

lature as assemblyman and has also served his town on the Board of Supervisors for sixteen years, his medical practice forcing him finally to decline renomination. Dr. Beers is the representative of one of the oldest families in this town. His father was Dr. Eii, and his great-uncle Dr. Lewis Beers, who came to Danby in 1804, and both have practiced medicine here before him. He is one of the town's leading men.

Halladay, Benton M., a prominent farmer of Lansing, was born in Groton, March 2, 1857, son of Myron, also a native of Groton, born December 3, 1823. He is a Democrat in politics. He married Sarah, daughter of Henry and Mary Howser. She is one of seven children; Julia, wife of Jacob Metzgar of Groton, both deceased; Calvin, deceased; Eliza, wife of Charles Witt of Watertown; Jefferson C., Sarah, Caroline, widow of Sidney Hopkins of Groton, Thompson of Iowa, and Laura J. Mr. and Mrs. Halladay had two children, Emerson L., born August 25, 1852, and Benton M. Mr. Halladay removed to Lansing in 1870, and settled on the farm now operated by the Halladay Bros., where he died in November, 1882. His father was Lyman, also a native of Groton. He devoted his entire time to his farm. He married Belinda Armstrong, and they had seven children. His wife died in Lansing, on the farm of our subject. Elihu and Nancy (Wilson) Halladay were the great-grandparents of our subject. His wife was a native of Cayuga county. Subject was reared on the farm and educated in the common schools and Groton Union School. After the death of his father he with his brother conducted the farm. Sheep raising is one of their principal industries. The farm consists of 197 acres, on which they have erected large horse and sheep barns and other necessary buildings and improvements essential to such a farm. In politics the Halladay brothers are Democrats. Subject married in December, 1883, Carrie L., daughter of John and Miriam (Howden) Nottingham, of Dryden. She is one of five children: Gertrude M., wife of Charles Sovocool of Groton; Carrie L., Jennie H., wife of Delmar Singer of Geneva; Arthur J., Elmer Leroy. They have two children, Grace M., born October 8, 1885, and Frank M., born November 11, 1887. Subject is a member of the Masonic and Odd Fellows orders. Mrs. Halladay is a member of the Rebecca degree of Odd Fellows.

Hagin, Charles G., was born in Lansing in 1826, a son of Charles Hagin, a native of Ireland born about 1790. During the war of 1812 he was pressed into the British service while yet in his native country. After landing in America he deserted to the American side at the first opportunity, where he fought valiantly, losing his left arm in the service. He afterwards came to Lansing, where for many years he distributed newspapers on horseback. He was finally thrown from his horse receiving injuries which caused his death. He married Mary Ann, daughter of Joseph and Mary Smith, who came from Pennsylvania to Lansing among the early settlers. Mr. and Mrs. Hagin had six children, of whom two are deceased, Charles G. being the fifth child. The latter attended the district schools, and while yet a boy worked on the canal as boatman, later owning his own boats. He bought grain, wool and other products, and in 1867 he bought the farm of ninety-eight acres, where he has since resided. February 22, 1855, he married Fannie M., daughter of Freeman and Catharine Drake, who was born November 16, 1831, and died September 16, 1888. They had five children: Agnes D., wife of Frank Townley; Hobart G., born in January 1864, an attorney in Olympia, Wash.; Freeman; Charles, born April 11, 1866; John B., born June 12, 1873, died in August, 1892; Carrie M., born December 28, 1874, who

keeps house for her father. Mr. Hagin's brother, Frank, and eldest son, enlisted in the late war, and were followed by his two younger sons, aged fifteen and seventeen respectively, who enlisted as cavalymen, and were taken prisoners, but made their escape, and all four served three years, returning home without a scratch.

