagon maker. His death occurred August 5, 1877. His children were: Julia, Willis, Ellen, Harrison, Harriet, Filmore, and Mary Louisa; Julia, Filmore and Mary being deceased. Willis remained at home till July, 1862, when he enlisted in Company A, 109th N. Y. Volunteers. While in service he contracted a cold, which with its attendant evils has followed him ever since, and which entitled him to the pension he receives. After returning home he married Jennie, daughter of James Girman of Dryden, after which he started at milling, working for four years, then built a plaster mill, which he is still operating. He is now living with his second wife, Betsey Merald, by whom he has two children, Jennie and Jessie, who are just entering the High School. He is a member of the G. A. R. and is a Republican.

Scott, Jabez B., deceased, was born in Ithaca, January 27, 1837, was educated in Ithaca, and married Phoebe J., daughter of Orry Ostrander of Danby, by whom he had three children, a son and two daughters. Mr. Scott was at one time proprietor of the Farmer's Hotel, and afterward kept a wholesale and retail meat market in Ithaca. He was a Democrat and took an active interest in educational matters and the general events of the day. He was a well known citizen and a man of high standing in the town, well educated, and a good friend and neighbor. He purchased the Widow Townsend farm of eighty-five acres, lying two miles south of where his son now resides. Mr. Scott died June 4, 1875.

Shoemaker, Jacob, one of Lansing's prominent men, was born on the farm he now owns, November 19, 1837, a son of Jacob, also a native of Lansing, born on the same farm, who married Christina, daughter of William Ozmun of Lansing, by whom he reared five children: Anna, deceased wife of Anson Wyckoff, of Moravia; Almira, widow of Oliver Breckinridge, of Slippery Rock, Pa.; Sallie, deceased wife of Dennis Kelley, of Lansing; Jacob; Emma, wife of Randall Smith, of Cato. He died in December, 1890, at the age of ninety years and eight months. His wife died in 1874. Our subject was reared on this farm and attended the common schools. At the age of about thirty-four his father gave him the farm of 100 acres on lot eighty-three, where he has since remained. In 1860 he married Louisa, daughter of John and Electa (Searles) Bloom, of Lansing, and they have had two children: one who died in infancy, and Elmer Ellsworth, born January 27, 1862. His wife died March 11, 1877, and he

married second, Alice, daughter of Ambrose Parsons, of Ithaca, and they have one son, Frank, born April 27, 1879. Mr. Shoemaker was at one time a sergeant in the State militia, serving fourteen years, and received an honorable discharge in 1874.

Smith, James, was born in the town of Franklin, Warren county, May 14, 1832, a son of John, who was a farmer. Our subject was educated in the common schools, after leaving which he served a three years' apprenticeship at carpentry. After serving three years as a journeyman carpenter, he entered the employ of the D. L. & W. R. R. in 1852, and for eighteen years was employed with this company, building bridges and tracks. In 1872 he removed to Ithaca to build the road between Ithaca and Geneva, and after its construction acted as its superintendent until its consolidation with the Lehigh Valley Road. He was then employed as roadmaster on the U. I. & E. R. R. between Elmira and Canastota, holding the position four years. He was then roadmaster and assistant superintendent on the Lehigh Valley Division running into Auburn, then known as the Midland, running ten years as conductor and superintendent. He spent three years in the West at the same business, building 150 miles of track in Montana, and was then in Chicago for a year, employed on the Chicago and Northwestern Road. He next came to Elmira for three years, and in 1892, returned to Ithaca. March 23, 1893 he was appointed superintendent of streets for Ithaca. He has been instrumental in constructing one of the best systems of gutters in any city, and is an authority on the sewage question. In 1854 he married Caroline J. Carr, of Wyoming county, Pa., and they have had three children: A. C. Smith, conductor on the D. L. & W. R. R.; Effie, who died June 13, 1892, aged thirty-one years; the other son is a graduate of the medical department of the University of Michigan.

Smith, Charles A., was born in the town of Ithaca, October 9, 1845, a son of Gabriel Smith, who was also a native of this county, born in Dryden February 4, 1818. In early life he followed farming, and later was a drayman of this place. Of his five sons, our subject was the third. Charles was educated in the public schools of this town, and at the age of sixteen went in with his father in the dray business, which he has always followed. He was fourteen years with the latter, and for eight years was a partner with his brother, John Smith, for the past ten years having been alone. He has followed draying for thirty-two years, and has fifteen horses and six men. He is a Democrat and in 1874 was collector for the village of Ithaca. He is a member of Hobasco Lodge F. & A. M., Eagle Chapter, Ithaca Council, St. Augustine Commandery, a member of the K. of P. and I. O. R. M. In 1870 he married Sarah E. Norton, daughter of James Norton, a grocer of this city, and they have two children, Ada and Lizzie.

Stephens, Thomas J., was born in Cheltham, England, October 16, 1845, and came across the water when ten years of age. His father, Thomas, located in Quebec for two years, and it was there that our subject's mother died, and October 16, 1857, they removed to Ithaca, where Mr. Stephens established a marble yard on South Tioga street, where Ingersoll's livery now is. Mr. Stephens was first in partnership with his brother John, but in 1859 they dissolved, and Thomas bought the corner where the Bates Block now stands, at the corner of Seneca and Aurora streets, where he con-

tinued in business until his death on November 22, 1869. Mr. Stephens was always a staunch supporter of the Republican party, but never aspired to office. A daughter, Mrs. W. N. Sandborn, is a resident of Ithaca. Thomas J. was educated in the old Lancasterian School, and before he had completed his education the war broke out, and December 20, 1863, he enlisted in the 21st N. Y. Cavalry and was with the Army of the Shenandoah in all of their important engagements. During the latter part of his service he was acting chief bugler of his regiment. On his return to Ithaca he was employed with his father until the death of the latter, when he took charge of the shop, which in 1872 he removed to another location, and in 1874 he again moved to his present location on Tioga street, buying two lots. He has acquired a reputation as a granite worker, which has given him a very extensive trade all over the State. He was the contractor for the soldier's monument in Ithaca among others. He is now serving his sixth year as adjutant of Sidney Post G. A. R. He is a member of the R. A., and is secretary and treasurer of the local branch of the Atlantic Savings and Loan Association of Syracuse. In 1869 he married Sarah, daughter of the late James McBride, a grocer of this city, and they have one daughter, Florence Marion, a student at the High School.

Storms, John B., was born in the town of Mentz, Cayuga county, April, 1839, one of five children of George M. Storms, a blacksmith of that county, who came from New York city in 1838. He died November 3, 1854, aged forty-one years. The boyhood of our subject was spent in his native town, and at the time of his father's death he was fourteen years of age, and apprenticed himself to a marble cutter. He was employed in Auburn two years, and April 25, 1859, he came to Ithaca, where he was employed by Beers & Goodrich, whose shop stood where the Cornell Library now stands. For twenty-seven years he was with the above firm, and in 1886 he bought out the former proprietors who had their shops at 21 East Green street. Mr. Storms has worked up an extensive trade in this county, and is prepared to furnish everything needed in the line of fine marble-cutting and monument work. He is a Democrat and a member of Fidelity Lodge F. & A. M., and also of No. 5 Hose Company of the Fire Department. In 1892 he married Kate E. Dilts of Ithaca, and they have one daughter.

Sheffer, Reuben W., was born in the town of Livingston, Columbia county, March 19, 1865, a son of Charles E., who moved into this county in 1871. The latter was master mechanic on the D. L. & W. R. R. from the time of his arrival here till 1888, when he engaged in the mercantile business, and is now conducting a grocery at the corner of Mill and Plain streets. Of his four children, Reuben W. is the only son. He was educated in the Ithaca High School and the Poughkeepsie Business College, and filled the position of book-keeper at the First National Bank for two years. December 1, 1886, he was engaged as book-keeper for the Ithaca Beef Company, which position he filled till November 19, 1891, when he was appointed manager of their business in this city, and April 19, 1893, he was given the management of the Geneva house in connection with the business at Ithaca. Mr. Sheffer is a director of the Geneva Ice Company also. He is a Republican, and was for three years a mail clerk on the Ithaca & Owego Railroad. In 1889 he married Josephine Little, of Candor.

Stephens, Henry W., was born in Gloucestershire, England, March 24, 1838, and was eleven years of age when his parents came to this country. William, the father, was a mason by trade, and located in Auburn for a short time, then moved to Ithaca, where he followed his trade till his death in 1879, aged seventy-two years; his wife died in 1890, aged ninety-three years. Of their six children, Henry W. was next to the youngest. He was educated in the old Lancasterian School and his first occupation was with his father. After a short time he went to learn the printer's trade, which he followed till the breaking out of the war. September 25 1862, he enlisted in the 137th New York Volunteers, and saw service with this regiment till the battle of Gettysburg, where he was seriously wounded, from the effects of which he lay in hospital until May of the next year, when he was discharged and returned to Ithaca. In 1865 he entered the employ of the D. L. & W. R. R., and for twenty-one years he filled the position of telegraph dispatcher for this company. In 1885 he resigned this position, and the same year bought the general grocery store of T. S. Culver, at the corner of Aurora and Marshall streets, where he has ever since been in business. Mr. Stephens is a member of Hobasco Lodge No. 716, F. & A. M. In February, 1858, he married Julia A. Carey, of Romulus, Seneca county, and they have four children: Henry E., a machinist of Elgin, Ill., Will H., an artist, Mrs. Julia E. Judd, and Clara B.

Sprague Joseph Brittin, deceased, was born in Schenectady, N. Y., September 19, 1826. He came to Tompkins county in 1871, and made his home in Ithaca. His boyhood was spent in Rochester, where he received his early education, afterward attending the Albany Academy. His father, Asa, was one of the pioneers of railroad construction, and was superintendent of one of the divisions of the N. Y. C. R. R. before its consolidation. Our subject was a Democrat and a worker in his party. After his removal to Ithaca he took an active interest in the popularity of the town, holding the office of village president one year. He was a member of the I. O. O. F. His death occurred November 30, 1878, and he left a widow only, who survives him. Mrs. Sprague is a daughter of Benjamin Johnson, one of the early settlers of the town of Ithaca, to which he came about 1816, from New Hampshire. He studied law in Troy. His three sons are still residents of this town, Jesse, Charles, and William. Benjamin Johnson died March 19, 1848. His wife was Jane Dey, a native of New Jersey.

Slocum, Benjamin Franklin, was born in the town of Venice, April 12, 1842, a son of Godfrey W. Slocum, a farmer of Cayuga county. B. F. Slocum was educated in the common school, and also a private school in New York city, following teaching several years, for four of which he was principal of Union Springs School. He was also principal of two different schools in Genoa. In 1881 he moved to Ithaca, where he formed the Washington Glass Company, and built a ten-pot factory, which has been steadily employed, with the exception of four years, manufacturing window glass, Mr. Slocum being superintendent and manager of the company. In 1889 this factory was merged with the United Glass Company, of which organization Mr. Slocum was vice-president one year. At the present time our subject, in partnership with Mr. Wilcox, is proprietor of the Ithaca Drop Forge Company, with works in this city, for the manufacture of a general line of drop forge articles. The company was formed in 1889, doing about \$20,000 worth of business yearly. Our subject is also a partner in

the clothing store of G. W. Slocum & Company, ready-made clothiers and dealers in furnishing goods, boots and shoes, etc. He is a Mason, a member of Hobasco Lodge, Aurora Chapter, and was the master of Genoa Lodge No. 421 at the time of the dedication of the Masonic Temple at New York. In 1863 Mr. Slocum married Kate Young, of Genoa, and they have two sons and two daughters.

Schoonmaker, Helen, was born in Ithaca and educated in the Ithaca Academy. At the age of eighteen she was married to W. D. Schoonmaker, who died in 1874, leaving the farm to his wife, who has carried it on successfully. Mrs. Schoonmaker takes an interest in social and church matters, as well as the educational questions, and is a member of the Aurora Street Church. Her father, Benjamin Pew, came to the town of Ithaca in 1801 from New Jersey, being then nine years of age. He located on a farm, and in after life, having acquired a competency, he retired from active work and moved into the village.

Smith, Horace I., was born in Dryden, April 5, 1829, the sixth of a family of eight children of Isaac S. Smith, also a native of this county, who died in 1836. The early education of our subject was obtained in his native town. In 1853 he left the farm and came to Ithaca, and has since been engaged in various employments. He was in the mercantile business for two years, and for four years was engaged in the manufacture of sewing silks. He has also dealt in real estate. May 1, 1888, he became connected with Cornell University, at first holding the position of superintendent of contractors in the erection of their buildings. He held that position during the greater part of the next four years, until May 1, 1892, when he was appointed superintendent of construction and grounds for the university, which position he now holds. In politics Mr. Smith is independent. In 1857 he married Mary E. Gay, of this town.

Simpson, George F., was born in Ithaca, October 19, 1841, a son of Edwin Simpson, a native of Steuben county, who came here when a youth and followed farming and stock dealing. Our subject was his only child. He was educated in the old Ithaca Academy, and after leaving school engaged in the hotel business, conducting the Alhambra about fifteen years. In 1891 he engaged in the real estate and brokerage business, and is now conducting an office in the same line. He is a member of Hobasco Lodge, Eagle Chapter, St. Augustine Commandery, No. 38, and the Mystic Shrine at Rochester. He married, in 1878, Mary Post, of Spencer, Tioga county, N. Y.

Sabin, John, was born in the town of Ithaca, August 7, 1854, a son of Abel, who was a native of Lewis county, and came to this section about fifty years ago, locating in the town of Ithaca. He moved to Danby about twenty-five years ago, where he now resides. He had seven children, six now living. John finished his education at the Ithaca Academy, and his first occupation was as a farmer. In 1890 he left the farm and came to the town of Ithaca, where he established a wagon mart at 43 Cayuga street, where he now carries a complete line of lumber wagons, sleighs, cutters, horse blankets, lap robes, hand-made and oak-tanned harnesses, wagon boxes, spring seats, road carts, democrat wagons, and everything of the line needed on the farm and city stables. Mr. Sabin has established a reputation for fair and correct dealing, which has made him a leader of this class of trade in the country. He is a Democrat, but not an aspirant for political honors. He married, in 1881, Cora Stewart, of Caroline.

Swartwood, G. M., was born in the town of Newfield, April 13, 1837. William, his father, was a native of Pennsylvania, born in 1807, was a farmer all his life, and also a blacksmith. He settled in this county in 1834, taking a farm in Newfield, about a mile north of where our subject now lives, his farm consisting of 233 acres, on which he built a log cabin at first. He married Priscilla Brown, of Pennsylvania, and they had seven children, six surviving. Of these children G. M. was the third, and began business as a mechanic and carpenter. This he followed several years, and has built several buildings in the town. He is also a farmer. February 13, 1868, he married Adelaide Ousmun, of Newfield, by whom he has four children, all living at home, though one son is in the Havana school. Mr. Swartwood is a prominent member of the G. A. R. of Newfield, Gregg Post, No. 123, having served in the late war six months, when he was compelled to leave on account of disease contracted in the service. He enlisted in July, 1862, and returned in January, 1863. He has held the office of senior vice-commander and quartermaster, and has been road commissioner for one term. He is a Republican.

Sherwood, William I., was born in Ulysses, July 8, 1849; was educated in the public schools and Trumansburgh Academy, and for fourteen years has been in partnership with the late G. H. Stewart in the undertaking business, and is now a farmer. February 25, 1874, he married Phoebe M. Tripp of Kingston, Pa., and they had two sons: Edwin S., who died young, and Merritt T., who died aged ten years. Mr. Sherwood's father, Augustine M., was born in the town of Covert, Seneca county, August 5, 1812, and came with his parents to this county when young. February 1, 1837, he married Charlotte S. King of this town, and they had eight children: Mary H., Maria K., Minerva E., Elias K., William I., Ida M., Annie A. and Minnie A. The father died August 7, 1885, and the mother resides on the homestead. Mrs. Sherwood's father, Isaac Tripp, was born in Scranton, Pa., September 7, 1817, and February 17, 1840, married Margaret Shoemaker of Wyoming, Pa. They had six children: Mary A., Penelope E., Phoebe M., Isaac E., Margaret E. and Emma C. Mr. Sherwood's family was well represented in the late war. He was elected postmaster of the town in 1886, and has held that position since with the exception of one year. He has been assistant engineer of the Fire Department, and for the past two years chief engineer. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., being its present secretary, also of the A. O. U. W., in which he is recorder.

Smiley, Sanford E., was born in the town of Dryden, March 6, 1852. His father, Robert Smiley, was among the early settlers in the town. Sanford E. Smiley was educated in the common schools, to which he has added through life by reading and observation. At the age of twenty he married Almeda L. Snyder, daughter of Joseph Snyder, and they are the parents of two children, Leroy and Fred K. He takes the Republican side in politics and now holds the office of highway commissioner, and takes an intelligent interest in educational and religious matters, and in advancing the best interests of his town. In 1872 he bought part of the Joseph Snyder estate, having seventy-seven acres of some of the best farm and wood land in his town, raising hay, grain and stock. He is recognized in his town as a conservative, independent and intelligent citizen, and a practical and successful farmer.

Shaver, Williard, was born February 26, 1844. His father, Ira C. Shaver, was born in Ithaca, August 2, 1817, and came to the town of Dryden in the spring of 1823 with his father, John C. Shaver and bought of Luther Gere a farm of 145 acres, which is in the possession of the family to the present day. Mrs. Ira C. Shaver was a daughter of W. H. Sutfin. In 1854 he bought the George White property, just northwest of Freeville, where the family now resides, and has eighty acres of some of the best farm land in the town. Williard Shaver, at the age of twenty-nine, married Fannie, daughter of Peter Saulpaugh of Buffalo, and they have three children, James G., Ira C. and Frank W. In 1891 he purchased of his father the old homestead property where he now resides. Our subject is a well read, intelligent citizen, taking an active interest in church and school matters, having been trustee of the school district for four years, his father having held the same office for fifteen consecutive years. The family have always taken a prominent part in advancing the best interest of the town, and are practical and successful farmers.

Stickle, Theodore, was born in the town of Dryden, November 9, 1864. His father, Anson Stickle, came from Dutchess county in 1837, and in 1860 he bought the Albert Twogood property of 288 acres. Mr. Stickle was educated in the Dryden Academy, after which he returned to his father's farm. He takes the Republican side in politics and an active interest in educational and religious matters. Anson Stickle married Susan Van Buskirk of Hamilton, Monroe county, Pa. Our subject is one of the largest farmers in his town, raising large quantities of hay, grain and stock, and making a specialty of sheep raising and dairying, and is recognized as a practical and successful farmer.

Scott, Adelbert C., was born in the town of Dryden, July 5, 1859, was educated in the common schools, and finished at Cortland Normal School. At the age of twenty-four he married Flora L., daughter of William R. Curtis of Cortland, and they have had one son, William A., born in 1881. Mr. Scott bought the homestead, which has been in the possession of the family for sixty years. It comprises 114 acres of fine land, and in 1893 Mr. Scott purchased part of the Rose estate adjoining, having now 135 acres, which he devotes principally to dairying and the raising of hay. Our subject takes an active interest in all movements for the best interests of the town.

Shultz, Theophilus, was born in Palatine, Montgomery county, March 15, 1822, and came to this county, town of Dryden, in 1874. He bought part of the Jesse M. Blanchard property of 161 acres, and in 1889 bought the Abel White property of forty-five acres, and in 1882 bought the Giles farm of 100 acres, having now 306 acres, on which he raises large crops of hay and grain, and makes a specialty of breeding pure Holstein cattle. At the age of twenty-two Mr. Shultz married Lany Flander, daughter of Jacob H. Flander of St. Johnsville, and they have had seven children, one of whom, Charles A., is now living, and is managing the farm. At the age of twenty-two the latter married Miss Ida E., daughter of Romanzo George of Grand Rapids, Mich., and they have three children: Rollo T., Altha C., and Christine. Our subject is identified with all the leading movements of the town, and is a practical and energetic farmer.

Snyder, Mrs. Caroline, was born in Montezuma, Wayne county, October 4, 1845. Her father, George G. Ellison, came to the town of Dryden in 1859 and died in 1860, when the burden of the family fell upon Mrs. Susan Ellison, and her five children, of whom Caroline was the eldest and who, seeing the necessity of being self-supporting, at once went to work, and has through force of character provided for herself from thirteen years of age up to the present. At twenty-two she married Conwell Snyder, son of John Snyder, who died in 1888, leaving his many business affairs to be taken up and carried on by his wife, who with unexpected business ability has accepted the task and achieved a remarkable success. Mrs. Snyder lives with her mother, Mrs. Susan Ellison, and also the mother of her husband, Mrs. Maria Snyder, and is known as a true hearted, benevolent woman, superintending the farm of 125 acres, which has forced her to lead an active life.

Snyder, Bradford, was born in the town of Dryden, February 24, 1836. His father, Jeremiah, came to this town in June, 1801, and settled on lot forty-three. The family were of German descent, and came to New Jersey from Germany, two of the brothers, Henry and Christopher, being among the pioneer settlers in Dryden, Peter taking up a section of 640 acres, to which he afterwards added, acquiring eventually 1,000 acres, which he distributed among his seven sons, two daughters and a granddaughter. Our subject now resides on the homstead, having 160 acres of the original Snyder purchase. Bradford Snyder was educated at the old eight-square brick school house, and finished at the Ithaca Academy under S. D. Carr. At the age of thirty-six he married Ann, daughter of William Duxtader of Stratford, Fulton county, and they have four children: Ward, Nora, Lena and Reva. Mr. Snyder is a Republican, and is now serving as overseer of the poor. He is also secretary of the Dryden and Groton Fire Insurance company, having held both offices for the past twelve years.

Shank, Mrs. Lucy J., of Lake Ridge, proprietor of the Lake Ridge Hotel and general store, was born in Lansing in 1853. She is the daughter of Loranzo D. and Mary J. Ives, natives of Cayuga county. The grandparents were Noah and Anna (Clark) Ives of Connecticut, but early settlers in Cayuga county. The father of our subject was a carpenter in his earlier days, later a farmer in Lansing. In 1871 he purchased the store and hotel at Lake Ridge, and operated them both until his death in December, 1884. The mother died in November, 1865. They had two children: Emaline and Lucy. Mrs. Shank received her education in the common schools in Lansing. At the death of her father she came into possession of the farm of 130 acres, which she still owns. In 1893 she purchased the store and hotel property at Lake Ridge of her sister Emaline, and with her husband, B. C. Shank, carries on a general merchandise business and hotel. In July, 1891, Mrs. Shank took an extended trip west through Canada, Washington to San Francisco, returning home in March, 1892. She has one child by a former husband, Ives W. Morey, born July 13, 1886. She is a lady of fine tastes and youthful appearance.

Van Nortwick, W. J., was born in the town of Dryden, October 2, 1828. His father, John Van Nortwick, son of Simeon, came from New Jersey and they were among the first settlers in the town. W. J. Van Nortwick was educated in the common schools,

to which he has added through life by reading and close observation. At the age of thirty-six he married Nancy, daughter of Alexander McKinney, of Dryden, and they are the parents of two children, one son, William, and one daughter, Lulu May. In 1850, he began to acquire real estate, buying out other heirs and part of his uncle's estate, having sixty-six acres on which he has erected handsome buildings, raising hay, grain and stock, making a specialty of dairying. Our subject is one of the conservative, independent men of his town, where he is recognized as a practical and successful farmer. He takes an interest in the leading events of the day and in advancing the best interests of his town.

Vandemarks, Benjamin, was born in the town of Caroline, November 15, 1830. James M., his father, a native of Ulster county, moved to Tompkins county when quite small, and always followed farming, owning a farm near Brookton. He married Rachael Personius of the town of Caroline, and they had eight children, our subject being the second, and now sixty-three years old. The latter has followed farming from early life, working at home with his father until his marriage in 1863 to Charlotte, daughter of Peter Dennis of the town of Caroline. They are the parents of five children, all at home but one. All were educated in the common schools except one, who graduated from the Ithaca High School, viz., Charles. In politics our subject is a Democrat.

Thomas, John, was born December 11, 1825, in the town of Dover, Dutchess county, and came to Tompkins county at the age of six months with his parents. He was educated in the district schools, to which he added by reading and observation. He married Amelia, daughter of James Mulks of Ithaca, by whom he had two children, a son and a daughter. Mrs. Thomas died ten years after their marriage. Our subject afterwards sold his farm in Ithaca, and bought what was known as the Lewis Hanford farm of seventy acres, to which he has added since. In 1864 he married second Mary E. Swartout, daughter of Adam Hoffman of the town of Caroline. He is a Democrat in politics and takes an active interest in temperance, education and religion, being one of the leading men of the place.

Thomas, E. J., was born in Dryden, May 26, 1840, a son of Benjamin, a native of Dutchess county, who was left an orphan when young, and worked at farming till he reached manhood, when he married Mary, daughter of Bryant Thomas, of Dutchess county, and in 1834 moved to the farm now occupied by our subject. Here he died in 1872, having been a prosperous farmer and a good citizen. He and wife had four children, E. J. being the third. He also followed farming through early life. He was educated in the public schools and at the age of twenty-three married Olive R. Winfield, daughter of William Winfield of Slaterville, and they had two children, Mary and Jane. Mr. Thomas has always voted the Republican ticket.

Taggart, William, was born in Ireland, August 21, 1832, and came to this county in 1849. He settled in Dryden, remaining five years, then worked for different farmers, and in 1857 he started for himself, buying a farm of thirty acres, which he traded for eighty acres in Newfield, then traded that for his present place, about eleven years ago. He served one year in the Rebellion. In 1860 he married Margaret Hodges and they

have had six children, two deceased. Mr. Taggart is a member of the Grange, also of G. A. R. In politics he is a Republican.

Tree, Edward, was born in England, July 5, 1844, and was less than two years of age when his parents came to this country. His father, Edward, sr., came to this country and located in the town of Lansing, and here made his home till 1837, when he moved to Ithaca and engaged in paper making. He died February 19, 1885, aged seventy-one years. Of his ten children, eight survive, our subject being the oldest son. The latter was educated in the public schools, and his first occupation was as a paper maker. At the age of fifteen he began as an apprentice in the Ithaca paper mill, and rapidly rose to higher positions, following the business thirty-two years. January 10, 1878, Mr. Tree established a general grocery and provision store at 227 Aurora street, which his son conducted while Mr. Tree worked in the paper mill. January 1, 1890, the son became a partner in the firm, and under the name of E. Tree & Son, the concern is well known in commercial circles. In 1891 they added a market to their store, and now have one of the finest stores of the kind in the place. Mr. Tree is a Democrat and in 1878 was elected on the Democratic and Workingmen's ticket as trustee of the village. He is a member of the Aurora street church and also of the R. A. November 22, 1866, he married Sarah J. Sincepaugh of Ithaca, and they have had two children: William, and Maud R.

Tucker, George S., was born in the town of Dryden, February 5, 1850. His father, George W. Tucker, was one of the early settlers. He was educated in the common schools to which he has added through life by reading and close observation. At the age of thirty he married Ella Mericle, and they have one son, George C., and one daughter, Blanche D. He takes the Republican side in politics and an active interest in school and church matters, being now trustee of the school. In the year 1886 he bought the Joseph Fisher place of six acres where he now resides. Our subject through life has followed the trade of carpenter and builder, making a specialty of bridge building and railroad work.

Teeter, George W., a life resident of Lansing, was born on the farm he now owns December 29, 1817, the son of Henry Teeter, who came to Lansing with his father, Henry, from Northampton county, Pa., in 1791, and settled in this county. The grandfather, Henry, died in 1804, leaving nine children; all now deceased. Henry, son of the latter, and father of George W., spent his life on his father's farm. He married a Miss Wintchy Sly, daughter of Michael Sly of Elmira, formerly of Pennsylvania, and of their thirteen children, eleven grew to maturity: John, Joseph, Daniel, Sally, Vincent, Hannah, Sly, Catharine, George, Henry and Smith. Henry died about 1844, and his wife in 1872. George W. attended the district schools and has always made this farm his home. He followed boating on the Erie Canal for ten years, plying between Buffalo and New York city. In the mean time he sold the farm left him by his father, and after leaving the canal bought a farm in Dryden, and a year later traded with his brother for the homestead farm, which he has improved with new buildings, etc. January 15, 1849, he married Matilda E. Hagin, born in 1822, daughter of Charles Hagin, and they have had five children: Foris May, born December 1, 1849, now of Portland,

Ore.; Florence Belle, born in 1852, wife of Cicero Miller, of Kirkwood, Broome county; Frances E., wife of R. Miller of Lansing, born in 1855; George H., born in 1860; Charles S. twin of George H., who died aged three years; Lena L., born in 1867, wife of L. E. Holden of Tennessee. Mr. Teeter is a Democrat, and has served as commissioner of roads.

Reynolds, James Spencer, deceased, was born in the town of Lansing, Tompkins county, October 2, 1825, a son of Spencer Reynolds, a native of New Jersey and one of the early settlers of this county, who was three times married and had nine children. James S. was the first born and was educated in the old Ithaca Academy. After leaving school, and at the age of sixteen, he was apprenticed to learn the iron moulder's trade in the Coy foundry, and after finishing his apprenticeship he was employed in the same foundry until he established a business for himself, and besides the foundry added a machine shop, which he conducted alone for some time, and then was joined by J. B. Lang, and the firm is still in existence, the estate of our subject being a part of the firm. Mr. Reynolds died October 31, 1891, mourned and lamented by all who knew him. He was a Republican, and although often urged to accept office invariably declined on account of his private business interests. In 1854 he married Francis P. Kenyon, daughter of William Kenyon, formerly a cabinetmaker of Hector, but late of the Western States, who died in Shasta, Cal.

Ross, J. D., was born in Savona, Steuben county, N. Y., May 29, 1867. His father, James H. Ross, is a retired clergyman of the M. E. Church after a pastorate of forty years. Our subject was educated in the Cook Academy, Havana, N. Y., and afterwards attended Cornell University. After leaving the university he took up the study of law in connection with D. F. Van Vleet, of Ithaca, and removed to the village of Dryden in 1890, where he was elected justice of the peace in 1891. At the age of twenty-five he married Alice Sweetland, daughter of George J. Sweetland of Dryden. Our subject is one of the rising young lawyers in his town, where he is recognized as a man of conservative character and ability, being selected by his townspeople to fill various positions of trust.

Roe, H. W., was born in the town of Dryden May 9, 1859, and was educated in the common schools, to which he has added through life by reading and close observation. After leaving school he served as clerk in the general store at Etna for three years, and then came to Freeville as clerk for A. C. Stone, and has continued in the same business up to the present date, the firm being Roe & Sutfin, carrying a general line of dry goods, groceries, boots and shoes, wall paper, crockery and drugs. Our subject is the leading merchant in his town, carrying the largest and most complete stock of merchandise in the town. At the age of twenty-nine he married Ida C. Reed, daughter of T. B. Reed of Dryden, and they have one son, Clinton M. Roe. He takes an active interest in temperance principles, and in advancing the best interests of his town, where he is recognized as a citizen of high principles and strict integrity.

Reed, Joseph A., was born in the city of Ithaca, September 23, 1838. In 1882 he went into the wholesale pork packing business and conducted a market for fifteen years. Since 1890 he has done nothing. In 1890 he erected the fine buildings at the

corner of Aurora and Buffalo streets, known as the Reed block. It is sixty-six by sixty-eight feet, of brick, three stories, the lower floor occupied by stores, the two upper floors by living compartments. In 1880 he married Ella A. Brook of the town of Lansing, daughter of Alfred Brook, a farmer. He has a beautiful residence on Green street, rebuilt in 1879.

Rothschild Brothers.—This firm is composed of Jacob, Isaac and Daniel G. Rothschild, who first started in business about eighteen years ago in Binghamton. After seven years they removed to Ithaca, starting in on the corner of Aurora and State streets, and removed to their present grand headquarters during the spring of 1888. Their stock consists of everything in the dry goods line, with cloaks, shawls and bedding on the main floor of their large double store (55 x 100 feet). The basement is given up to china, of the finest quality, also glassware and crockery, suitable for the mechanic or the connoisseur, lamps of all varieties, brackets, tinware, etc.

Rhodes, George, was born November 2, 1821, in the town of Ithaca, and was educated in the district schools, but at an early age he went to work on his father's farm, which he helped to clear. His grandfather bought the farm for his two sons, John and Frederick, the place comprising 314 acres, and in 1853 George R. bought the place of his father and now owns it. Our subject is Democratic in politics. December 14, 1865, he married Hannah M. Teachmen, daughter of L. M. Teachmen of Hector, and they have had two daughters, both now married and settled in homes of their own.

Reed, Dr. F. A., was born in Caroline, September 14, 1849, a son of H. C. Reed, also born in this county in 1812, who was a carpenter for four years in Ithaca. H. C. married, in 1836, Mary A., daughter of Bethel Gray, of Chenango county, and continued his work in Ithaca for nearly eight years, living at Mott's Corners, now Brookton. He then bought a farm on Bald Hill, though he continued to work at his trade for the next three years, then settled down to farm work. He was a Republican and served as commissioner for two terms, was trustee of the school and a prominent member of the M. E. Church. He had four sons and one daughter, our subject being the fourth child. He remained at home with his parents for a number of years, and at the age of thirty-seven married Hattie, daughter of John D. Cannon, of Connecticut, from which place he moved into Delaware county, N. Y. His marriage occurred February 27, 1878, after which he resided on his father's farm ten years, then moved to West Slaterville, where they remained two years, our subject attending college part of the time in Cleveland, Ohio. Returning, he located in Brockton, where he has since had a successful practice. He still owns a farm, however, which is worked by a tenant. He is a Republican, a Mason of Caroline Lodge, No. 681; also a member of the Grange. He has two children, Maggie E. and Herman C.

Richardson, W. H., was born in Freetown, Cortland county, December 15, 1835, and was educated in the common schools and finished at the Groton Academy. At the age of twenty-five was married to Miss Ellen Van Nortwick, daughter of William Van Nortwick, and they have one son, Clarke H. Richardson. In 1863 he bought part of the Van Nortwick estate, and in 1866 he bought what was known as the Palmer Drake property of sixty-eight acres, which adjoins his own property, having in all about 150

acres. In 1875 he came to the village and established a coal, lime, lumber and agricultural implements business, and as buyer and shipper of produce. Our subject is one of the oldest merchants in his town, taking an active interest in temperance, educational and religious matters, and is recognized as an independent, conservative citizen of sterling worth and high integrity.

Rummer, Charles E., was born in the town of Dryden, May 1, 1869, and was educated in the common schools and finished at Groton Academy. After leaving school he went to Sparrow Point, Md., and served as a clerk in the Sparrow Point Company's store for two years and then returned to Dryden. In the fall of 1893, in connection with his father, G. Rummer, he bought the stock of boots and shoes and rubber goods of the W. J. Lombard estate, and they have the leading house in their line in the town of Dryden. At the age of twenty-three he married Corinne Powers, daughter of Frederick Powers, of Groton. Our subject takes the Republican side in politics and is recognized in his town as a man of high business ability and character.

Rummer, Richard C., was born in Dryden, October 5, 1852, and was among the earliest settlers in the town. He was educated in the common schools and finished at Dryden Academy, under Professor Jackson Graves. At the age of twenty-three he married Olive Heffron, who passed away in 1880, and in 1889 he married Louisa A., daughter of John Turk, of Caroline, and they have one daughter and one son. In 1889 he bought the homestead farm of 200 acres, and in 1891 part of the Cady estate of forty-eight acres, having 248 acres, and raising hay, grain and stock, making a specialty of dairying. Our subject takes the Republican side in politics, and is now president of the Board of Health of Freeville. He is interested in school and church matters and takes a prominent part in advancing the best interests of his town.

Robinson, Edmund E., was born in the village of Groton, September 22, 1853. Filander H., the father of our subject, was born in Vesper, Onondaga county, and is a miller by trade. The boyhood of our subject was passed in his native town, and at the age of seventeen he went as an operator on the Union Pacific Railroad, and spent four years in Wyoming, Utah, and Montana. He was educated in the public schools and Groton Academy, before going west. On his return in 1874 he was a short time at home, then spent one year on the Illinois Central Railroad at Cairo. In 1875 he came east on a visit, and while at home was offered a position as ticket agent and operator for Sayre on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, which he accepted, and the next year was made agent for the L. V., the G. I. & S., and the S. C. The next year, at the consolidation of these roads, Mr. Robinson was made superintendent of the telegraph, and train dispatcher, and transferred to Ithaca in July, 1877, since which time he has been a resident of this city. He remained in the employ of this company until May 16, 1892, and on his retirement had the satisfaction of feeling he had never lost the company a dollar nor made a mistake. Mr. Robinson is a Republican, and in May, 1883, he was appointed deputy revenue collector for the twenty-first district under James Armstrong, which position he held until 1885. He was also elected assistant chief engineer of the Fire Department, and in 1885 elected chief, filling that office until July 21, 1889, at

which time he was appointed postmaster. During 1887-'88-'89 he was chairman of the Republican County Committee. In 1888 he was nominated for alderman of the first ward, but declined to serve. He is a member of Hobasco Lodge No. 716 F. & A. M. In 1876 Mr. Robinson married Alice A., daughter of Anson Wyckoff, a farmer of Moravia, and they have three children: E. Winifred, Frederica, and Nathan Lavere. Mr. Robinson has been a delegate to every senatorial and district convention for the past twelve years, and to him the Republican party is indebted for much of its prosperity in this locality.

Robinson, H. H., was born in Caroline, May 29, 1841, a son of Solomon, a native of Ulster county, who came to this county when eight years old with his parents, settling in Slaterville Springs, where his father kept a hotel. At the age of eighteen Solomon started out for himself, following various occupations, and built a grist-mill in 1836 at Slaterville Springs. In connection with this work he conducted a large farm of 309 acres, employing many hands. In 1857 he sold his mill, and in 1859 sold half of his farm, after which his son H. H. took charge of the remaining part, a large farm in itself, in 1877 commencing a dairy with seven head of cattle, which he has increased to twenty-five head. He has three horses, and does a large trade in butter and milk, being unable sometimes to fill his orders. He married Frances L., daughter of David L. Clark of Richford, Tioga county, in 1860, and they occupy a pleasant and comfortable home. He is a Granger, and a liberal supporter of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is also an active worker in the Republican party.

Pratt, Ephraim S., was born in Tolland, Mass., December 25, 1811, and came with his parents to Wolcott, Wayne county, at the age of seven years. He was educated in the schools of that day, and moved to Seneca county. November 9, 1834, he married Huldah B. Williams, of Weston, Conn., by whom he had eight children, four sons and four daughters: David S., Thomas H., Abby A., Tamsen L., Orlo H., Olive L., Florence, and James R. Mrs. Pratt died May 26, 1885, and he married second, April 12, 1886, Susan P. Pease, widow of Orman Osborne, a farmer of Fairfield, Conn., who died May 5, 1873, leaving one son, Alvin P. Osborne. Mr. Pratt's father, Silas, was born in Sandersfield, Mass., August 17, 1781, a son of Justin, born in Granville, Mass., October 21, 1731. He was the son of Barnard, born at Hingham, Mass., July 1, 1710. The latter was the son of Aaron, son of Phineas, whose father, Henry, was born at Hingham, England, in 1599. In 1635 the latter emigrated with nine others, to Massachusetts, and Hingham was given as a name to the new home, which name has continued to the present day. Mr. Pratt has resided in Ulysses over forty years.

Quick, Daniel, was born in Caroline, December 9, 1821. Henry, father of our subject, was a native of Ulster county, a farmer, who came to this county and bought 100 acres of land, to which he added 160, which he owned at time of his death, besides other property. The only capital he owned when he came to Tompkins county was an axe and one shilling in money. He married Sallie, daughter of Daniel Ersley, one of the first settlers of the county, and they reared a family of nine children, of whom our subject is the youngest. Daniel lived with his father until he married at the age of thirty-three, to Caroline Ivory, and they have had three children, one daughter

surviving, Georgie, who married a Mr. Quick, who was, however, no relative. She has one son, Clifford D. Quick, aged five months. Mr. Quick is assessor of the town, a Democrat, and a member of the Grange.