Hibbard, Family, The.—The first of the Hibbards to come to this county was Henry, a native of Windham, Conn., who came here in 1812, and in partnership with Julius Ackley established the first hat manufactory in Ithaca, later adding a store in the same line. In 1816 he married Rhoda Ackley, who died without issue, and he married second Nancy Tillottson, in 1819, by whom he had two children: Mary, who married Thomas St. John; and Henry Fitch Hibbard. Timothy, the father of Henry, first mentioned, came to this county about 1818, and settled on a farm in the northeastern portion of this town, which settlement has ever since borne the name of Hibbard's Corners. He died in 1837. Henry Hibbard was one of the most prominent business men in the early history of this city, taking an important part in all enterprises for the public good. He was heavily interested in real estate, and in 1828 in connection with Ackley & Beebe built the Clinton House, which still stands as a landmark of the county. He died in 1863. Henry F. Hibbard was for a number of years the teller in the old Ithaca Bank, and later conducted a general store. In 1853, in company with Thomas P. St. John, he established a factory for the manufacture of sewing silks, which until 1861 was one of the leading industries of this section, at that year however he returned to the mercantile business. He was at one time greatly interested in speculation, but during his later years withdrew from all active business with the exception of his connection with the Savings Bank, of which he was a founder. He was a Democrat and served as supervisor at one time. His wife was Susan Mack, by whom he had four children: Henry F. jr., who died in Sioux City in 1885; Mary L., Mrs. C. T. Stephens, and Horace M., who has been connected with the Autophone Company since 1880, having been made treasurer in 1881, which office he now holds. In 1891 he was made supervisor. Henry F. Hibbard died August 4, 1880, his widow surviving.

White, Walter Watts, was a native of Windsor, Mass., born July 14, 1812. He was a farmer, and in his native State married Laura Bliss, after which he came to Groton and located on a farm south of the principal village. Their only child was Ellen D. White, who married James H. Eldridge. The latter was a native of Washington county, N. Y., born in 1829, and when a lad came with his father, Thomas Eldridge, and settled in the west part of Groton. The family afterward moved to Pennsylvania, but James remained in this town. In 1863 Mr. Eldridge enlisted in Co. K, 137th N. Y. Vols. but after a year of service, although a strong man in former years, he was discharged for disabilities. He never afterward regained his full health, and was obliged to abandon farming as an occupation. He kept a hotel in Steuben county a few years, and died in 1869.

Peck, William Mitchell, was born in South New Berlin, Chenango county, September 21, 1823. He lived with his parents until 1845, and worked on the farm, also learned the mason's trade. His family, however, moved to Truxton in 1824, and there the young life of our subject was spent. In 1869 Mr. Peck first came to the town of Groton, where he was a farmer, but later on returned to Cortland county, and at one time maintained a dairy farm of sixty cows. In the spring of 1872 Mr.

Peck bought a half interest in a mercantile business in Groton village, his partner being Nelson Trumbull. Six months later he retired and purchased the S. B. Marsh shoe stock, and with the latter enterprise he was connected for nineteen years, retiring in 1891. On November 19, 1845, he married Jane A. Robbins by whom he had eleven children, nine of whom grew to maturity. His wife died February 2, 1871, and he married second October 25, 1871, Ellen D. Eldridge, widow of James H. Eldridge, and daughter of Walter Watts White, the latter an early resident of Groton. Mr. Peck was an Abolitionist, later a Republican, and finally a Prohibitionist.

Genung, Joseph A., was born in the town of Dryden, January 17, 1835. His father, Aaron Genung, came to Tompkins county in 1801 and settled on lot 93 which is in the possession of his descendants. Joseph A. was educated in the common schools, and is a self-made and self-educated man. At the age of twenty-three he married Mary E., daughter of James Cornelius, and they are the parents of three children, two of whom, Mrs. Nellie M. Gillmer and Mary Josephine Genung, survive. Mr. Genung takes the Democratic side in politics, and an active, intelligent interest in church and school matters. In 1868 he bought his father's estate which has been in the family since 1801, having 150 acres of land, and raising hay, grain and stock. Our subject is one of the prominent farmers in his town, taking part in advancing its best interests and is a man of sterling character and high worth.

Griffin, Benjamin L., Enfield.— William H. Griffin, a son of William and a native of Westchester county, N. Y. was a soldier in the war of 1812 and drew a bounty. He came to Enfield about 1816, followed farming, and died here in the spring of 1868. He married Joanna Byron, who died March 22, 1873, aged nearly seventy-four. Their children were Deborah (deceased), Hetty (deceased), George (deceased), Mary, Stephen (deceased,) Benjamin L., Albert and Jane. Benjamin L. Griffin was born in Enfield, April 2, 1832, was reared a farmer, and on August 27, 1863, enlisted in Co. F, 140th N. Y. Vols. With his company he joined the regiment at Culpepper, and during the ensuing seven months participated in eleven engagements, including the Wilderness. June 2, 1864, at the battle of Cold Harbor, he was taken prisoner, and for five months and eighteen days was incarcerated in the rebel prison pen at Andersonville, where he suffered indescribable privations and became emaciated to almost a living skeleton. In November he was paroled and on Christmas day reached home on a furlough. Sixty days later he returned to Annapolis and was transferred to Co. K, 5th N. Y. Zouaves, with which he served, notwithstanding his ill health, in the closing scenes of the war around Richmond, being in the front line on the day of Lee's surrender. He then went with his regiment to Hart's Island, where he remained until his discharge, August 21, 1865. Since the war Mr. Griffin has been an invalid and for nine years has not left his bed. The terrible exposure in prison completely ruined his once robust health, shattered his once strong physique, and undermined his once hardy constitution. Excepting two years spent in Westchester county, he has always resided in Enfield.

George, James H., was born in Dryden, March 1, 1825. His father, William T. George, came to the town in 1804. J. H. George received his education in the common schools and finished at the select school of Prof. Burt in Ithaca. At the age of forty he was married to Miss Mary O. Snyder, daughter of Peter V. Snyder, and they have one son, Herbert A. George. He takes the Republican side in politics and has

been road commissioner for two years, and justice of the peace for twelve years, and supervisor seven years. In 1853 he bought of his father what was known as the Cary Gilky property of 100 acres, on which he now resides and raises large quantities of hay, grain and stock. Our subject is one of the prominent and substantial men of his town, taking an active interest in political, educational and religious matters, and is a practical and successful farmer.

Genung, Luther G., was born October 2, 1816, in the town of Dryden, educated in the district schools of the day, and remained on his father's farm till the age of twenty-one. He then married Phoebe, daughter of Moses Banfield, of the town of Danby, who bore him four children, of whom one son and one daughter survive. In 1850 our subject bought the Edson Williams farm, to which he has added several adjoining farms. He now has 150 acres of some of the most productive land in the town, on which he raises the usual crops of the vicinity, making a specialty of stock raising and dealing largely in sheep. In politics he is Democratic.

Green, Charles, was born in the town of Venice, Cayuga county, October 28, 1866, a son of Dewitt C. Green, a harness maker of that town. He was educated in the common schools, together with a course at the Ithaca Academy, and at the age of fifteen he went to serve an apprenticeship with the Ithaca Cigar Mfg. Co. where he spent three years. In November, 1884, he established a manufactory in Ithaca, which he has ever since conducted. He employs four hands, and produces 120,000 cigars yearly. A very popular cigar of his manufacture is the "C. G." which is found at all well appointed cigar stands. Mr. Green is a Democrat, and is a worker in his party. In March, 1892, he was elected alderman of the Third Ward, the youngest man ever appointed to the position in this city. He is still an incumbent, and has won popularity and distinction by good judgment in all meetings of the Council. In November, 1889, he married Fanny M. Van Natta, daughter of James Van Natta of this city, and they have a son and a daughter.

De Camp, Daniel, is a prominent citizen of Lansing, a son of Morris De Camp, born in New Jersey in 1799, who came to this town in 1803 with his parents, Jacob and Rhoda De Camp, where they settled on a large tract of wild land and cleared a home. Jacob and Rhoda had ten children: Susanna, Gemima, Sally, Betsey, Abraham, Charlotte, Daniel, Morris and Joseph (twins), and Clarissa. At the death of his father Morris came into possession of a part of this large farm, on which he and wife spent their lives. He married Rachel Learn, a native of Pennsylvania, and they had eleven children: Harvey who married Sarah, daughter of Edward and Mary Schenk, Henry who married Sarah, daughter of Andrew and Hannah Miller, Catharine wife of Henry Teeter of Groton, Mary, wife of Ira Osmun of Lansing, Angelina, wife of Jerry Osmun of Lansing, Daniel, Alvin who married Mary, daughter of Samuel and Phana Davis, Nelson, who died aged five years, Lovina, wife of William A. Singer of Geneva, Armena, wife of Ezekiel Woodruff of North Lansing; and Malinda, who died aged fifteen. The death of the father occurred in 1890, and that of the mother in 1877. Our subject was reared on the home farm, where he lived until twenty-one years of age, then managed it himself for two years, after which he bought a farm of seventy-five acres where he has since resided, and to which he has added until he now has 212 acres. Mr. De Camp also deals in agricultural implements and farm produce. In 1855 he married Chloe Ann, daughter of John and Cath-