Pratt, David S., was born in the town of Covert, Seneca county, January 13, 1836, was educated in the public schools and Trumansburgh Academy; also Union College, Schenectady. April 9, 1860, he married Emily M., daughter of the late Simeon Pease, of Trumansburgh. They have one son and two daughters: Leslie, Antoinette L., and Agnes H. Leslie married Augusta Seigleman, and has three children: Harold, Cora, and Agnes. Antoinette L. married James N. Layne, of Missouri, and Agnes H. lives at home. Mr. Pratt is for the present engaged in farming in the west.

Pratts, George W., of Newfield, was born December 27, 1823, a son of Peter Pratts, who was born in 1801, who was a farmer by occupation and married Sophronia Chaffee, by whom he had six children. Of these our subject was the oldest, being now seventy years of age. He has been a farmer as was his father before him, the farm being owned by himself and L. C. Pratts, his brother. Our subject has never married. He is a member of the Grange and in politics is a Republican.

Pratts, C. W., was born in Newfield, September 9, 1831. Adam, his father, was a native of Pennsylvania, who came to this county when quite young, settling in this town, where he took up farming at which he was very successful. He married Catharine Sebring of this county, and they had three children. C. W. Pratts has always followed farming. He married in 1852 Delilah Sherman of this town, and they had two children, both deceased, one dying at the age of six months, and the other aged twenty-two years. Mr. Pratts votes the Democratic ticket.

Pratt, Charles F., was born in Groton, January 21, 1856. His father, Benjamin F. Pratt, was a well known resident of Groton. He was educated in the Dryden Academy after leaving the common schools. At the age of thirty four he married Josephine Montgomery, daughter of John Montgomery of Dryden. In 1878 he bought part of the John Southworth estate of ninety-five acres, in 1889 he bought forty acres of the Joseph Thomas estate and in the spring of 1893 he bought part of the Elias Cady estate of sixty-one acres, lying just west of the village of Dryden. Our subject is one of the prominent men of his town, having nearly 200 acres of the best farm lands in his town, where he is known as a conservative man of energy and ability and as a successful and practical farmer.

Pierce, Clarence W., was born in Susquehanna county, Pa., February 16, 1862. He was educated in the common schools and Wyoming Seminary at Kingston, Pa. After leaving school he remained on the farm for about three years, and then entered the employ of the D., L. & W. R. R. Co. At first he was a passenger brakeman and rose to passenger conductor, and in 1890 he came to Ithaca to take charge of the retail coal trade. He is a Republican in politics, but has held no offices. He is a member of Fidelity Lodge, F. & A. M. and Eagle Chapter. In 1884 he married Emma Mills of Susquehanna county, Pa. They have one child, a daughter.

Pike, William L., the present secretary and general manager of the Groton Carriage Company, was a native of Richmond county, N. Y., born January 9, 1853. He began

active business life on reaching his majority, and was then a well trained and competent practical wagonmaker. About 1870 he established himself at Tully, N. Y., and soon became the head of the firm of Pike, Smith & Walsh, which for several years was well known in that part of Onondaga county. Pike & Walsh succeeded the older firm and afterward established the Waterloo Wagon Company, at Waterloo, in Seneca county. After about three years this business was disposed of, and in 1885 Mr. Pike came to Groton to take the general management and the secretaryship of the local company. That he has been abundantly successful in that capacity is attested by the fact that the business of the company has been largely increased during the period of his connection with it; and it is a conceded fact that the Groton Carriage Company is one of the most successful institutions of its kind in Central New York. On coming to Groton Mr. Pike found the business of the concern conducted according to old usages, and to him is due the credit of having successfully remodeled its working arrangements and inaugurating a system in every department in accordance with the modern and now popular ideas of wagon, carriage and sleigh making. Although much engrossed in business Mr. Pike has found time to interest himself somewhat in local politics. He is a firm Democrat and was candidate for the Assembly in 1892, and though defeated at the polls the result of the vote was the source of gratification to himself and his friends. Again in February, 1893, he was the nominee of his party for the office of supervisor against Dana Rhodes, the latter vice-president of the carriage company, and a man of great strength and popularity throughout the town. However, in this last canvass Mr. Pike was reluctant to become a candidate and only consented to do so in order to fill a breach in the party ticket.

Quigley, Mrs. D. C., is a daughter of James C. Knight, who was born in Lodi, Seneca county, June 15, 1810. He was well educated and taught school several seasons. He began his mercantile career in Farmer Village in 1833 with a capital of \$140, to which he added gradually until he obtained a competency. He married Luvezar, daughter of William Mundy, and they had four children: William, who died young; Edward, Henrietta, and Mary. Edward married Josephine Covert of Lodi, Henrietta married Oscar G. Wheeler of Farmer, and Mary, our subject, married Henry Bean of Geneva, a hardware merchant, who died in 1878. For her second husband she married David C. Quigley, who was born in New Jersey, and came here in company with his parents in 1844. They had one son, James K., born June 20, 1880. Mr. Quigley was a merchant tailor, doing a large and successful business. He died January 31, 1881. He was an active member of the Presbyterian church of Trumansburgh, and a leader of the choir. Mrs. Quigley's father was one of the leading men of Seneca county, and always ready to give good advice to all who called on him for it, many dating their success in life to his timely counsel. He died November 26, 1881, and his wife June 23, 1886.

Pearson, Pierce (deceased), was born in the town of Newfield, February 22, 1840. His father, Robert, came from Bordentown, N. J., to Newfield in 1835, remaining there until his death, in 1864. The family originally came from Yorkshire, England. Pierce Pearson received his early education in the district schools, and completed it by his own efforts through his life. He was looked upon as a leader in the town in which he

lived, known and recognized as a man of signal ability. In the fall of 1867, he with his brother Nicholas, bought the well known farm "up the Inlet" of John Fisher, to which they soon added their other adjoining farm, and then engaged in the nursery business. At the age of thirty-one he married Alma J. Foster of Ithaca, who bore him six children, two sons and two daughters now living, and with the help of their mother carry on the farm, and raising large amounts of tobacco, grain and stock. Mr. Pearson attended the Congregational church of Ithaca, to which he gave his hearty support. He died in April, 1891.

Quick, Charles, was born in the town of Caroline, May 7, 1848. He has followed farming from early boyhood, working at home for his father most of the time until he reached his majority, and he then went to work for his grandfather. At the age of twenty-one he married Charlotte Hubbard of the town of Dryden, and they have had four children, two sons and two daughters. Mr. Quick is not a politician, though he always votes the Democratic ticket.

Poole, Hon. Murray Edward, was born July 17, 1857, at Centre Moreland, Wyoming county, Pa., at the head of the historic Wyoming Valley. He is a son of the late Edward V. Poole, a prominent business man and private banker of Tioga county, and a descendant from Captain Edward Poole, the founder of Weymouth, Mass., in 1635. Six of his ancestors were officers in the Revolutionary War, and another served in the Massachusetts Colonial Assembly during the same period. He was prepared at Wyoming Seminary at Kingston, Pa., and graduated at Cornell University as A. B., in 1880. He studied law with Judge Marcus Lyon, Judge Bradley Almy, Col. Charles H. Blair and Hon. Jared T. Newman, of Ithaca; Judge Charles A. Clark and Frank A. Darrow, esq., of Owego, and Judge Adolphus C. Allen, of Waverly. He was admitted to the bar May 3, 1889, at Syracuse. He married November 4, 1891, Eva, daughter of James Zeliffe, of Limestone, N. Y. She was born March 31, 1862, and graduated at Baxter University of Music, Friendship, N. Y., in 1880. They have one daughter, Laura Frances, born December 4, 1893. He has always taken an active interest in Democratic politics, was appointed special county judge of Tompkins county, October 24, 1889, by Governor Hill, to fill a vacancy, and held the office until January 1, 1890; has been justice of the peace since January 1, 1891, acting recorder of the city of Ithaca since April 10, 1893; Democratic candidate for special county judge in 1889, and delegate to the constitutional convention in 1893. He is also a prominent Mason, having attained the thirty-third degree. He was one of the founders of the Waverly Farmer in 1883, and is a member of the New York State Press Association, of the Society of the Sons of the Revolution, Society of the War of 1812, New England Historic Genealogical Society, New York Genealogical and Biographical Society and American Historical Association. Also author of the "History of Edward Poole, of Weymouth, Mass., 1635, and his Descendants, 1893," author of the History of the Town of Tioga in "Gay's Historical Gazetteer of Tioga County, N. Y.," 1887, and "Biographical Sketches in Landmarks of Tompkins County;" associate editor of "Gilmore's Cyclopedia of American Biography," of the "Cyclopedia of the Medical Profession," "White's National Cyclopedia of American Biography," also of "Appleton's

Annual Cyclopedia," contributor to the University Magazine (N. Y. City), Magazine of American History, Harper's Weekly, Detroit Free Press, Buffalo Illustrated Express, Utica Saturday Globe and others. He resides in Ithaca.

Ostrander, Charles H., was born in the town of Danby, March 13, 1845, was educated in the district schools, and to this has added by careful and intelligent reading. After leaving school he began farming on his father's farm. Orrin Ostrander, his father, was one of the first settlers in the town. Our subject married at the age of twenty-three, Rebecca A., daughter of Lewis Scott, of Ithaca, by whom he had three daughters, the eldest, Emma L. Smiley, now of South Danby, living on the old homestead. Mr. Ostrander is a Democrat in politics, and is a member of the M. E. Church of South Danby. In the fall of 1893 he bought the stock of dry goods, groceries and hardware of William Bierce, and has now the principal store in the town, and does a large business. He is known throughout the town as a conservative man of fine business ability and high principle.

Ozman, Ira, was born in Lansing, on his present farm, December 28, 1825. He is the son of Jacob L., a native of Orange county and an early settler in Lansing, who came here with his parents, John and Polly (Linderman) Ozmun, at an early date. Jacob settled on the farm now owned by his son, and there passed his life, with the exception of his last three years. He was a prominent man in his town, and was educated in both English and German. He was a veterinary surgeon, and was prominent in both town and county politics, being a Democrat. He married Sally Ingley, of Groton, and they had eight children, Polly, Alvira, Abby A., Elmira, Jerry I. (all deceased), Ira, Emily and Julia. During his last years he engaged in the lumber business with our subject. He died in June, 1864, aged sixty-three years, and his wife died three years later, aged sixty-six years. Ira attended the common schools, and remained on the farm of his father till twenty-five years of age. At the age of twenty he bought a saw mill, and engaged in the manufacture of lumber, which he followed fourteen years, in connection with his farm business, having bought with his brother, in 1848, the farm of 245 acres. Some years later they divided the farm. Since he retired from the lumber business he has confined himself to farming exclusively. In 1855 he married Mary, daughter of Morris and Rachael (Learn) De Camp, of Lansing. She was born in 1827. Mr. and Mrs. Ozmun have three adopted children, N. Breese, now a resident of California; Oscar D. Dolson, of Peoria, Ill.; and Hester Ann Dalton, wife of Willie Teeter, of Groton. Mr. and Mrs. Ozmun are members of the North Lansing Grange, of which they have been active workers for twenty years.

Owen, Duane D., was born in Homer, Cortland county, February 26, 1845, a son of F. M. Owen of the mercantile interests of Homer. The education of Duane was derived in the common schools, followed farming about eight years, and then was employed in a shoe peg factory for about eight years. After this he was engaged in manufacturing iron gears for sleighs and wagons until 1890. That year he moved to Ithaca, where he bought the Van Houter lumber yard, and has ever since conducted it, handling all kinds of hard and soft lumber, and is prepared to furnish everything needed in building, such as shingles, lath, etc., as well as trimmings, posts, ornaments, etc. Mr. Owen is a

staunch Republican, but never an aspirant for political office. He is a member of the order of K. of P., also a member of the Baptist Church. He married, December 9, 1891, Frances E. Dunham, of Ithaca. By his former wife he has one daughter, in her fourteenth year.

Nye, Edwin R., was born in Locke, June 7, 1842, the son of Washington and Mary Nye. He was brought up on the farm where he lived until he reached the age of twenty-eight years, then moved to Groton and for the next four years engaged in the livery business. In 1871 he purchased from Doctor Goodyear the large block now known as the Odd Fellows Hall building, the upper portion of which was formerly occupied for public purposes. In 1884 Mr. Nye built the rink in the rear of the block, and in 1892 remodeled it and arranged its interior for an opera house, the opening entertainments being given there in December of that year. After this the Odd Fellows became established occupants of the upper portion of the building on Main street. March 15, 1863, Edwin R. Nye married Alice H., daughter of John Green. Of this marriage seven children have been born.

Nixon, William J., was born in Lincolnshire, England, March 16, 1838, and came to this country in 1856, first locating in New Jersey, and later in the town of Hector, Schuyler county. He was educated in the public schools of this country, and September 28, 1861, he enlisted in Company A, 89th N. Y. Volunteers, was wounded in the battle of Antietam, and honorably discharged January 20, 1863. January 20, 1864, he married Rachel A. Smith of Ulysses, and they have had two children, Clara M. and Ina M., the latter dying aged four months. Elias Smith, Mrs. Noxon's father, was born in New Jersey in 1780, coming to this town in 1803. He married Rachel Skinner of his native State, and they had nine children: Charity, Sally, Christopher, James S., Clarissa, Watson A., Susan M., Rachel A., and Minerva P. Mr. Nixon has a deed dating back to May 28, 1818. Elias Smith located on the farm in 1807. Mr. Nixon is a member of Treman Post No. 572 G. A. R.; he is one of the representative men of the town, and also deals in agricultural implements and fertilizers.

Nelson, Robert C., was born in Dryden, December 5, 1819. His father, Robert Nelson, came from Orange county in 1812 and settled on lot sventy-six. Robert Nelson was educated in the common schools and finished at the select school in Dryden. At the age of thirty he married Louisa Card of this town. In 1849 he bought a farm of John Southworth of 100 acres. Our subject is one of the leading farmers of this town, where he is known as a man of high character and integrity, interested in educational and religious matters and in leading events of the day, and is known as a practical and successful farmer.

McLallen, James G., was born in the town of Ulysses, at Trumansburgh, May 25, 1860, was educated in the public schools of that place, with one year in Cornell University, and is by occupation an accountant. September 10, 1884, he married Susie Osborn, of his native place, by whom he had three children: Grover J., Osborn, and Jane. His father, Grover Judson McLallen, was born here, December 11, 1834, and October 14, 1857, he married Cordelia H. Corey, of the town of Ulysses, and they had three children: Jesse, who died in infancy; James G. and Ella C. His grandfather,

James, was born October 12, 1800, and became a merchant here. His great-grandfather, John McLallen, was born in West Stockbridge, Mass., December 25, 1773, and came to Trumansburgh with his brother-in-law, Abner Treman, in 1792. He built the first tavern in this town; Trumansburgh, near the creek, where M. R. Bennett's livery stables are now. It was a log structure. The first postoffice was established in it. He married Mary King, and it is believed on good authority, that this was the first wedding in the town.

Moe, R. Palmer, was born in Groton, September 18, 1824. He was reared on a farm, but during his early life he worked at other occupations. In 1848 he married Harriet, daughter of Lewis Jones of McLean. Mrs. Moe died November 23, 1892. For ten years after his marriage Palmer Moe worked his father's farm, and afterwards spent two years in Allegany county. He then returned to Groton, and bought the Prescott Pierce farm, located south of Groton village, where he now resides. Eugene Benton Moe is a son by adoption of Palmer Moe.

Moe, John, was a native of Connecticut, who moved to Genoa at a very early date, and thence to Lansing. His twelve children were as follows: Robert, Marcus, Mary, James, John, Roderick, Lucas, Anna, Susan, Sally, Hiram and Phoebe. Robert married Lois Knapp and settled in Groton on the farm now owned by his son, R. Augustus Moe. The children of Robert and Lois Moe were as follows: Leonard, Ann who married Sheldon Castle, John who died in 1893, Phoebe who married Prescott Pierce, R. Palmer, of Groton, R. Augustus, of Groton, and Charles, who died aged four years. Robert died in 1869, aged eighty years, and his wife Lois died in 1862. R. Augustus Moe, who purchased from his father, and still occupies, the old homestead farm, was born July 3, 1827, and at the age of twenty-four married Maria, daughter of Daniel Dimon. They had two children, both now deceased. Maria Moe died in 1857, and in 1858 he married second, Atha, daughter of David Stoddard, and of this union there is one child, Florence, wife of Avery Guyon.

Moe, Hiram, was born in Cayuga county in 1803, and died in Tompkins county in 1849. He was an early physician of the northern part of this county, living for many years in Lansing, where he enjoyed an extensive practice. He was married three times. Erastus C. Moe, remembered as an able medical practitioner in Lansing, Groton and Ithaca, and particularly for his acknowledged skill in surgery, was one of the sons of Dr. Hiram Moe, and was born in Lansing in 1823. He was educated at Groton and Cortland, and studied medicine at Geneva, attending the Geneva Medical College and also the Buffalo Medical College, graduating from the latter. After years of residence and practice at Ludlowville, East Lansing and Groton, Dr. Moe went to Ithaca in 1872, and there he died April 17, 1876. His wife was Polly, daughter of Ebenezer Allen of Lansing, by whom he had two children, Ida, now the wife of Rev. Thomas A. Edwards of Gloucester, Mass. and Hiram G., cashier of the First National Bank of Groton. She died at Ithaca May 17, 1873. Hiram G. Moe was elected cashier of the First National Bank March 14, 1890. His wife, whom he married in May, 1872, was Ella, daughter of Eliphalet Hall, and they have no children. Mr. Moe is prominently identified with the Baptist Church, being one of its board of trustees, and also deacon.

McAllaster, B. R., was born in Newfield, October 18, 1816. David, his father, was a native of Vermont, who came to this county in 1814. He was a physician and married Polly Thomas of Vermont, by whom he had five children, our subject being the second. The latter has always been a farmer. He served three years in the Rebellion in the 109th N. Y. Volunteers, under Col. B. F. Tracey, late secretary of the navy, and escaped without a wound. He married Prudence L. Barger of Cayuga county and they had five children: David K., Harriet L., Ellen, Frank and Charles. Harriet and Charles are deceased. Mrs. McAllaster died in March, 1893, aged seventy-three years. Our subject is a member of the G. A. R., Gregg Post. He has held the office of road commissioner seven years, and has been supervisor three terms. In politics he is Republican.

Morgan, Philip, was born in New Jersey in 1823, a son of Enoch, who came from Belvidere, N. J., with his family and settled in the town of Groton sixty years ago, in 1833. Of his family of nine children, only three survive. Enoch was a successful and industrious farmer, and a life of toil was rewarded with a fair competency. Philip was ten years of age when his parents settled here. He was brought up on a farm, and at the age of thirty began his own career, being now the owner of a good eighty-acre farm about three miles east of Groton village. At the age of about forty years Mr. Morgan married Sebra A. Seager. Mr. Morgan is a Democrat in politics.

Meaker, Reuben, was born in the town of Silver Lake, Susquehanna county, Pa., March 16, 1823, and was there educated in the district schools, which he attended winters, and to this he has added by reading and observation. He married at the age of twenty, Elsie B., daughter of John Montgomery of Athens, Pa., and they were the parents of eight children, five now living. Our subject is on the Republican side in politics, and also takes an active interest in the educational question as well as religious matters, having been a member of the M. E. Church for fifty-five years. In 1868 he came to the town of Danby, where he bought what was known as the Charles Hill farm of 102 acres, on which he now lives, devoting his attention to the raising of hay, grain and stock. He is one of the solid men of the county, and practical and successful in his work.

Mount, Robert Newton, who for thirty years was well known as a teacher in the public schools of Tompkins and Cayuga counties, was a native of Groton, born June 10, 1843, a son of William Dye and Eliza Mount, both of the latter being pioneers of Dryden and Groton. Robert N. was brought up to work in his father's tannery and currier shop, and on the farm, and he lived at home until the summer of 1862. Then, on August 9, he enlisted in Company F, 109th N. Y. Volunteers, as a musician, and followed the fortunes of his regiment and the famous Ninth Corps until June 22, 1865, when he was mustered out of service. At Spottsylvania while carrying a stretcher he was disabled for life, though he served with his regiment until it was finally discharged from service. Our subject was educated in the common and select schools, also the Groton Academy. Thus equipped he began a career of teaching that continued for thirty years, and he only retired from that occupation in 1888. He owns a good farm in the south part of Groton. In 1874 Mr. Mount married Annette, daughter of Nelson

Morgan, the latter being the son of pioneer Evan Morgan. Robert N. and Annette Mount have one son, Nelson Morgan Mount.

McClure, J. Otis, was born in Ithaca, October 26, 1859, the third son of G. C. McClure. J. Otis was educated in the common schools and Ithaca Academy, and his first occupation was as clerk in the drug store of Gauntlett & Brooks, with whom he remained fourteen years. December 7, 1889, he established a copartnership with John A. Fisher of Ithaca, and bought the drug store on the corner of State and Plain streets, where they have a fine brick store with twenty-five feet front and seventy feet in depth, carrying a full line of drugs and chemicals, patent medicines, toilet articles and stationery. Mr. McClure is a Republican, but not an aspirant for public office. He is a member of Tornado Hook and Ladder Company, joined in 1878, and was first assistant one year. He married in January, 1891, Jennie E., daughter of the late Luke V. Maurice, a contractor and builder of Ithaca. They have one daughter.

Merrill, Jason P., was born in Caroline, May 29, 1846, a son of Alvin Merrill, a native of Tioga county, who settled in Tompkins county in 1823. Jason P. is the oldest and only son of seven children, five now living. He was educated in the common schools and in the old Lancasterian school and Ithaca Academy, after leaving which he learned telegraphy, and was the first operative employed by the D. L. & W. Railroad Company in this town. He followed this until 1884, when he was elected justice of the peace on the Democratic ticket, and re-elected in 1888. He was acting recorder of the city from its organization until February, 1893. He was justice of the peace in the town of Caroline from 1875 to 1880. He came to Ithaca in 1880. Judge Merrill began his career as an artist at an early age, inheriting his artistic taste from his grandfather. Although he never took a drawing lesson in his life, his sketches and cartoons have attracted attention throughout the country. He has been offered a position as an artist on the New York World, but preferred to remain in this city. His cartoons show great originality and ingenuity. He married in 1868 Ida L., daughter of Davis Baldwin, of Danby. They have two sons, Lynn, a designer of Stanford's Novelty Works, Ithaca; and Charles, a student of the public school.

Mockford, Richard, was born in Winchester, England, October 13, 1839, where he was educated and learned the trade of a miller. He started for the United States August 1, 1860, landing in New York on the 13th of the same month. He became a merchant in the flour and feed business, also keeping a bakery, and on May 12, 1864, he married Mary Gilbert, formerly of Phelps, Ontario county, and they have had two children: Spencer G., and Ida M. The former died at the age of twenty-one years and eight months, esteemed by all who knew him. The daughter resides at home. Mr. Mockford came to Trumansburgh to reside in 1878, doing a fine business in jewelry and notions.

Marshall, E. H., was born in November 14, 1859, in the town of Enfield, and was educated in the town of Angelica in the district schools, finishing by a course under Professor L. C. Foster at the Ithaca High School. March 18, 1886, he married Rose, daughter of Conrad Whitlock, by whom he has two sons. In 1886 he bought the Willis farm of sixty-three acres on which he raises grain and hay, making a spe-

cialty of tobacco. He takes the Republican side in politics and is actively interested in educational matters, being now trustee of the school in district No. 3. Mr. Marshall is known in his neighborhood as an active, energetic business man of ability.

Morgan, Thomas, who for forty years was the owner and proprietor of the famed "Elm Tree House" at McLean, was the son of William G. and Fanny (White) Morgan and the grandson of pioneer Evan Morgan, who settled in Lansing previous to 1800. In 1843 Thomas Morgan married Elizabeth, daughter of Frederick and Elizabeth Benton. In 1844 he bought from the Rowley estate the old Groton hotel, which he kept a year then sold. In 1849 he bought the Elm Tree House, enlarged it, and was its owner until the winter of 1888-89. Feb. 20, 1890, he died. Daniel W. Rowley was born September 11, 1841. When about a year old his father died, and while still a child his mother died, after which he was taken into the family of Thomas Morgan, where he lived for several years, then started out to make his own way in life. For two years he conducted two markets in Cortland, after which he was proprietor of the Elm Tree House in McLean for a little time. After three years on a farm he again kept hotel for three years, this time the Junction House at Freeville. The following eleven years he spent at farming, and in 1889 he came to Groton to live, where he has been very active and successful in business life. He is a Democrat, but has always declined office. February 26, 1867, he married Ruth, daughter of John P. Hart. They have no children, though in their family lives Mary Hart, a young lady who has been a member of the household since she was an infant. Washington Rowley, father of Daniel W., was born at Lexington, Dutchess county, and came to Virgil at an early day. His wife was Phoebe Benton, by whom he had four children, A. B. Rowley, of Syracuse; Helen, wife of A. J. Pettis; Nathan, who died, aged four years, and Daniel W. About 1840 Washington Rowley went to Groton village and bought and became proprietor of the Groton House. Two years later he died. John P. Hart, father of Mrs. D. W. Rowley, was a son of Amos Hart, and was born January 25, 1816. On December 17, 1840, he married Eliza Boynton, and had eight children, Helen, who died aged twenty-one years; Ruth, wife of D. W. Rowley; George, of Dryden; Ada, who died young; Nancy, who married William De Couders; A. J., of McLean, and Laura, wife of Jerome Fitz. John P. Hart died July 23, 1870, and his wife May 30, 1888.

Mabee, Theodore, was born April 15, 1835, in the village of Ithaca. He was educated in the district schools and at the age of twenty-two he married Rebecca S., daughter of Ira Martin of Danby, by whom he had three sons, one of whom now resides on the homestead place, and assists in carrying on the farm. Our subject is Democratic in politics, taking an intelligent interest in the general events of the day, and is known as a man of high ability. He holds the position of treasurer of the school, and has resided on his present farm of ninety-eight acres for the last five years, moving from a farm in Spencer, of 258 acres, which is now carried on by one of his sons. Mr. Mabee makes a specialty of the dairy and milk business, handling about 200 quarts of milk per day.

Meeks, C. E., was born in the town of Berkshire, October 30, 1864. In his early life he worked at farming, but for the past six years he has been in the butcher business

in Brookton, for one year working in the Asylum for the Insane, and about a year and a half he was in the Cortland wagon shops. December 18, 1888, he married Susan C. White of the town of Newark, and they have two children, Gertie J. and Edmund. Mr. Meeks is town clerk of Caroline, having been elected on the Democratic ticket.

Mitchell, Frank, was born December 11, 1831, educated in the district schools, and gave his attention to farming with his father, who settled in Tompkins county in 1802, and who helped to erect the first frame house in the city of Ithaca. At the age of twenty-eight Frank M. married Anna A., daughter of Elias Taylor, of Boston Mass., and soon afterwards bought the farm where he now lives. He is a Republican in politics, taking an active interest in educational and religious matters, and keeping well posted on all the events of the day.

Munroe, George E., was born in the town of Dryden, March 7, 1845. His father, William Munroe, came from the Mohawk valley in 1820, and married Catharine, daughter of Marcus Edgecombe, of Cortland. Our subject was educated in the Ithaca Academy, and finished at the Albany Normal School, from which he graduated in 1865. Afterwards he taught school for fifteen years, and then took up the study of law with Milo C. Goodrich. In 1880 he opened a law office, and has followed his profession ever since, having been justice of sessions and local magistrate thirteen years. At the age of twenty-two he married Mary A., daughter of Henry Grant, of Caroline, and they were the parents of four children, two sons and two daughters, now deceased.

Mabee, Charles C., was born in the town of Danby, August 13, 1850. His father was among the early settlers of the town. He enlisted in the 137th N. Y. Volunteers, and went to the front at once, participating in the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania and others, up to the time of Gettysburg, where he was killed. His son, our subject, received his education in the district schools of his town and finished at the Ithaca Academy, under Professor Ginn. After leaving school he returned to the farm, where he now resides. At the age of twenty-four he married Mary E., daughter of Samuel Drew, of Poughkeepsie, and they have one daughter, Fannie E. Mr. Mabee is a Democrat in politics, and has served his town as school trustee for several years. His farm comprises 103 acres of some of the best land in the locality, on which the crops are hay and grain chiefly, and he also raises stock.

Mack, William, was born in the town of Ulysses, November 3, 1832. The father of William was Daniel Mack, a son of Nathaniel, from whom the Mack settlement of the town of Ulysses was named. He conducted a distillery there for many years, and was the owner of what is now the Du Bois farm, which is a mile square. Daniel was a boat builder by trade and died in 1862, aged fifty-four years. William was educated in the common schools, and followed farming until the age of sixteen. He then learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for forty-three years. In 1873 he removed to Ithaca, and in 1874 went into partnership with J. S. Granger in the dry goods business, in which he was engaged for three years, then returned to his trade. This he followed till 1893, when he gave it up, and October 1 of that year established the Lyceum Billiard Room on West State street, the place containing six tables, and is

finely fitted up. He is a Republican in politics, and for three terms was overseer of the poor. He is a member of Sidney Post G. A. R., No. 41, having served three years with the 109th N. Y. Volunteers during the war. In November, 1853, he married Catharine Carr, a native of England, and they have four daughters.

Mosso, C. A., was born in Frankfort, Herkimer county, October 3, 1854, and laid the foundation of his education in the common schools, but is a self-educated and self-made man. At the age of twenty he married Emma Fitts, and they are the parents of three sons: Edd, Louie, and Lee. At an early age our subject evinced a decided mechanical talent, which he developed for several years. In 1882 he discovered a process for tempering steel, revolutionizing the system of 3,000 years. The process has been subjected to the severest tests before the scientific men of the country, and in every case has met the expectations of the inventor. C. A. Mosso is recognized as a citizen of high business ability, taking a prominent part in advancing the best interests of his town.

Manning, David, was born in the town of Ithaca, December 29, 1808, and acquired his early education in the district schools. After receiving the training which the schools of that date afforded he gave his attention to farming, and soon took a prominent position in his neighborhood, as a leading and successful farmer. He married Maria, daughter of John Morris of the town Lansing. Our subject is a Republican in politics, and attends the Methodist Church at Varna, to which he contributes largely.

Moran, Frank, one of Lansing's prominent and successful farmers, was born in Genoa, Cayuga county, in 1852, a son of Frank Moran, a native of Ireland, who came to America with his wife, Honora, at the age of about thirty, coming direct to Syracuse, where he engaged in the garden and truck business, later being engaged in construction work for the railroad, and finally purchasing a small place in North Lansing. They had five children: Thomas, Elnora, Mary, Frank and Margaret. Mr. Moran died at the home of our subject, April 4, 1888, and the widow now lives on the farm with her son. Our subject was educated in the common schools and at the age of twelve began farm work, which he continued twelve years. For the next three years he engaged in various enterprises, and went to Kansas, remaining a year, then on account of poor health returned to Lansing and engaged in construction work on the Midland Railroad. This he followed till the road was completed, when he took charge of seven miles of the road lying between North Lansing and Asbury stations, which position he held three years. In 1852 he bought a place of fifty acres, and in 1890 bought another tract of fifty-three acres adjoining, on which he does a general farming business, being also interested in dairying to some extent. His mother and sister Mary live with him, and he has by strict attention to business accumulated a fine property.

Mitchell, John Wilson, is one of Lansing's successful and influential residents. He was born in 1851 on the farm where he now resides, and is the son of John H. Mitchell, a native of Saratoga county, who died in Lake Ridge in 1866. The latter married Chloe M. Wilson of Genoa, who died at her son's residence in 1890. John and Ruth Mitchell, the grandparents, bought this farm in 1831, later a portion of it was owned by an

uncle of John W., and at his death our subject became possessed of it. The place comprises 582 acres, and is a fine farm. Mr. Mitchell attended the district schools until the age of sixteen, then was obliged to take charge of the farm work at home, his father having died when he was fifteen. The larger portion of his farm he leases, or causes to be worked, not taking an active part in the work himself. He is a Mason, and in politics favors the Republicans. He is one of five children, Emily J., deceased, John Wilson, Edward M., deceased, Theodore, deceased, and Mary L., wife of Thomas J. Bradford of Lake Ridge.

Moss, James H., was born in Sterling, Cayuga county, August 18, 1844. At the age of four years he went with his parents to Chemung county, where he was educated in the common schools and learned the milling business with his father. This he continued till the death of his father in 1881, when his brother, John W., and himself bought the Waterburg mills and engaged in business under the firm name of the Moss Brothers. October 1, 1889, the same was dissolved. September 20, 1888, he married Mrs. Florence A. Parsons, born De Munn, of Ulysses, and they have a daughter, Fannie A. Mrs. Moss had two children by her first marriage: Oscar O. and Aurelia. John, father of James Moss, was born in Braintree, Essex county, Eng., March 16, 1819, and came to this country in 1836, learning milling at Black Rock, near Buffalo. After working in various places he began business on his own account in Sterling, Cayuga county, where he married Emily Ingersoll, by whom he had seven children: John W., James H., Mary, Edward F., Lemon B., Ruth E. and Carrie. He died October 11, 1881, and his wife survives him.

Miller, Ephraim, was born in the town of Enfield, September 7, 1845, and was educated in the common schools and at the old academy at Trumansburgh. He has always followed farming. February 14, 1867, he married Minerva E. Sherwood of the town of Ulysses, and they have two daughters, Edith A. and Inez L. Edith married John Belew, a grocery merchant at Sheldrake, Seneca county. Mr. Miller's father, Jonathan L., was born in New Jersey, and came to Enfield with his parents in an early day. He married Cyrene Gould of that town, and they had seven children: Ephraim, Amelia A., now Mrs. Ouderdown of this town; Joshua S., who married Ella Workman of the town of Enfield; Sula E., now Mrs. Balcome, of Hillsdale, Mich., Eva and Ella (twins), Eva, now Mrs. Fletcher of Enfield, and Ella, now Mrs. George of Enfield.

Miller, Peter, was born in what is now Monroe county, Pa., in 1821, the son of Andrew Miller, who came to Lansing with his family in 1823, settling on 140 acres in that town, where he spent his life. By his wife, Hannah Snyder, he had fourteen children, all of whom grew to maturity. They are: Mary, deceased, wife of Daniel Leary of Genoa; John, Andrew, Christian, Melcher, Peter, Simon, Henry, Daniel, Lucy, deceased, wife of Girard Green of Genoa; Sarah, widow of Henry De Camp of Lansing; J. J., Lavina, wife of James Tarbell of West Groton; Hannah, widow of David Raynor, of Locke, Cayuga county. The parents died October 12, 1866, and February 14, 1848, respectively. The grandfather of our subject was Christian Miller, of Pennsylvania, who lived to be 112 years old. Peter Miller was reared on the farm, where he remained until his majority, working for his father. He then hired out to his

father for a year, and then took charge of the place on his own account for eight years, during which he bought a farm of fifty acres in Genoa, Cayuga county, adjoining, on which he moved and began farming. He now owns 112 acres. In 1851 he married Louisa, daughter of Jacob D. and Susanna (Bowker) Ross, of Lansing, where she was born October 16, 1832. John Bowker, the pioneer settler in Lansing was her grandfather. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have had two children; Andrew Jacob, born in 1851, who married Frances Johnson, and has one child, Cora; and Emma, born in 1861, wife of Charles Williams. They have two children: Pearl and Paul. Andrew J. and family live on the farm of our subject, which the son manages for his father. He has at different times been engaged in the mercantile world, before settling down to the farm, having resided in Oswego, Auburn, Michigan, etc. Both father and son are Republicans.

McKellar, Duncan, was born in Argyleshire, Scotland, December 10, 1814, and came to the United States and settled in Tompkins county in 1839. He bought the Josiah Weeks property of 292 acres, raising hay, grain and stock and making a specialty of dairying. Our subject is one of the leading and substantial farmers in his town, where he is recognized as a man of sterling worth and integrity, whose life has proven his word to be as good as his bond.

Loomis, Simon, was born in the town of Groton, December 7, 1825, educated in the district school, and at an early age learned the trade of mason, also carrying on a farm. In 1866 he moved into the town of Danby and bought what was known as the David Van Inwagen farm of twenty-two acres, which he has made a beautiful place. In 1873 he married Evelyn R. Watkins of Danby, who bore him two daughters and one son. Mr. Loomis is a Republican, and a member of the Congregational church of Danby, and is recognized as a man of sterling worth in his town.

Leary, Frank H., was born in Ithaca, October 3, 1861, son of Cornelius Leary, a coal merchant, who has been a resident of this city for over forty years. Frank was educated at Ithaca High School and Cornell University, graduating from the latter in June, 1882. He began the study of law in 1879 with Perry G. Ellsworth, and was admitted to the bar in November, 1882. He has always been an earnest worker in the Democrat party, and was a delegate to the State Convention in 1889. He is the present chairman of the Democrat County Committee. He married, October 26, 1887, Helen I. Brenan of Au Sable Forks, Essex county, and they have two sons.

Little, John, was born July 30, 1812. His father, Robert Little, came from New Jersey in 1810, and was among the earliest settlers in the northeast part of the town of Danby, and in connection with Richard Van Etten bought a wood lot of 114 acres. He was educated in the common schools, but was soon forced to go to work clearing up his father's farm, the country being new. At the age of twenty-eight he married Lydia A. Hedges, who died in 1843, and afterwards Amanda Youngs, and they are the parents of two children. In 1843 he exchanged the old homestead farm with his brother for the farm where he now resides, having sixty acres of some of the best farm land in Danby. His daughter, Cora L., married in 1885, Frank D. Fuller, and they have one son and a daughter, Claude D., and Viola L.

Lamberson, Royal V., president of Cayuga Lake Salt Company, whose plant is located on the shore of Cayuga Lake at the mouth of Salmon Creek, and a resident of Ludlowville, was born in Allegany county, January 28, 1856. He is a son of Jeremiah Lamberson, formerly of Fairfield, Herkimer county. He was educated in the common schools until twelve years of age, when he went to Union School at Warsaw, where he remained three years. During his vacations he worked in a planing mill piling headings. At fifteen he entered a store as clerk; three years later went to Chicago, Ill., as clerk in a wholesale jewelry store, where he remained three years. One of these years he acted as traveling salesman. He then returned to Wyoming county and embarked in the cheese factory business. This he followed for seven years, at the expiration of which time he was sole proprietor of three factories. The first one he went in debt for. He next interested himself in the salt business, and with other gentlemen erected the Pearl Salt Works at Pearl Creek, N. Y., in 1884. Of these works he was superintendent, and five years later sold his interest to his partners. He then spent some time in search of a location for another salt plant. In 1891, in company with Mr. Oliver, he made a careful study of the geological survey and located the present site. The careful study and good judgment exerted by Mr. Lamberson in locating their present site clearly demonstrates him to be a master in his line. They immediately began operations by sinking their wells and erecting their offices, our subject as president, A. L. White, vice-president, W. W. Clute, secretary and treasurer. He married, in 1890, Jennie Herrington, of Rochester, N. Y., and they had one child, Jennie Louise, born June, 1892. He is a Republican, is a gentleman of high social standing. His ancestors were of the Mohawk Dutch and early settlers in America.

Lane, Mrs. Eliza, an old, well-known and highly respected lady, is a native of Lansing, born November 19, 1811, a daughter of Benjamin and Mary (Lowder) Shaver, natives of Germany and Pennsylvania respectively, who came to Lansing about 1809 and settled on what is called West Hill, where they reared a family of twelve children, Benjamin, Hannah, Sophia, Eliza, Phoebe, Martha, Lucy, Julia, Irena, Mary, George and Diana, all of whom grew to maturity except Benjamin, who died aged two years. Of this large family but three are left, Eliza, Irena, wife of Robert Lane, of Lansing; Diana, wife of John Van Marter, of Cayuga county. The parents died in 1854 and 1867 respectively. Daniel and Mary Lowder were the grandparents of our subject, on her mother's side. Mrs. Eliza Lane was reared and educated in her native town. She went to Allegany county and lived a year with her sister at the age of seventeen, during which she taught school six months, then returned home and engaged in spinning, at which she was an adept. The following year she began to learn the tailor's trade, receiving her board for her work. This trade she followed many years, spinning during the summer and tailoring during the winters. In September, 1831, she married William Lane, a native of Lansing, born September 22, 1810. He was a son of Daniel and Betsey (Robinson) Lane, of Long Island, who came to Lansing at an early date. Mr. Lane was one of thirteen children, and was of an enterprising and energetic nature. In 1832 his father gave him sixty-five acres of land, on which he and his wife settled. They were very prosperous, and Mr. Lane left at his death 525 acres of land. He always took an active interest in everything pertaining to the welfare of his town.

and county. He was a Republican, and was deacon in the Christian Church in Groton for twenty years, and was a man of sterling qualities, kind and generous, and at his death, which occurred March 12, 1877, a host of friends mourned him. Mr. and Mrs. Lane had four children: Delilah, born November 13, 1831, wife of Philip Schafer, of Genoa; Araminta, born June 2, 1838, wife of Leander Durfee, of Lansing; William Henry, born May 13, 1842; Daniel, born September 2, 1844. William Henry was drowned in the Missouri river on New Year's night in 1886, falling through an air hole while crossing the ice. Mrs. Lane's farm, where she now lives, is conducted by her son-in-law, Mr. Durfee. It consists of 200 acres, and is a well-equipped farm. Portions of the original large farm of 525 acres have been set aside at various times and given to her children.

Lormor, Jackson, was born in the town of Dryden, June 20, 1831, and was the son of Thomas Lormor, who came to the town of Dryden in 1812. Jackson Lormor was educated in the common schools, to which he has added through life by reading and close observation. At the age of twenty-four he married Martha J. Sperry, who passed away in 1863. In 1867 he married Lucy J. Sperry, daughter of Zina B. Sperry, and they are the parents of one son, Z. B. Lormor, who is now a student of elocution and vocal and instrumental music at the New England Conservatory of Music at Boston, Mass. In 1870 he bought the Sperry farm of eighty-two acres, having now 175 acres and raising hay, grain and stock. Our subject takes an active interest in temperance, educational and religious principles, and has been school trustee for six years. He is identified with advancing the best interests of his town, where he is recognized as a practical and successful farmer and a man of sterling worth.

Lormor, George W., was born in Newark Valley, Tioga county, January 2, 1840, and came to Dryden village in 1868, and in 1893 bought and exchanged village property for the D. S. Messenger farm of sixty seven acres, raising hay, grain and stock and making a specialty of dairying. George W. Lormor received his education in the common schools, to which he has added through life by reading and close observation. At the age of twenty-three he married Elizabeth Wilson, daughter of William Wilson, and they have one son, Harold W. He takes the Republican side in politics and has held various offices in the town, keeping well posted on the leading questions of the day, and identified in advancing the best interests of his town, where he is recognized as a man of sterling worth and high integrity.

Kerst, John, was born in Halseyville, August 1, 1843. He was educated in the public schools and has been a general merchant since the age of nineteen. In March, 1864, he enlisted in Company I, 6th Heavy Artillery, N. Y. Volunteers, and participated in the following battles: Wilderness, Laurel Hill and Spottsylvania Court House. He was honorably discharged from the hospital at Philadelphia for disability at the close of the war. February 15, 1861, he married Adeline Decker, formerly of Greene county, and they have three children: M. Loraine, Nettie P., and Mabel E. The former married John Jehu of Ludlowville; Nettie P. married Olin Miller of Jacksonville and has one daughter, Elizabeth A. Isaac, father of John Kerst, was born in Berks county, Pa., March 10, 1811, and came to Halseyville in 1835, where he acted as miller for

Judge Halsey for two years. He then went back to his former home, returning however, after two and a half years, and worked the mill on shares. In 1840 he married Catharine Belknap of this town, and they had eight children: Chauncey, William, John, Clinton, who died in infancy; Louisa J., Mary, George, and Frank. Mrs. Kerst died February 6, 1885. Isaac Decker, father of Mrs. Kerst, was born in Greene county and married Clarissa Thorpe of Greene county. Their seven children were: Justus, Daniel, Adeline, Frederick, Edwin, Emily L., and Thorpe. Our subject is a member of Sidney Post No. 41, G. A. R. of Ithaca.

King, Frank, was born in the town of Danby, October 13, 1815, and moved into Ithaca township about 1840. He was educated in the district schools and at an early age gave his entire attention to farming, buying several adjoining farms, until he now owns about 300 acres, all in one piece. Mr. King married, at the age of twenty-eight, Mary, daughter of George Everhart of Newfield, and they have five children, three sons and two daughters, now living at home. Mr. King is a Democrat in politics, and is at present serving as assessor, having also been trustee of the school for a number of years. He is a member of the State Street M. E. Church of Ithaca, to which he is a liberal supporter.

King, Charles F., was born in the town of Dryden, February 12, 1837. His father, R. C. King, came from the town of Lansing to Dryden in 1836 and bought farm lot 14, which he afterwards sold and returned to Lansing. Our subject was educated at the Groton Academy. At the age of thirty he was married to Melissa Snyder, daughter of Jeremiah Snyder, and they are the parents of one son, Nolan A., and one daughter, Maggie. He takes the Republican side in politics and is interested in educational and religious matters. In 1872 he bought the James Lormor property, and also the Alvah Carr property of eighty-seven acres, on which he raises large amounts of hay, grain, and stock, making a specialty of dairying. Our subject is a conservative and independent citizen, and is recognized as a practical and successful farmer.

Krum, Henry S., was born in the town of Caroline, March 12, 1839. He was the oldest of six children, and always remained at home with his parents until his marriage, at which time he moved to his present farm, which is located on the road from Slaterville Springs to Brookton and consists of sixty acres of fine farming land, for which he paid in 1860, \$6,000 in cash. In 1865 he married Mrs. Martha A. Landon, a widow, with one child, four years of age. They have never had any children. Mrs. Krum's daughter is now a teacher in Ithaca. Our subject is a Democrat in politics, and cast his first vote for Stephen A. Douglass. He has been commissioner of highways for three terms in succession. He is a Mason of Caroline Lodge No 681.

Knapp, Cyrus, was born in Greene county, N. Y., August 17, 1830, and came to the town of Dryden in 1834, with his father, Newcomb Knapp. Cyrus Knapp laid the foundation of his education in the old log school house, but is pre-eminently a self-educated and self-made man. At the age of twenty-eight he married Helen Wilson, daughter of Henry Wilson, and they are the parents of twelve children, six sons and six daughters. In 1860 Newcomb Knapp passed away and Cyrus inherited and purchased the homestead property. In 1874 he bought part of the Tyler estate, and in 1882 he

bought part of the Thomas Pew farm, having 143 acres on which he raises hay, grain, and stock, making a specialty of dairying and potatoes. Our subject is one of the leading farmers in his town, taking a deep interest in educational and religious matters. He has been assessor in his town for nine years and is a man of sterling integrity and high worth.

King, Edmund A., was born in Cayuga county in 1837, a son of Philander King, a native of Genoa, born in 1806. The grandparents, David and Rachel King, were natives of Pennsylvania, coming to Cayuga county about 1800. They had eight children, Philander being the second. The latter was a farmer, also a practicing physician at Genoa. His wife was Emeline Wightman, by whom he had eight children: David, Philander, Edwin A., Louisa, Rachel, Emma, Francis, and Addie. He died in 1889, and his wife in 1892. Edmund A. was reared to farm life, and attended the Ithaca Academy until about twenty-three, when he returned to Genoa in 1861, and engaged in the business of growing fruit. Here he lived until 1880, then bought the farm of 198 acres on which he now lives. He has fifty-three acres of grapes, twenty-four acres of plums, fourteen acres of peaches, four acres of raspberries, and a small portion devoted to general farming. In 1861 he married Mary Jennings, of Genoa, who died in 1869, and in February, 1871, he married Jane Jennings, sister of his first wife. She died in 1884. They had three children: Verne, born in 1872; Edmund A., jr., born in 1875; Mamie E, born in 1877, died in 1884. In 1886 Mr. King married third Mary Benson, of Lansing, by whom he has had two children: Mamie, born in 1887, and Claud, born in 1892. His oldest son conducts a fruit farm in Lansing, his wife being Etta Davis, daughter of Calvin Davis, of West Groton. Mrs. King is a daughter of Charles and Mary Benson.

Jefferson, Theodore T., an old and prominent resident of Lansing, was born in Ulysses in 1828, a son of Benjamin Jefferson, a boatman on Cayuga Lake, who married Betsey Cold, and had four children: Sanford, Clinton, Theodore T., and Marvin. His wife died in 1831, and he married second Sophia Earl, by whom he had four children: Alvira, Emeline, Adaline, and Firman, the latter killed in the Rebellion. Mr. Jefferson died about 1875. Theodore T. came with his parents to Lansing in 1839. He remained on the farm until the age of twenty, then engaged as boatman on the canal, between his place and New York city, following this about twelve years. He then returned to farming, which he has ever since followed. In 1876 he bought a place of eighty-eight acres to which he has since added, and now owns about 100 acres, the farm sloping towards Cayuga Lake. On this farm the Mormon, Brigham Young, lived in his boyhood days, attending the district school in the neighborhood. In 1848 Mr. Jefferson married Eliza, daughter of George and Margaret (Houtz) Bunnell, and they had three children, John, Frank, and Ida (deceased). Mrs. Jefferson died in 1891. John married Augusta Morey of Lansing, by whom he has one son, Clarence B. Frank was educated in the common schools, and has made his home with his parents. He and his brother bought the old homestead in 1886, and they make grape culture a specialty. In 1878 Frank married Lucy A. King, of Groton. Both Mr. Jefferson and his sons are Democrats.

Johnson, Frederick D., was born in the town of Ulysses in 1852, a son of Daniel, who was a native of Orange county, born in Newburg in 1818. He bought a tract of land about Taughannock Falls, where he built the first hotel at that resort, and where he made his home, dying in 1885. The mother of our subject, Sarah Lee, was a descendant of Jefferson Lee of Revolutionary fame. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were the parents of six children, five surviving. Our subject acquired his education in the common schools and the Ithaca Academy, and his first business venture was as proprietor of a general store at Jacksonville, which he conducted three years. In 1879 he came to Ithaca. He was for six months book-keeper for H. B. Tillottson, becoming the proprietor after his failure. For a number of years he conducted this store, then sold out and was engaged with Mr. Reed for four years. January 17, 1893, he became a partner with Sherman Collins in his shoe store on State street, where he is at the present time. Mr. Johnson is a Republican and in 1892 was elected alderman from the Fourth Ward. He is a member of Hobasco Lodge F. & A. M. In 1872 he married Marie S. Follet of Ulysses and they have two daughters.

Johnson, Theron, was born in Virgil January 20, 1847. His father, Philo Johnson, was one of the first settlers in that town. He was educated in the common schools and finished at Harford. At the age of thirty he married Mary Hollister, daughter of Hiram Hollister, and they are the parents of three children, two sons, Frank and Hollister, and one daughter, Anna. In 1879 he bought the S. D. Hamblin property of ninety acres, on which he resides, raising hay, grain and stock, and making a specialty of dairying. He takes the Republican side in politics and is always identified in advancing the best interests of his town. He is now treasurer of the Dryden and Groton Fire Insurance Company, the treasurer of the Willow Glen Cemetery Association and a director in the Dryden Agricultural Society, and is recognized throughout the town as a conservative and independent citizen and a practical and successful farmer.

Jamison, Jackson, was born in the town of Dryden, May 24, 1824. His father, Thomas Jamison, came from Orange county about 1800 and resided on the Cramer lot which he partially cleared up, but afterwards was dispossessed, and then bought a farm about a mile and a half south. He took part in the War of 1812, going in the place of one of his neighbors who was a married man and had a family to support. Our subject was educated in the common schools, finishing at the Dryden Academy. At the age of thirty he married Miss Sarah A. Lovinor, daughter of Thomas Lovinor. He takes an active interest in temperance principles and in educational and religious matters. In 1860 he bought part of his father's estate of ninety acres, also bought a wood lot on the old homestead farm. In 1867 he built a handsome residence, in which he now lives. He is known as a conservative, independent man, and a practical and successful farmer, making a specialty of fine grade sheep,

Jones, James W., was born March 16, 1826, in the town of Ithaca. He was educated in the district schools and Ithaca Academy under Professors Williams and Carr. After leaving he taught school for six years, then bought a farm, to which he has given his sole attention since. At the age of twenty-eight he married Susan Everhart, daughter of John Everhart of Newfield. He is a Republican in politics, and takes an active

interest in educational matters, having been trustee for a number of years. He has two sons and four daughters, who are all taking prominent positions in social and business life. Mr. Jones is a practical and successful farmer.

Judson, Stockton B., was born April 6, 1818, in the town of Danby, on the farm where he now lives, and where his father, Joseph, resided before him. The latter came into the town in 1797. Our subject was educated in the district schools, but from force of character and ability soon became one of the leading men of the town. At the age of thirty-eight he married Elizabeth M., daughter of E. L. Hills of Syracuse. Mr. Judson is a Republican, and takes an active and intelligent interest in the events of the time. He is the owner of a place of 184 acres, comprising some of the best farming lands in the town, and is a practical and successful farmer.

Jones, Heth T., was born in Ithaca, December 1, 1872, educated in the common schools, and finished at the Ithaca Academy, under Prof. S. D. Carr. Our subject is a Republican and has been inspector of elections for seven successive years, taking an active and intelligent interest in the leading events of the day. Mr. Jones has a farm of 170 acres on which he raises large quantities of grain and hay, the old homestead adjoining being also his property, he having bought the claims of the other heirs on the death of his father in 1887. He is a leading farmer in the neighborhood, and is recognized as a man of sound judgment and high ability.

Jenks, Anson L., was born in the town of Caroline, May 9, 1862, a son of D. B. Jenks, a native of Tioga county, who came to this locality in 1843, buying the farm now owned by Anson L. He married, fifty-one years ago, Nancy Lyman of Berkshire, Tioga county, by whom he had four children, our subject being the youngest. The latter has conducted the farm since he was seventeen years of age, his father having been an invalid for twenty-five years. He has made a specialty of raising blooded horses, and his farm is known as the Hillside Stock Farm. He has about forty head of cattle and six Percheron horses. His wife was Mary Blackman of Caroline, and they have one daughter, Anna M., now five years of age. Our subject is a Good Templar, a member of the Grange, and supports the Prohibition party.

Jarvis, William, was born in Lowestoft, Suffolk, England, December 9, 1841, the only living child of Henry Jarvis, a ropemaker of that country. Subject was educated in private schools and at fourteen years of age went as an apprentice to learn the boat and ship builder's trade with Samuel Sparrum, with whom he remained seven years, and then spent six years in Woolwich Navy Yard on government vessels. In 1869 he emigrated to this country. He first located in Watkins, N. Y., where for three years he had charge of the Morris Run Coal Company's boat yard. He was engaged in boat building in Watkins until the spring of 1874, when he removed to Ithaca and established a boat yard, principally for the construction of boats for the Cornell Navy. He has ever since been engaged here in the construction of row boats, sailing yachts, and all boats of that class. He also conducts a boat livery of forty boats. Mr. Jarvis married in his native land, Maria M. Smith, and they are the parents of four daughters: Eva F., wife of O. L. Stewart, Louise E., Beatrice and Florence.

Jacobs, Jesse, was born in Lansing, January 7, 1822, a son of Benjamin, a native of Pennsylvania, born March 29, 1775, a clothier by trade, who came to Lansing at an early day with his family. Here he cleared a farm, and remained until his death. He married Catharine Geist, born May 10, 1779, a native of Pennsylvania, by whom he had nine children: John, Betsey, Catharine, Richard, Benjamin, Mary, Sally, Israel and Jesse. He died October 7, 1858, aged eighty-three. His wife died May 10, 1871, aged ninety-two. Jesse was educated in the district schools and has followed farming all his life. When about eighteen he began for himself, working at farming until twenty-three, when he bought a piece of land for himself, and five years later traded this for a part of his present farm of ninety acres. In 1844 he married Sarah, daughter of Elias D. and Elizabeth (Sindelbox) Kent, natives of New Jersey. She was born in Lansing, in October, 1825, one of ten children. Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs have reared eight children: Henry C., born July 11, 1845; Catharine, born November 7, 1846; Calvin, born October 1, 1848; Elizabeth, born April 26, 1851; George, born March 17, 1853; Edson, born July 13, 1855; Mary, born May 1, 1860, and Ella, born April 14, 1869. Mr. Jacobs is a Populist in politics, and is known as a thoroughly upright man.

Hill, Elbert B., was born July 12, 1866, in the town of Danby, a son of Edward B., who died in 1885, and was one of the prominent men of the locality. Our subject was educated in the district schools, to which he added by reading and close observation, and on the death of his father he took charge of the farm where he now lives, and which contains, with his mother's estate, 209 acres of some of the best farming land in the town. He makes a specialty of Chester white swine and Oxforddown sheep, also raising large quantities of hay and grain. At the age of twenty-one our subject married Anna, daughter of Andrew J. Beers of this town, who bore him three children, one son and two daughters. He takes an active interest in educational and religious matters, being a member of the M. E. Church at South Danby.

Hamblin, S. D., was born in Albany county, April 18, 1818. He was educated in the district schools of Dutchess county, which he attended during the winter time, working summers on his father's farm. In 1835 he came to Tompkins county and settled near Dryden, and at the age of twenty-eight he married Almira J., daughter of James Toogood of the town of Dryden, and they were the parents of four children, three now living. He is a Democrat in politics, taking an intelligent interest in educational and religious matters. In 1886 he came to the town of Danby and bought the George Nourse farm of 244 acres, five years later exchanging this for property in Beloit, Wis., and in 1877 bought it back, and resides there at the present time. His crops consist chiefly of hay and grain, and the farm also supports a quantity of stock.

Hall, William L., was born in New York, October 16, 1844, was educated in the public schools, and finished his education in a boarding school. In that city he learned photography, and made several trips into the country, working at his favorite profession for others, also in the city. Finally he came to Trumansburgh, and some time afterwards bought a half interest in J. E. Lewis's gallery. He has passed through many changes and vicissitudes, but has always been successful in his undertakings. In the summer of 1893 he invented a new enamel process for printing photographs, which is

unsurpassed and will be found of much benefit to the trade. He has secured letters patent on this valuable invention, which will be a source of much revenue to him. He keeps one of the largest stocks of frames, manufactured by himself, in the place. He is also a very fine ornamental carver, and competes with the largest cities successfully. In 1868 he married Mary F. Allen of Trumansburgh, and they had two children: Henry St. Clair, and Elizabeth C. Mr. Hall's father was born in Woodstock, Ulster county, and at the age of seventeen became a school teacher. Later he entered a dry goods house in New York as clerk and afterwards as partner, becoming finally its sole proprietor. He married Cornelia Turner of that city, and these children were born to him: Elizabeth, Cornelia, William S. and Ogden H. He died aged forty-eight years, and his wife survives him, residing in Brooklyn. Our subject is treasurer of the Fire Department, is active in Republican affairs, and holds various offices in the several societies of the place.

Howell, Milo, was born in Lansing, March 4, 1846, a son of Alanson T., a native of New Jersey, born in 1800, who came to Lansing, and followed cabinet-making, carpentry, etc., for twenty-five years, then removed with his family to Great Bend, Pa. Ten years later he moved to Groton, and in 1868 to Ludlowville, where he spent the remainder of his life. He married Celesta, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Scutt) La Bar of Lansing, and they had twelve children: Hannibal, Darwin, Elizabeth, Wellington, Myron, Marion, Serena, Byron C., Jane, Tappan, Addison and Milo. He died in 1890, aged ninety years, and his wife died in 1882, aged seventy-six years. Our subject was educated in the common schools and Groton Academy, and learned the painter's trade. In 1863 he enlisted in the United States navy at New York city whence he was sent to the Pacific via Panama, to the flagship Lancaster, and with this ship he remained till the close of the war, cruising along the coast of South America, Mexico and California, under Captain Davenport, their chief work being the capture of pirates who had boarded the mail steamship San Salvador from Panama, with the intention of capturing it and turning it into a pirate ship. Mr. Howell received his discharge at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. He then returned home and engaged in painting, farming, etc., in Hector, then went to Cedar Rapids, Ia., where he was clerk in a hotel for two years. He returned to Lansing and was then engaged in railroad work in this State, Ohio and West Virginia. Again returning to farming, he remained seven years, then went again into public works, which took him to Kentucky, West Virginia, New York Harbor, Charleston Harbor and Greytown, South America. He remained at the latter place five months, but was obliged to return on account of fever contracted there. He started the first hydraulic dredge on the Nicaragua Canal, acting as superintendent for the Joseph Edwards Dredging Company, the United States Dredging Company and the North America Dredging Company. Returning again to Lansing he settled down to farming. In 1869 he married Ella, daughter of Abram and Frances D. Bower of Lansing. Mr. Howell is a Republican, and a Free Mason, also a member of the G. A. R.

Hamblin, James E., was born in the town of Dryden November 1, 1853. His father, S. D. Hamblin, was one of the prominent farmers of the town. James E. was educated in the common schools and finished at the Ithaca Academy. At the age of twenty-four he married Carrie, daughter of Z. Lupton, of Dryden, and they are the parents of

two daughters: Edna and Cora. In 1890 he bought the Robert Smiley property of ninety-four acres, raising hay, grain and stock, and making a specialty of dairying. He has rebuilt the house, barns and fences and has thoroughly changed the appearance of the property. Our subject is one of the leading men of his town, identified in advancing its best interests and recognized as a man of sterling worth and character, taking an intelligent interest in temperance, educational and religious matters.

Hiles, Andrew, was born in Dryden, February 20, 1824. His father, John Hiles, came from New Jersey in 1814, and settled on Fall Creek, moving from there to the foot of Dryden Lake and for years operating the largest saw mill in the town. He died in May, 1865. Andrew was educated in the common schools and at the age of twenty-five married Sarah H. Sweetland, and they have two children, Hiram D. and Frances A. In 1855 our subject bought of his father sixty-five acres, and in 1865 he inherited another portion of his father's estate. In 1872 he bought the George A. Sweetland farm of sixty acres, making 150 acres in all, on which he raises the regular farm produce, making a specialty of the breeding of grade fine wool sheep.

Hungerford, Amasa A., was born in the town of Sherman, Fairfield county, Conn., May 13, 1848, a son of Levi, a lawyer of Connecticut. The latter was a Republican in the State Legislature, and was at one time judge of probate. He was a lieutenant in the 28th Connecticut Regiment, and was wounded at Port Hudson, dying at Vicksburg in August, 1863. His only son was Amasa A., who was educated in the common school and was a drummer boy in his father's regiment for three months, going only as far as New Haven, when his father sent him home. December 11, 1863, he enlisted from the town of Danby, where he had come on a visit, and served till July 5, 1866, being discharged at Denver, Colo. He was in twenty-eight different engagements, and the most important part of his army life was in Hunter's raid, where they were the first troops to enter Lynchburg. After the close of the war he located in Ithaca, where he began the study of law under Judge Jerome Rowe, and afterwards was with Moses Crowe, being admitted to practice in January, 1871, at Albany. He began practice in Ithaca, where he has ever since been engaged, making a specialty of criminal cases. He was the attorney for the defense on the Blakesley case, and also on the Barber trial. Mr. Hungerford is a Democrat and has served several years as justice of the peace. He is a member of Sidney Post, G. A. R., and has always worked hard for the organization. He is also a member of the S. O. V. and of the Baptist Church. In 1867 he married Clara White, of the town of Lansing, and they have six children. Our subject's store was opened January 1, 1889, as a grocery and provision store, and is managed by his son-in-law, L. M. Rigby.

Hook, John, was born December 12, 1815, in Norwich Corners, Herkimer county, was educated in the common schools, and at the age of thirteen was put to work on the farm. When he attained his majority he married Mary L. Mitchell, of Edmeston, Otsego county, by whom he had two sons. Mr. Hook is a man of conservative and independent views, and a firm advocate of prohibition principles, being also interested in church and school. In 1861 he, in company with P. B. Crandall, bought the east side of what was known as the Purdy farm, which they divided between them, Mr. Hook retaining fifty acres, which comprises one of the finest fruit farms in New York State.

Hildebrant, Theodore, was born in New Jersey, November 19, 1820, and came to the town of Ithaca in 1822 with his parents. At the age of twenty-eight he married Mary, daughter of Sylvanus Kellogg, of Newfield, by whom he had one son, now at home. In 1857 our subject bought the farm known as the old Hildebrant farm of 100 acres, to which he afterwards added forty acres, and on which he now resides. He devotes his farm largely to dairying, producing about 175 quarts per day. He is a Republican and takes an active interest in educational and religious affairs.

Hazen, Blair A., was born in the town of Ithaca, May 18, 1833, educated in the common schools, and finished at the Ithaca Academy under Professor Carr. Upon leaving school he returned to his father's farm. He is a son of Allen B. Hazen, who came from Putnam county in 1832 and bought a farm on the Coddington road, consisting of 140 acres, where Blair A. was born, and which he now owns. At the age of twenty-five the latter married Caroline L. Downing, daughter of Thomas Downing, and they have two children, one now living, Fred D. Charles T. died, aged eleven years. Our subject is a Republican and takes an intelligent interest in the events and questions of the day. In 1879 he bought out the interests of the other heirs in the city property on Marshall street and rebuilt and beautified the grounds and house, having now a handsome and commodious home.

Hatmaker, Peter A., was born April 1, 1817, in Chestnut Hill, Northampton county, Pa. He first moved to Newfield, Tompkins county, and in the spring of 1867 moved into the town of Ithaca, buying the Daniel Seaman farm of ninety-five acres. He married Oraminta, daughter of David Atwater, of Trumansburgh, by whom he had a son and a daughter. He is a Democrat in politics, and takes an intelligent interest in the events of the day. Mr. Hatmaker has always lived on the same farm which he first purchased, and is recognized as a thoroughly practical farmer. When a boy his father sent him from Pennsylvania to find a suitable location to settle on. He made the journey on foot to Owego, and returned to Pennsylvania, taking the cars from Owego to Ithaca, and steam cars only reaching to Candor; the balance of the distance the cars were drawn by horses.

Hurlbut, Christopher, who since 1869 has held the responsible position of station agent at Groton village, and whose residence in the town dates back more than forty years, was born in Venice, Cayuga county, October 15, 1842. He was the oldest but one of six children of Nelson and Easter (Scott) Hurlbut, the parents being farmers in Venice and later on in Groton, but who afterward moved to Lake Ridge, where the mother died. The father went west, and died there in 1865. Christopher Hurlbut was brought up on a farm, but at the age of sixteen began to learn the blacksmith's trade. He served faithfully three years with William Allen, and afterwards worked as a journeyman in a carriage shop until he was twenty-one, when he came to Groton to work for Spencer & Son in the old Separator shops. August 14, 1861, Mr. Hurlbut enlisted as a private in Co. K, 137th N. Y. Volunteers, and served until the final muster out of the regiment, June 9, 1865. A large part of the time he was connected with the quartermaster's department. Returning to Groton he started a blacksmith shop in the village, and conducted it until 1869, when he was appointed station agent at the

opening of the Southern Central Railroad through the town. The next year he was appointed express agent, and has held that position continuously to the present time. December 20, 1859, Christopher Hurlbut married Charrotte A. Carpenter, by whom he has had four children, three of whom are still living. Mr. Hurlbut has been connected with some of the earlier industries of Groton village, beginning with the carriage works, then with the Separator Company, both of which have developed into industries of importance in this county. He has not only watched the growth of these enterprises, but has had an interest in their welfare, as also in everything that tends to build up and promote the welfare of the village.

Hazen, Harrison (deceased), was born in Covert, Seneca county, July 10, 1832. He was educated at the district schools, and married at the age of twenty-two Lydia A. Huff of the town of Romulus. He enlisted in the war in 1862 and received an honorable discharge in 1864; and he was a charter member of Sidney Post, G. A. R., of Ithaca. He has two sons and one daughter, one son dying at the age of five years, and the other now living on the homestead. The daughter, Mrs. James S. Stone, is now a resident of Chicago. Mr. Hazen was a Republican and was active in educational and religious matters. He was known throughout his neighborhood as a man of high integrity and whose word was above question. Mr. Hazen was private secretary to General Wietzel, and on the death of Adjutant-General Hubbard, Mr. Hazen was appointed to his place until the fall of Port Hudson, he being the first Union man to enter that town upon its surrender to the United States forces.

Hart, George H., was born in the town of Groton, September 17, 1846. His father, John P. Hart, was a native of New Jersey and came to Tompkins county in 1820, and followed farming and dairying. Our subject was educated at the common schools and afterwards took a business course at the Eastman College, Poughkeepsie. At the age of twenty-two he married Ellen M. Outt, daughter of John J. Outt, of Preble, Cortland county, and they are the parents of seven children, three sons and four daughters. He takes the Democratic side in politics and has been a member of the county committee for several years past. He takes an active and intelligent interest in church and school matters. In connection with Ogden Hart, he is the largest dealer and shipper of live-stock in Tompkins county, where he is recognized as an active, energetic business man, respected and selected by his townspeople to fill different positions of trust in the town.

Hart, John C., was born August 2, 1867, was educated in Ithaca, and finished under Professor Williams at the academy. He married Edna, daughter of Orrin Moffatt of Ithaca. Mr. Hart is a Democrat and takes an active interest in the political and educational events of the day. He carries on the old homestead farm of 103 acres, and makes a specialty of the milk business, handling about 241 quarts per day.

Higgins, C. B. was born in the town of Caroline, near the Center, November 30, 1823. Reuben, his father, was born in Cayuga county and followed farming, working in early life with his father, John, who carried on farming in Caroline. His uncle, Moses Reed, was one of the pioneers. Reuben moved finally to his farm located about a half mile north of Caroline Center, known as the Davis farm, consisting of ninety

acres, and here he died in March, 1889, aged ninety years, his wife dying two years later at the age of eighty-nine. They had nine children: C. B., Roxanna, John, Robert, Gilbert, Moses, Elizabeth, Mary, and Louisa. Our subject was the oldest of these children. He worked at shoemaking from fifteen till thirty years of age, and then took up farming which he has since followed, his place consisting of seventy-five acres, but he sold that farm, and bought the one he now occupies, which consists of about 221 acres. He has made a specialty of dairying. Mr. Higgins married first Eliza, daughter of Lathrop Wattles of this town, and second a Miss Robbins, whose father, W. C. Robbins, is a native of Caroline. By his first wife Mr. Higgins had two children: Frank and Clara, the former being in business in Cortland, and the latter a teacher of music in Binghamton.

Ham, George W., was born in Ithaca, July 7, 1823, and his occupation has been clerking and keeping a general merchandise store in this place. He conducted his store for two years, then began farming on his own land, which is situated in the town of Newfield, and consists of forty-six acres. August 13, 1844, he married Susan M. Earl of Ithaca, who died November 2, 1891, and they had six children, two daughters and two sons living, and two sons deceased, one having been drowned and one accidentally shot. M. Ham is a member of the Grange and has been collector, town clerk and inspector of elections. He is a Republican.

Holman, I. M., of Newfield, was born in this town May 18, 1852. John W., his father, was a native of Ulysses, born November 29, 1821, whose occupation has been farming, with the exception of a few years when he worked at wagonmaking. He is now retired. He married Laura A. Forsythe of Ulysses, and of their seven children our subject was the eldest. He has followed the occupation of his father, farming, and is part owner of the place they now work, consisting of eighty-seven acres. He is unmarried, is a member of Phoenix Lodge of the Grange, and was the town collector in 1886. In politics he is a Republican.

Harris, Nelson, who for more than forty years has been known and identified with some of the best business interests of Groton, was born in the town of Locke, September 24, 1825, one of ten children born to Howard and Melinda Harris. His father being a farmer, Nelson was brought up to that occupation. In 1852, with his brother, Leonard, Nelson came to Groton to work a tract of land, but after a year he purchased twenty acres and began for himself. Later on by the death of an uncle, Mr. Harris became the owner of a good farm located east of the village. After successfully working this property several years, it was rented and finally sold, after which Mr. Harris purchased eighteen acres of the village tract. About 1871, then being a village resident, Mr. Harris started a coal and lumber yard, which he carried on about eighteen years, then sold out and two years later engaged in the hardware business. This he also sold after about two years and retired from active business life, having, however, capital invested in the leading manufacturing enterprises of Groton, also in the First National Bank, of which institution he has been a director about twenty-five years. In 1852 he married Maria Harris, who died leaving no children. His second wife was Adeline Bothwell, by whom he has two children. Our subject has been a Whig and a Republican, and has been village trustee and is now one of the assessors of the town.

Hart, Charles Aaron, was born in Groton on the farm where he now lives, March 19, 1859, a son of John B. and grandson of Charles D. Hart, and the great-grandson of the pioneer, Amos Hart, better known during his lifetime as "Deacon" Amos Hart. This family are mentioned at length elsewhere among these sketches. Charles A. was the third of seven children born to John B. and Anne E. (Breed) Hart, and has always resided on his farm. He received his education in the common and Normal schools of Cortland. He married, June 22, 1882, Ella Josephine, daughter of Alanson and Maria Field, and they have three children: Grace Mildred, Anna Maria, and John B.

Horton, William H., of Newfield, was born January 27, 1833. His father, Henry, was born in Orange county, April 11, 1811, Joseph Horton, his father, being a native of Orange county also. Henry came with his father to Tompkins county in 1813, he then being two years old. His wife was Sarah Smith of Pennsylvania, and they had three children, our subject being the oldest. He has also followed farming, and has a fine place of 177 acres. December 3, 1863, he married Philena Nobles of Newfield, a daughter of Anson Nobles, and they have three children: Maude, who died, aged seventeen; Katie, aged twenty-three; and Blanch, aged fourteen. Mr. Horton is a member of the Grange, and a Republican.

Gifford, Gardner C., attorney, of Ludlowville, was born in Scipio, Cayuga county, October 17, 1825, the son of S. J. Gifford, who was born in New Bedford, Mass. At the age of twenty-one the latter came to Cayuga county, and married in 1824 Phoebe Chidister of Scipio, and they have one child, our subject. His wife having died in 1835, he moved to Calhoun county, Mich., where he died in 1880. The grandfather was a native of Saratoga county, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. Our subject was reared in the family of his grandfather Chidister, in Scipio, was educated in the district schools and Genoa Academy, and at the age of nineteen taught school, which he followed about four years. Returning home he went to farming, but soon abandoned it and in 1860 entered the law office of Wright & Pomeroy of Auburn, and was admitted to the bar June 9, 1864. From that time until 1875 he practiced in Aurora, Cayuga county, thence to Ludlowville, where he has ever since resided and practiced. He served as school commissioner four years, was justice of the peace thirteen years, and in 1863-4 was deputy county clerk of Cayuga county. In 1867 he was elected special surrogate of Cayuga county, holding this office three years. He married, October 17, 1850, Anna M., daughter of Richard and Mary E. (Haynes) Searing of Ledyard, Cayuga county, formerly of Long Island. They had two children: Mamie E., wife of Harry Bower of Ludlowville, and Charles S., born September 25, 1867. The latter having a taste for law, passed the required examination in 1887, at the age of twenty, and entered the first junior of Cornell Law School, graduating with his class in 1889. He was admitted to the bar in 1890, when he entered the office of D. M. Dean of Ithaca for a few months. In August, 1892, he went to New York, and there began practice.

Griswold, Clarence, was born in Spencer, Tioga county, January 28, 1861, and received his education in the common schools, finishing at the Cortland Normal School. At the age of twenty-two he married Adelaide Glazier, daughter of Joseph A. Glazier

of Cortland. Mr. and Mrs. Griswold have had four children: Earl, Grace, Ina and Iva. In 1890 he bought the Israel Hunting property on lot thirty-nine, comprising 115 acres, on which he raises hay, grain, etc., and makes a specialty of dairying. In politics our subject is a Republican, and has served in various town offices, being always identified with the best interests of the place.

Glenzier, John J., was born near Hesse Cassel, Germany, May 30, 1834, and came to this country in 1854. He learned the cabinetmaker's trade in his native land and followed that trade in New York city until November of that same year. That month he moved to Tompkins county, following his trade in Newfield until March, 1855. He was then employed by Justice Denning, and in 1859 became a partner under the firm name of Denning & Glenzier. This partnership existed until June 1, 1861, and then Mr. Glenzier embarked in the general grocery and provision business. The first store was located on the corner of West State and Westford streets, under the firm name of Glenzier & Kiper. In 1863 Mr. Kiper sold his interest to Samuel D. Sawyer, and the firm of Sawyer & Glenzier has become one of the most popular in the city. Mr. Glenzier is a Democrat in politics, and has held the office of alderman of the First Ward two years, and in 1876 was elected school commissioner of this district, and has held the office ever since. He is a member of the Congregational Church, in which he is a deacon. He is also a member of the Board of Health. He was married in 1865 to Antoinette Kiper, a native of Ludlowville, and they have no children.

Garrett, Charles C., was born in Ithaca, December 2, 1857, and is a son of Gilbert T. Garrett, for many years a boat builder of this town. Charles was educated in the public schools of this city, and after leaving school entered the West End Drug store. He became a competent pharmacist and for a number of years has been the head clerk in White & Burdick's drug store. He is prominent in the different Masonic organizations, and in January, 1893, was made the first assistant engineer of the Ithaca Fire Department.

Gardner, Ira M., was born on a farm in the town of Newfield, January 2, 1819, a son of Thomas S., a native of Newark, N. J., born April 12, 1789. The latter learned the cooper's trade, and in 1812 moved to Tompkins county and took up a farm of sixty-four acres in Newfield, the land being then a wilderness, and Mr. Gardner suffered all the hardships of a pioneer in making the place into a home. His first crops he carried nine miles to the village to be ground, and his first house was a log cabin, his second house being erected in 1835. He married in New Jersey in 1812, Abbey Earl, of Newark, and they had six children, only two now living: Aaron E., of Michigan; and Ira M., our subject. Thomas S. died June 14, 1851. The early life of Ira was spent on the homestead. At the age of seventeen he came to Ithaca to learn the mason's trade with Isaac Randolph, with whom he remained about nine years. In 1845 he began business for himself, and since that time he has built and been employed on many of the most important buildings of the city. He was the mason for the construction of the first two buildings of Cornell and was employed on Sibley College, also the Cascadilla Place, the Baptist Church, the Dunning Block, the Grant Block, Hibbard Block, also being employed in the construction of the Gas Works, the Water

Works and a large number of fine residences in this city. He is a Republican and was assessor in 1878-79-80. December 3, 1843, he married Mary A., daughter of Samuel Hill, a native of England, who came to this country in 1819 and settled in Ithaca. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner have had six children, three now living: Edward T., Mrs. George Pollay, and Emma, widow of Cassius Taber.

George, William F., was born in the town of Alexandria, Jefferson county, February 3, 1861, the oldest son of James J., also a native of that county. Our subject was educated in the public schools of Redwood, and at the age of eighteen went to clerk in the station of the Utica and Black River Railroad at Redwood. Three years later he started to learn the trade of glassmaker, first as helper, then gatherer, and rose to be a journeyman blower in 1884. In 1882 he removed to Ithaca, where he entered the employ of the Ithaca Glass Company, and then spent one season at Monongahela City, since which time he has resided in Ithaca. He is a Democrat, and in 1893 was elected alderman of the Third Ward, which office he now holds. He is the chief preceptor of Local Assembly No. 300, K. of L. In 1882 he married Jennie Pickert of Redwood, and they have five children. In 1883 Mr. George established a store at 51 Hancock street, which he still conducts, the stock consisting of groceries and provisions, bake-stuffs and workingmen's clothes.

Gray, Almon, was born in Connecticut February 19, 1824, and came to Tompkins county in 1851. His father, Rufus Gray, came in 1849 and settled on lot seventy-five. Almon Gray laid the foundation of his education in the common schools, but is a self-educated and self-made man. At the age of twenty he married Sarah, daughter of Robert Lawrence of Patterson, Putnam county. In 1886 he bought the Wesley Hurd property of 133 acres, raising hay, grain and stock. Our subject, in connection with his father, has been a prominent contractor and builder, erecting some of the finest buildings in the town. He takes the Republican side in politics, and an active intelligent interest in school and church affairs, having been connected with the Ellis Hollow M. E. church for forty years. He takes a prominent part in the events of the town, and is known as a man of sterling worth and high integrity.

Graves, the late Orange S., was born in Delaware county, N. Y., July 4, 1804, and was educated in the public schools, coming to Seneca county with his parents at the age of ten years. September 18, 1842, he married Mrs. Sarah Hopkins of Trumansburgh, whose maiden name was Pease, and they had three daughters: Julia, now Mrs. Gregory of Ithaca; Frances, now Mrs. Leggett, of Covert; and Laura H., now Mrs. Gillett of Ithaca. Mr. Graves died April 11, 1873. Mrs. Graves's first husband was John S. Hopkins of Ithaca, by whom she had one daughter who died in infancy. Mr. Hopkins died in October, 1841. Sylvanus, father of Orange S. Graves, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. Mr. Graves moved from Seneca to Trumansburgh about 1850.

Galloup, Ernest G., the enterprising and well known merchant of McLean, was born in Farmer, Seneca county, November 23, 1849. He was the son of William and Elizabeth Galloup, and the second of their five children. Ernest learned the druggist's trade in the store of his uncle at Lodi, with whom he worked three years. In 1871 he

came to McLean, where he opened a drug store, and in the course of the next five years added teas and coffees and a few groceries, which was followed a few years later by a full line of the latter, together with other merchandise, and for better accommodations moved to his present location in 1880. He also dealt extensively in coal, plaster and phosphates, but in 1880 discontinued the latter branch and became a general undertaker and funeral director. Mr. Galloup also handles annually thousands of fence posts. He is one of the trustees of McLean M. E. Church, and for ten years has been superintendent of the Sunday school. In 1873 Mr. Galloup married Miss J. J. King, daughter of B. D. King of Moravia, and they had one child, Bera, who died at the age of nine years. Our subject is interested in local and county affairs and is a strong Republican. He has been delegate to the county conventions and has also served as county committeeman for his town.

Gould, Lotan H., was born in Trumansburgh, December 19, 1850. He was educated in the public schools and Trumansburgh Academy, and in early life assisted in his father's planing mill, and finally succeeded to the business. He is now a contractor and builder, and his business is expanding and prosperous. February 19, 1875 he married Julia F. Ash, formerly of Fairfield, Conn., and they have two children: Lotan E., and Grace D. Mr. Gould's father, Joseph, was born in Hector, Schuyler county, July 28, 1821, and was a contractor and builder. December 1, 1847, he married Emeline G. Pease of Trumansburgh, and they had one son, Lotan H. Mr. Gould died July 23, 1879, and his wife resides with her son. The grandfather, Abel, was born January 23, 1798, in Greenfield, Conn. Mr. Gould is a member of Trumansburgh Lodge No. 157, F. & A. M. Mr. Gould's grandfather, on his mother's side, Allen Pease, was born in Enfield, Conn., June 18, 1792, and came to this region at an early day. Mr. Gould's great-grandfather, Simeon Pease, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War.

Gale, William, an early settler of Groton, came from Fairfield county, Conn., and married Polly Welch, who bore him these children: John P., Betsey, James, Maria, Peter B., Samuel S. and Hannah. Mrs. Gale died August 16, 1822, in Locke, the family having moved to Cayuga county. The second wife of William was Lydia Smith, by whom he had these children: Zenas S., who died in October, 1883; William W., Mary and Eliza, who died young; Thirza Jane, wife of C. B. Green; Amelia D., now in Michigan; Manly P. and Mary E., wife of Daniel McIntosh of Locke. William Gale died April 11, 1850, and his wife March 13, 1872. Manly P., son of William, was born in Groton April 5, 1835, and until sixteen years of age lived on the farm. In 1851 he came to Groton and learned the trade of wagonmaking with B. & J. Williams, and since that time has been connected with this important industry in the village, being now a contractor for certain work in connection with the Groton Carriage Company. His partner is F. B. Sawyer, the firm name being Gale & Sawyer. Mr. Gale has served his town in various offices, notably those of trustee and member of the Board of Education. September 16, 1858, he married Mary M., daughter of David Backus, and they have two children; Ella and Walter, the latter a clerk in the First National Bank of Groton, and also one of the shoe firm of Stevens & Gale of this village. Ella Gale was educated at the Groton Academy and Union School and graduated from the Cortland Normal School. She taught school for six months on Long Island and for eight and a

half years in Moravia. In the fall of 1892, as a candidate of the Prohibition party Miss Gale was elected county school commissioner of the second Tompkins county district, and she qualified and entered on her duties January 1, 1893.

Francis, Gilbert, son of Pioneer Richard Francis, was born in Groton (on Jackson Hill) July 17, 1826, was brought up to farm life and work, and except for a few terms spent in teaching school, has devoted his whole attention to agricultural pursuits. At the age of twenty-one he began for himself, but the greater part of his his life has been spent on the old home farm. In 1889 Mr. Francis married Lucinda Tyler of Richford, and they have one son, Gilbert Tyler Francis. In politics he is a Republican, and was once elected justice of the peace, but not desiring the office declined to qualify. He is connected with the McLean Universalist Church, and has held the office of trustee therein.

Hall, John L., was born February 10, 1844, in the town of Danby and was educated in the district school, to which he has added by reading and close observation. He married at the age of twenty-two Fannie M., daughter of Almond Pitts, of East Charleston, Tioga county, Pa., by whom he has had two children, a son and a daughter. He is Republican in his political views, and has held the office of school trustee for eight years. In 1868 he bought a farm of 100 acres where he now lives, and on which he raises large quantities of grain, hay and stock. Our subject is known as a conservative man of high principles and as a man who takes a great interest in the welfare of his town, being one of the leading members of the old Farmer's Club, of which he was presiding officer for several years.

Fulkerson, Samuel C., was born in West Dryden, July 19, 1823. His father, Chapman Fulkerson, was born in New Jersey and came to the town of Lansing with the first settlers. He came to Dryden about 1812 and was drafted in the war of that time, but being a married, sent a substitute and taking his own team to draw provisions for the continental army, and assisting in various ways. Samuel C. was educated in the common schools to which he has added through life by reading and close observation. At the age of twenty-six he married Lucinda Hill, daughter of Joseph Hill, of Dryden, and they are the parents of five children: three sons and two daughters, James, Joseph and Elias and Sarah and Esther. In 1852 he bought the Andrew Hill property of 100 acres, which he exchanged for Wm. Minah's in 1864. In 1871 he bought the R. J. Lany homestead which he now occupies. In 1889 he bought sixty-eight acres of the Oliver Cady estate and he also owns a farm of sixteen acres in Marion, Linn county, Iowa. Our subject is one of the prominent men of his town being recognized as a man of sterling worth and integrity.

Fowler, Eli, deceased, was born near Cayuga Lake in the town of Ulysses, February 22, 1819. He was educated in the schools of that day and was a teacher and farmer. February 12, 1843, he married Mary M. Carman, formerly of Orange county. She came here with her parents when five years of age, and Mr. and Mrs. Fowler had two children: Elizabeth and George H. Miss Fowler lives at home, and the son, who resides at the Falls station, married Flora Wilcox, and has two children. Mr. Fowler died October 6, 1885. Mrs. Fowler's father, John Carman, was born in Orange county,

and married Bethia Bloomer, of his native county. Ten children were born of this union, as follows: Robert, William, Anna, Haschel, Cornelius, George, Andrew, Martha, Caroline and Mary M. Mr. Carman died about 1867, and his wife the same year. Mr. Carman's father, John C., was a soldier in the Revolution.

Farmer, William E., was born in Steuben county, September 19, 1841, and has lived in Newfield since infancy. He worked at his trade of harnessmaking for ten years, then engaged in the hardware business in 1871, which he has conducted ever since, being the oldest firm on the street, having a very large store, and carrying everything in the hardware line. In 1868 he married Thirza Westmiller, of Lansing, and they have two children: Myrtie M. and Maude A. Our subject has served as town clerk for seven years, and has also served on the School Board. In politics he is a Democrat.

Fuller, Wilson A., was born in Delaware county, December 1, 1830. He was educated in the public schools, but owing to the death of his father when Wilson was nineteen, he and his mother moved to this section, where he had a variety of occupations, and finally learned the painter's trade, which he followed many years, but for ten years has been a retail grocer. He married, in 1851, S. Antoinette Teed, of Trumansburgh, by whom he had one son, Truman R., who resides in New York. Mrs. Fuller died in 1882, and he married second Anna Daley, of Auburn, who died in 1889. In 1861 Mr. Fuller enlisted in Company F, 75th N. Y. Volunteers, and was promoted second sergeant. Through losses in nineteen battles the regiment was consolidated into a battalion, and he was made orderly sergeant. He participated in all the battles and was honorably discharged at the close of the war.

Fish, George, was born in Groton, Conn., in 1798, and at the age of nineteen came to this town, where he married Clarissa, daughter of Richard Francis, a lady noted for her influence for good in the community. Their children were: Harriet and Clarissa, both of whom died young; Hobart, who moved to Wisconsin; Mary, who married Samuel Crittenden; Lucinda, who married George H. Mineah; James, who died in 1863; and Edwin. George Fish was an influential man in public affairs and died in 1882, his wife some years later. For several years he was supervisor, poormaster, etc., and was a strong Whig and Republican. On the occasion of the raising of the frame for the mill at La Fayette, Mr. Fish was called upon to christen the building, in accordance with the customs of the period. This happened on the day on which the Marquis de La Fayette was at Auburn, and being fired by the spirit of the occasion he named the mill the "La Fayette." Edwin Fish was born in Groton, March 20, 1839, worked on a farm till 1861, and in September of that year enlisted in Company C, 76th Regiment, and was promoted to sergeant. He served twenty months and was then discharged on account of disabilities contracted at the south. For three years he lived in Iowa, and then returned to this town, where he has lived since. June 1, 1870, he married Rowena E. Dean, and they have one child, Gilbert Francis Fish.

Fish, Charles H., was born in the town of Enfield, May 4, 1832. He was educated in the public schools and learned the mason's trade, which he has followed most of his life until he retired two years ago. January 5, 1854, he married Lorinda Terry, of

Trumansburgh, and they have eight children: Lucy C., Lizzie, Cora M., Bertha K., Charles B., Kittie T., Fra and A. De Vere. Lucy C. married George Northrup; Lizzie married Henry Weed, and has one daughter, Lola; Bertha K. married Arthur D. Stout, of Farmers; Fra married Charles Voorhees of Elmira, and has two children, Hamilton and George. Mr. Fish's father, John R., was born in Delaware county, April 23, 1805, and married Charlotte Harvey, of Enfield, and had seven children: Lydia, Marinda, Charles H., Reuben H., J. Corey, Rosina and Florence B. In September, 1863, Charles H. enlisted in Company M, 21st N. Y. Calvary, was wounded near Martinsburg, in the Shenandoah Valley, and was honorably discharged at the close of the war.

Freeman, Lyman D., was born in the village of Etna, July 3, 1823. His father, Thomas D. Freeman, was among the early settlers. Our subject was educated in the common schools, to which he has added through life by reading and close observation. After leaving school he learned the trade of carding wool and dressing cloth. But for the past thirty-nine years he has engaged in the business of moving buildings, and his reputation soon became so well established that his services were in demand over the entire county. He is deeply interested in temperance principles and educational and religious matters. In 1869 he bought what was known as the Robt. McCutcheon property of thirty-one acres. In 1882 he bought the Michael Van Derhoff property of forty acres. In 1854 he bought a building in Etna of Harvey H. Harris and erected a fine house, where he now resides. At the age of thirty-seven he married Catherine, McCutcheon, daughter of Robt. McCutcheon, and they are the parents of one son, Orria R. Freeman. Our subject is known throughout his town as a man of unswerving integrity, a man whose life has proven his word to be as good as his bond.

Fish, Cary B., was born in the town of Danby, July 28, 1865. John B. Fish, the father of our subject, was also a native of the county, born in Enfield June 11, 1829, and he followed farming nearly all of his life. He died December 16, 1892. He was the father of two sons, Dr. Wilbur G. Fish of Ithaca, and Cary B., our subject. The boyhood of the latter was spent in Danby and he was educated in the common schools, the Ithaca High School and Cornell University, graduating with the degree LL. D. in the class of 1889. He was with J. A. Ellston for four or five years, and in December, 1892, he opened an office on the second floor of 22 State street, where he has since been in practice. In politics Mr. Fish is a Republican and was clerk of the Board of Supervisors during the years '88 and '89. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, Fidelity Lodge, Eagle Chapter, and Ithaca Council, St Augustine Commandery and of the Damascus Temple of Rochester. Mr. Fish practiced a year in Denver previous to opening an office here.

Force, Albert W., was born in Bergen county, N. J., April 29, 1834, a son of Edward B. Force, a manufacturer of woolen goods, who died when Albert was sixteen years old. The latter came to Seneca county to serve an apprenticeship at the wagonmaker's trade, which business he followed for seven years, and in 1861 he moved to Trumansburgh, working at boat building until 1865, and then went into a machine shop, where he remained until 1870, when he moved to Ithaca and filled the position of foreman with the Ithaca Agricultural Works for fifteen years. He has followed various employ-

ments since that time, spending the last four years in the store of Collins & Johnson. Mr. Force has been prominent among Masons in this county since June, 1855, his initiation having been in Farmer Lodge No. 183 in Seneca county. He has passed all the chairs in the Blue Lodge Chapter, Council and Commandery. December 28, 1858, he married Eliza J. Hopkins of Farmer, and they have two children: Edward B. of Waterloo, N. Y., and Anna Force.

Francis, Jonathan, came with his family from Vermont in 1818 and settled in the town of Danby, later removing to Ithaca, where he became a merchant and general trader, but was drowned in 1836 at Kidder's Ferry. Of their seven children, six were born in this county, the oldest, Charles C., being a native of Vermont, born in May, 1818. His early life was spent in assisting his father at his work, but at the age of fifteen he became a boatman, which pursuit he followed more or less until 1848. During his young life Mr. Francis had become acquainted with David Stoddard, a pioneer of Groton, hence after the death of Jonathan Francis, and also of his own wife, Charles C. was induced by Mr. Stoddard to become a resident of Groton in 1849, and on May 31 of that year he married Irena Stoddard, by whom he had two children: Maria, wife of Dr. Gibbs; and David W., of Groton. His first wife, whom he married in 1842, was Maria Davenport, by whom he had two children, Orrie A. and Laura. His first wife died in 1848. Mr. Francis, during his long residence in Groton, has been regarded as one of the most enterprising of its citizens. He has never been active in political life, and in his views sides with the Prohibitionists.

French, Mrs. Sarah (Bowker), is a native of Lansing, born in January, 1838, a daughter of Madison and Sallie (Davis) Bowker, also of this town. Mr. Bowker was born March 23, 1808, and when a young man bought the farm of forty acres at Beardsley Corners (now North Lansing), where he kept hotel for several years, also conducting a grocery store. He had three children: William, deceased; Margaret, wife of John H. Ingersoll, of Iowa; and Sarah, our subject. Mr. Bowker died in 1838, aged thirty years. His wife survived him many years, and died in 1883 at the age of seventy-four. John Bowker, grandfather of Mrs. French, was born in Ulster county in 1771, and came to Lansing with his two brothers, Joseph and Noah, bringing their provisions on their backs from Owego. They cut and cleared away on the land where they settled, building themselves a log cabin, and when their stock of provisions was exhausted they had to walk to Owego for more. John bought one hundred acres of the State (where A. J. Brink now lives), where he spent the remainder of his days, growing into prominence in his town. He was the first justice and constable in the town of Milton, and was also supervisor. He was twice married. By his second wife, Jerusha Robinson, he had twelve children, and at his death, in 1855, he had 140 children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The great-grandparents of our subject were Silas and Esther (Hubbs) Bowker, of Massachusetts, the former a Revolutionary soldier. The Bowker family is of Welsh ancestry. Sarah Bowker married in 1853, Johnson French, a native of Oswego county, born in 1832, a son of Thomas and Polly (Bull) French, of Canada, and they had two children: Ida, born October 26, 1857, died March 12, 1883; and Edward, born March 14, 1861. Mr. French was a farmer, and the last years of his life went to Pennsylvania to visit the oil regions, where he con-

tracted a fever. Returning home he died seventeen days later (in February, 1863.) For many years Mrs. French conducted the farm alone, until her son was old enough to assist, and later to take charge of it. In 1886 she bought her sisters' interest in the homestead, and removed to this farm where she and her son have since resided. Mrs. French is a member of the North Lansing Baptist Church, in which she is an active worker.

Eagles, Joseph Dunlap, was born in Waterloo, Seneca county, January 18, 1837. He was educated in the High School of his native town, and at sixteen years of age began an apprenticeship with C. Bellew, the celebrated painter, and was with him for nearly five years in portrait and landscape painting. He was with Shultz for a year and a half. In 1860 he opened a photograph gallery in Waterloo, which he conducted in that town until 1865. He has been located in Auburn, Buffalo, Rochester, Detroit and Philadelphia. In 1875 he located in Ithaca, where he has ever since been engaged. In the fall of 1893 he removed to the opposite side of the street from where he had built a gallery, and is now engaged in the photographic supply business, catering to the amateur photographers of the University.

Ellsworth, Perry C., was born at Saratoga Springs, May 20, 1818. After having taken a preparatory course in the common and graded schools he entered Union College, from which he graduated in 1838. He had, from the age of thirteen, been a fixture of the law office, and after leaving college spent two years as a student with one of the leading lawyers of Saratoga county. He was admitted to practice in 1840, and until 1844 conducted business at home. That year he removed to Florida, but returned in 1845 to this State and settled in Plattsburg, where he acquired the prominent reputation as a jurist that caused his election to the office of judge of Clinton county for two terms. His health failing in 1863, he settled on a farm near Madison, where he lived until 1870, the year of his settlement in Ithaca, where he has since followed the practice of his profession. He married in 1849, Chloe A. Deming, of Burlington county, Vt., who has borne him five children, four now living.

Davis, Samuel L., a life resident of Lansing, was born in Lansing, November 19, 1839. He is the son of Llewelyn Davis, also a native of Lansing, born in November, 1816. The grandparents were Samuel and Margaret Davis, formerly of Pennsylvania, of Welch and Dutch ancestry. They were among the pioneer settlers of Tompkins county. They raised eight children, William, John, Joshua, Joseph, Isaac, Samuel, Llewelyn and Sally. Llewelyn, the father of our subject, married Mary Osmun, who was born November 24, 1815, daughter of Jacob L. Osmun, of Lansing, and they had four children: Jacob L., Samuel, Isaac and Ariminta, who died in infancy. The father died in 1861 and the mother in February, 1844. Our subject attended the common schools of his neighborhood and the Ithaca Academy one term. He remained on his father's farm until 1863, when he, with his brother Isaac, purchased the farm of 110 acres, where he has ever since resided. They now own 280 acres. He married in April, 1863, Emma S., daughter of John Bloom, of Genoa, and they had one son, Llewelyn B., who died in infancy. His wife died in August, 1864. Mr. Davis married in 1872, Abigail L., daughter of Erastus D. and Mary (Cummings) Shaw, of Groton.

Her grandparents were Benjamin and Sarah Shaw, natives of Vermont. They came to Tompkins county in 1816. Mrs. Davis's grandparents Cummings, were Gurdon and Abigail (Pettis) Cummings, from Connecticut, and came to Tompkins county in 1812. Mrs. Davis is one of seven children: Daniel J., of Wesica, Minn.; Abigail L., Mary E., wife of C. H. Cummings, of Groton; Ella A., Emma, died at seven years; Ida, wife of H. S. Bradt, of Groton; Rhoda, died at four years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have one child, Ruby A., born December 16, 1877. Mr. Davis is a member of the Lansingville Grange and is a Republican. Isaac Davis, a brother and partner in business of our subject, was born in July, 1842. They live together and have farmed it ever since they left the old homestead farm. Llewelyn, father of our subject, married second Mary Ward, of Lansing, April 30, 1846, and they have had one child, Arminta, born January 2, 1847, wife of Theodore Swayze, of Lansing. The mother died December 4, 1849. His third wife was Lydia B. Shaw, whom he married in February, 1851, and they had two sons, Frank L., born July 1, 1853, and Edwin F., born April 28, 1856. She died in October, 1891.

Durling, J. J. Ayres, was born in the town of Ithaca, March 17, 1838, a son of Aaron Durling, who was born in Ulysses in 1809. The father of Aaron was Garret Durling, one of the earliest settlers of the county. Aaron came to Ithaca in 1830, and after learning his trade he followed it the balance of his days, dying June 6, 1886. Our subject was educated in the common schools and in the old Lancasterian Academy, after leaving which he learned the painter's trade, which he followed sixteen years. In 1872 he entered the employ of Johnson Brothers, where he remained five years. In 1877 he opened a general store at Jacksonville, which he conducted successfully for ten years and then returned to Ithaca, where he built a large store and stocked it fully with groceries and provisions of all kinds, dry goods, drugs, boots and shoes, etc. Mr. Durling has always been an active worker in the Republican party, but never was a candidate for office. May 8, 1860, he married Sarah L. Barnes, daughter of Samuel Barnes, a shoemaker in the village of Varna, town of Dryden.

Drake, Henry B., an old and highly respected resident of Lansing, was born May 16, 1820, a son of Freeman Drake of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. The grandfather was Fufers Drake, also a native of the latter town, where he died. About 1808 Freeman came and settled in Lansing, being a carpenter by trade, and a farmer. He married Catharine, daughter of General Henry Bloom of Lansing, a veteran of the war of 1812, and they had ten children. He died May 12, 1862, and his wife in March, 1861. Henry B. was reared on the farm, received a common school education, and at the age of nineteen began farming, working for nine years for his uncle. In 1848 he bought the farm of 125 acres where he now lives, to which he has also added until now he owns 187 acres. He has been very successful in agriculture, and has acquired more than a competency. He has always been a staunch temperance advocate. In 1845 he married Lucinda, daughter of Daniel and Catharine (La Bar) Teeter, of Lansing. Mr. and Mrs. Drake have no children of their own, but have adopted two: John, born January 31, 1869, and Jennie N., born January 4, 1871, both children of his deceased brother, Lewis J. Drake.

Elyea, Horace, was born in the town of Danby, on the farm where he now resides, April 6, 1822. He acquired his early education in the district school, and on leaving school went back to his father's farm, which afterwards came to him through his buying out the other heir, and here he now resides, having built new barns and a beautiful house on the west side of the main road. He is a Republican in politics, and has served in various offices in the town, having been collector and assessor for the past six years. He has nearly 100 acres of fine farming land, and is one of the town's prominent men. He makes a specialty of dairying, the produce being about 200 quarts per day. In 1865 he married Francis Nelson, daughter of William Nelson, of Danby, and they have had five children, two sons surviving.

Emmens, Daniel, was born in Ithaca, November 9, 1818, and has passed a lifetime on the farm on which he now resides. He was educated at the district schools, but at an early age devoted himself to farming. He married at the age of twenty-two Delilah McCutchen, daughter of Robert McCutchen, by whom he had one son, Theodore, who now lives on the farm with him. The wife of Mr. Emmens died in April, 1877, and he married second Orvilla McCutchen. Mr. Emmens is a Republican and takes a deep interest in educational and religious matters, being a regular attendant at the M. E. Church at Varna, to which he gives liberal support. He is known and recognized in his neighborhood as a successful farmer.

Drake, N. Eugene, was born in the town of Newfield, September 10, 1854, a son of William H., also a native of this county, born September 6, 1825. He was a farmer and lived in the town of Newfield until thirty years of age, when he removed to Enfield, where he still resides. His wife was Sarah Henry, of Irish descent, born July 18, 1830, and died August 3, 1856, leaving two children: Joseph H., a carpenter of Cleveland, O., and Eugene. The latter was educated in the common schools and assisted his father on the farm until the age of twenty-one, after which he was for two years employed in wagonmaking in Newfield. In 1878 he came to Ithaca, engaging with S. C. Wattles in his produce store, where he remained four years. He was with George W. Frost for over three years, after which, in company with James Mitchell, he established a general grocery and provision store at 67 East State Street. The firm of Mitchell & Drake existed about eighteen months, and then Mr. Mitchell sold his interest to Herbert B. Townsend. Drake & Townsend conducted business till March 6, 1892, and Mr. Drake bought his partner's interest and has since conducted the business alone. He is one of the leading grocers of the city, carrying a line of staples, and also dealing in fruit. He has been a member of Ithaca Lodge I. O. O. F. since 1893 and is also a member of the Fire Department. In 1883 he married Jennie Card, daughter of Timothy Card of Candor.

Dale, Alfred D., was born in Portsmouth, Hampshire county, England, February 15, 1830, educated in the public schools and under private instruction in his native country. At fifteen he went to learn the carpenter's trade, which he followed five years in England. In 1845 he came to this country and located in Ithaca, where for four years he was employed as a journeyman carpenter, then going into business for himself which he conducted twenty years, the first man to pay cash for labor in this

city. He always had a natural tact for drawing, and spent a year with I. G. Perry, superintendent of architecture of the State capitol; and as Ithaca at that time had no architect, in 1870 he established an office there, which he has ever since conducted. Mr. Dale was the designer of the Masonic Hall, Sprague block, Wilgus block, Journal block, the Gregg block, Titus block, the Ferrey and Bates block; the first High school building he planned, and many stores, residences, etc. He is a member of the Democratic party, and is now serving his fifth year as an assessor, in which office he has won the respect and admiration of the community by his impartiality and honesty. He married in 1853, Julia A. Whitlock, a native of the town. Mr. Dale is a member of Fidelity Lodge No. 71, F. & A. M., Eagle Chapter, and St. Augustine Commandery.

Dean, Oscar K., was born in Jacksonville, educated in the public schools, and before the war was a tinsmith. August 5, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, 109th N. Y. Volunteers, and was in the department of the Army of the Potomac. He was wounded in the battle of Hatcher's Run, October 27, 1864, his right arm being amputated on the field. He was afterwards in Howard Hospital, Washington, D. C., and was honorably discharged for disability, January 14, 1865. March 13, 1872, he married Addie Folett, of Ulysses, and they had one daughter, Edith R. Mrs. Dean died May 15, 1888. William C., father of Oscar, was born in Connecticut in 1803 and came here when a young man. He married Sallie B. Smith, formerly of his native county, and they had nine children: Amy, Beverly S., Hattie E., Emily E., Julia F., William E., Alden, Oscar K., and Chauncey. He died November 13, 1876, and his wife December 22, 1889. Beverly Smith, grandfather of our subject, was a soldier in the war of 1812.

Dorsey, Mrs. Adel, was born in Washington, D. C., in 1852, her maiden name being Thornton. She came north in 1870, locating in Lodi, Seneca county, and afterwards in North Hector, coming to Trumansburgh in 1871. The same year she married George P. Dorsey of Trumansburgh, and they had six children: Lottie, who died aged nineteen years; Mary J., Ella M., Leona, who died in infancy, Walter P. and Nancy. Mrs. Dorsey, through her own well directed and continuous efforts has paid for a comfortable home in Trumansburgh.

Dumont, Waldron B., was born in Cairo, Greene county, December 15, 1810, was educated in the common schools of that day, and has always been a farmer. He came to Seneca county at an early day, and to Tompkins county in 1857. About the year 1859 he married Melinda M. Van Duser of Trumansburgh, by whom he had two sons and a daughter: Frederick S., who died in 1873; Belle, who died in 1873; and Charles, a mechanic in Weedsport. Mrs. Dumont died April 29, 1892. Walter, father of W. B., was born at the old home about 1775, and married Halsey Smith. They had six children: John, Elizabeth, Mary, Frederick, Waldron B. and William. He died about 1848 and his wife about 1852. The ancestry of the family is French, German and Dutch.

Darling, Reuben, was a native of New Hampshire, and from that State served as a musician (fifer) in the War of 1812-15. In the course of his army experience he became acquainted with the fertility of the land in Central New York, hence after the close of the war he came to Moravia and thence to Groton, settling at Peruville, where

he worked at his trade (cabinetmaker) about twenty years. He then bought a farm, a part of the extensive farm now owned by his son Lyman, and here resided until his death. His wife was Frances, daughter of Timothy Hart, and by whom he had these children: Emeline, who married Julius Bement; Caroline Matilda, who married Daniel Conger; Lyman, Rebecca Jane, the second wife of Daniel Conger, and Edward, now living in Dryden. Reuben Darling died in 1870, aged seventy-nine years, his wife preceding him by a number of years. Lyman Darling, known throughout the region of his residence as one of the most thrifty and successful farmers, also as a man of much personal influence, was born August 24, 1826, and has devoted his life to farm work. That he has been abundantly successful is attested in the fact that his present farm of 228 acres is one of the best cultivated and most productive of the county, while its buildings and equipment are not to be surpassed in the region. In February, 1872, he married Sarah, daughter of Joseph Smiley. Four children have been born of this marriage, all of whom are now living. In politics Mr. Darling has generally been a Republican, but during later years he has been somewhat identified with the principles of Prohibition.

Dusenberry, Corry G., was born November 16, 1863, in the town of Dryden. His father, Henry L., was also a native of the town, the family having originally come from Hall among the early settlers. Henry L. married Catharine Smiley, daughter of John Smiley, and they had two children: Mrs. Ellen Reed of Freeville, and our subject, Corry G. Henry L. died January 9, 1890. He was a well-known man in his town, and of recognized ability and integrity. Corry G. was educated in the common schools of his native town, finishing at the Cortland Normal, and later taking up a business course at the Elmira Business College. He is now living on the old homestead, which has been in the possession of the family for seventy-five years. The farm comprises 103 acres of fine dairy land.

Dean, David M., was born in the town of Newfield, October 31, 1852, the youngest son of Jefferson Dean, a farmer, who is a native of Ithaca, still living at eighty-two years of age. The mother of our subject was Matilda Barnes of Newfield. The grandfather, Eliakim Dean, was one of the pioneers of the county, and owned a tract of 600 acres of land in Newfield. He was justice of the peace, appointed by Governor Clinton. David was educated in the common schools and the old Ithaca Academy; leaving the latter in 1869, he followed teaching in the common schools for two years, and then entered the office of Merritt King. He had been a student of law with him from the age of sixteen, teaching winters and studying summers. His last teaching was as principal of Newfield High School with 100 scholars. He was admitted to the bar at Albany January 8, 1874, opened an office in his native village, and was engaged in practice there until the fall of 1876, when he was nominated for district attorney and elected, an office he held for six years. He married, December 27, 1882, Hattie B. Lebarre of Newfield. Mr. Dean enjoys the reputation of being one of Ithaca's leading lawyers.

Dates, William Morehouse, one of Lansing's prominent farmers, was born on the farm he now owns, June 21, 1847, the son of John D. Dates, of New Jersey, born in June, 1808, who, when a lad of thirteen years, started out in life for himself. The

latter when a young man bought a threshing machine, and returned to New Jersey with it, following threshing for a few seasons, then engaged in farming, which he followed for the rest of his life, though at the age of about forty he studied law and practiced in the justice's courts; this he followed till within ten years of his death. His practice was extensive in all parts of the county. He was a Republican. His father was Derrick Dates of New Jersey, who came to Tompkins county about 1820. John D. married Mrs. Electa Jane (Morehouse) Mack, of Lansing, by whom he had three children: Charles H., born in 1845; William M., born in 1847, and Mary J., born in 1850. John D. Dates died May 5, 1885, after a long and useful career. William M. received his education in the common schools and in Groton Academy, and after leaving school he returned to the farm. At the age of twenty-two he bought of his father a portion of the farm and began for himself. To this he has added, until he now owns about 300 acres of farm land, all of which he operates, raising fruit to quite an extent. In October, 1869, he married Mary A., daughter of Hiram and Abby Ann (Baker) Holden, of Lansing, and they have had six children: John D., born July 26, 1870; Myra S., born December 8, 1874; Helen St. John, born May 22, 1880; Mary L., born August 29, 1882; Florence H., born April 18, 1885, and Abbie May, born January 14, 1892. Mr. Dates is a Granger of Lansingville Lodge, No. 282, and an Odd Fellow, Lodge No. 544, Rebekah Degree, of which latter Mrs. Dates is a member. Our subject's mother resides with him, and is still a well preserved woman at the age of eighty-five years, having been a member of the Presbyterian Church seventy-five years.

Drake, A. O., was born in Newfield, June 21, 1846. Joshua Drake, his grandfather, was a native of Connecticut. William Drake, father of our subject, was a native of New York State; Prudy, his wife, also being a native of New York State. The father of our subject was a prosperous farmer. A. O. was educated in the Newfield schools. His business through life has been farming, never aspiring to any political office. He married, in 1866, Alice Drake, of Catherine, N. Y., and they have one child, now at home. Our subject is a member of the Grange and Newfield Lodge

Dassance, Albert, was born in Newfield, June 2, 1856. Hosea, his father, was a native of Vermont and came to this town in 1816. He was a farmer and carpenter. He married Elizabeth Tense, born in Lansing, and of their six children our subject was the youngest. He has followed his father's occupation of farming and carpentry, and in 1890 he married Nora B. Grant, of Danby, by whom he has two children, Ruth E. and Deland G. Mr. Dassance is a Mason, of King Hiram Lodge, No. 784, is a Republican and has been collector two terms.

Driscoll, Brothers.--This firm is composed of Patrick, John C. and William M. Driscoll, and was established in 1880 to carry on general contracting, with a specialty of mason work. Their line is to furnish all building material and execute all kinds of building, and they employ about sixty men. Many of the buildings they have erected are from their own designs, and the most of their work has been residences. They contracted for the laying of Telford Macadam three-quarters of a mile on Aurora street and for about 1,200 feet of Medina stone on State street; also for the whole of the mason work of the new Lyceum Theater. This firm also represents the Glen Falls

and British American Fire Insurance Companies for this county, and they are special agents for the sale of the Alba and Atlas Portland Cements. Their office and store rooms are located at 14 South Tioga street.

Dowell, William, was born in London, England, in 1828, and came to this country in 1859, settling first in Danby, where he remained four years, and then coming to Ithaca in 1863, where he bought a farm of ninety-nine acres, on which he still resides. He married at the age of nineteen, Rhoda Sable, of England. Mr. and Mrs. Dowell have never had any children, but during their life have adopted twelve, all now settled in homes of their own with the exception of two, who reside at home. Mr. Dowell makes a specialty of dairying, having a milk route in the city of Ithaca. The daily output of his dairy is about 125 quarts.

Curtis, E. L. B., was born in the town of Danby, September 9, 1822, was educated in the schools of the day and finished at Mount Vernon Street School in Boston, after leaving which he returned to the homestead farm. In 1850, Anna K. Mills (daughter of Charles L. Mills of Corning) became his wife, and they have had six children, of whom two sons and three daughters survive. Charles E., the oldest, is now a resident of Ouray county, Colo.; Arthur M., the youngest son, is now principal of the Union School of Mount Morris, Livingston county. Our subject is a prominent Republican of the town and in 1864 was tendered the nomination to the Assembly, which he declined, preferring to give his sole attention to his business affairs. He is the owner of about 500 acres of some of the best farming lands in the locality, and makes specialties of dairying and sheep-raising. He is an active and energetic man and takes a prominent part in all the local events of the day in his town.

Crittenden, Samuel was a native of Guilford, Conn., born December 18, 1778. At the age of nineteen he came to this region, traveling the entire distance with an ox-team. He finally located near McLean village, where he died April 1, 1862. He was one of the early judges of the court of the county, was a man of large interest in local affairs, and generally known as Judge Crittenden. He married Hannah Terry, who bore him nine children: Seth, who died in infancy; Seth Rossiter, Asa, Samuel, an early lawyer of Ithaca; Chauncey, Sally, Norman, a merchant of Ithaca, and a prominent man in town affairs; Polly, and Caroline. Asa Crittenden married Sally Harris, and had three children: Minerva, born December 12, 1823, died the same year; Gilman D., born Norn November 18, 1825; Samuel R., born December 25, 1827; Mary Jane, born May 4, 1830, who married James Wilcox; Sarah Ann, born February 10, 1832, married first William T. Lormor, and second Elliot B. Wheeler. Asa Crittenden died May 5, 1891, and his wife October 5, 1859. Gilman D., son of Asa, was born November 18, 1825, and in the war of the Rebellion was a prominent figure in the Tompkins county militia. He was elected captain of Company C, 76th Regiment, and served with honor three years and six months. His wife was Helen, daughter of Jehiel Backus, by whom he had five sons, three of whom are living: Elmer G., now on the farm; Wilbur, of Cortland village; and Floren W., a member of the firm of Begent & Crittenden, of Groton. The latter was born August

26, 1866, was educated in the Groton Union School, and in 1886 was clerk for D. McLachlan. In November, 1890, the firm of Begent & Crittenden succeeded Mr. McLachlan.

Camp, Edward, was born in Ulysses June 13, 1842, educated in the public schools and Trumansburgh Academy, and at the breaking out of the war enlisted in Company I, 32d New York Volunteers, being the first to volunteer in his town. He was wounded in the foot at West Point, Va., May 7, 1862, was promoted duty sergeant, and honorably discharged in September, 1862, on account of his wound. Mr. Camp has been president of Trumansburgh, and is serving his second term as supervisor of his town. January 28, 1862, he married Susan J. Winfield of this village, and they have two children: Hermon W., and M. Hermione, both living at home. Mr. Camp's father Hermon, was born in New Milford, Conn., October 6, 1787, and came to Trumansburgh in 1805. His first wife was Caroline Cook of Geneva, by whom he had two children. His second wife was Catharine Cook, a cousin of his first wife, by whom he had two children: Edward and Hermon, the latter dying in infancy. He married third Sarah P., widow of Frederick Camp, and they had one daughter, who married Major F. H. Griswold and now resides in Rochester. Mr. Camp, sr., was a member of assembly in 1820, was president of Trumansburgh Academy, which he, with several others, was instrumental in founding, and was a prominent temperance man, having been elected president of the State Temperance Society. He was commissioned captain of cavalry in 1810 and as lieutenant-colonel soon afterwards, and held the rank of colonel of cavalry in the war of 1812. He was greatly interested in the growth and prosperity of Trumansburgh, to which he contributed not a little. Edward has resided in Virginia for twenty years since the war, having an interest in the Norfolk Knitting Mills there. He was deputy United States marshal for the eastern district for five years after his discharge, and was appointed recruiting officer until the close of the war. He is a member of Treman Post No. 572 G. A. R., and one of its past commanders. He is also a member of Trumansburgh Lodge 157, F. & A. M., Fidelity Chapter 77, R. A. M., and was its high priest two years. He is a member also of St. Augustine Commandery of Ithaca.

Coggshall, David H., respected head of one of Groton's substantial pioneer families, came from Saratoga county in 1820, and settled on the farm now owned by John Smith. Here the pioneer lived, and in connection with his farm work, worked as a tailor, having learned the trade during his young life. In his family were: William, Alanso, David, Tamasy and Clara. The third son, David Hoyt, came to the town with the family, and although he began his business life with very little help, he nevertheless succeeded in building up a goodly fortune for his children, and his accumulations were the result of his industry and perseverance. He possessed 1,000 acres of good land in the town, and likewise was a man of large influence in public affairs. He was captain of one of the State militia companies. His wife was Lois Green, by whom he had these children: Calphronia, who married John Smith and now lives on the old home farm; Van Buren, now living in Locke; David H., and William Lamar. David H. Coggshall, son of David Hoyt, and grandson of the pioneer David H., was born in Groton, December 1, 1847, and has always been a farmer of the town. He is also an apiarian of prominence, was one of the pioneers of bee culture in the region, and one

of the most successful honey producers in Central New York. His new residence is unquestionably the most complete and attractive in Groton. February 24, 1869, he married Clarinda F., daughter of John Smith, by whom he has had three children; Louis Le Roy, Ella N., and Claude. The latter died in infancy.