erine Miller of Lansing, by whom he had two children: Addie, who died aged six years; and Willie M., born in July, 1869, who married Belle Sharpsteen of Lansing, and they reside with our subject on the farm. Mrs. De Camp died in September, 1890. Mr. De Camp is a member of the North Lansing Grange, and is a Democrat.

Douglass, Mrs. Mary A., Newfield, widow of William C. Douglass, was born on the farm now owned and worked by our subject. James Douglass, father of her husband, was killed on this farm. One brother, Oliver, died in Libby Prison. James, the father, was one of the first settlers in Newfield. William Douglass, husband of our subject, was a stock raiser and farmer, was a very prominent and active worker in the Democratic party, and held the office of road commissioner. He was a worker in the County Fair, and died a member of the Masonic fraternity, Fidelity Lodge No. 51. He married Mary A., daughter of Joseph Smith, November 19, 1849. They had four children: James W., Lena C., Lewis W., and Smith J. Lewis and James are both deceased.

Dick, James, was born in the city of Buffalo in 1850, and his early life was spent in his native town. He was educated in the common schools, and in 1869 went as a clerk in a coal office in that city, where he remained till 1873, when he came to Ithaca to ship coal from here to his firm, E. L. Hedstrom & Co., in Buffalo, which position he filled two years, when he was recalled to the Buffalo office. He was on the road for them and shipping till 1878, when he established a business for himself at the corner of Meadow and Seneca streets, where he has ever since conducted business. He is now handling from three to four thousand tons of Lehigh coal per year, and his wood yard has a patronage of from 350 to 450 cords per year. Mr. Dick is a member of the K. of P., and of the I. O. O. F., also the Encampment. In 1876 he married Nellie M. Parrett, daughter of John Parrett of this city and they have six children, five sons and a daughter.

Chase, Dr. Abram, was born in Jacksonville, Tompkins county, N. Y., where his grandfather practiced medicine before him. He was educated in Trumansburgh and Ithaca Academies, studied medicine with his father at the age of seventeen, and graduated from the Medical University of Buffalo in February, 1882. September 19, 1876, he married Mary C. Farrington of Jacksonville and they have six children: Fannie J., Walter F., William A., Edith, Ethel M. and Catharine. Henry B., father of our subject, was born in Whitestown, near Utica, January 8, 1822. He graduated from the Geneva Medical College in 1845 and married Tamer A., daughter of Joseph Genung, by whom he had seven children: Abram, William, who died young; Frederick and Edgar H. (twins), George, Henry B. and John J. Dr. Henry B. Chase died November 8, 1880, and his wife December 19, 1893. He practiced here thirty-six years. Dr. Abram Chase, grandfather of our subject, was born in Dutchess county in 1776 and practiced medicine in New Haven, Conn., afterwards in Whitestown near Utica. He married Fannie Davis of Vienna, now Phelps, Ontario county, and they had two children: Henry B. and Julia, who died aged twelve years. He came to this locality as above noted, in 1823. The ancestry of the family is Scotch, English and French. The first of the family to come to this country was one William Chase, who arrived in the Mayflower and settled in Plymouth, Massachusetts.

Crutts, William B., deceased, was born in the town of Dryden, August 27, 1836, and was a descendant of Jacob Crutts, one of the earliest settlers in the town, taking up

most of lot 63. Wm. B. Crutts was educated in the common schools and finished under S. D. Carr at Ithaca. He married Miss Olive Bryant of Ithaca and they have six children, three sons, Fred J., Lewis S., and Jay L., and three daughters, Mrs. Minnie Burr, Misses Cora and Carrie. William B. Crutts died owning the Crutts homestead farm of 140 acres which has been in the family for three generations, and other property, raising hay, grain and stock. William B. Crutts died May 20, 1891, leaving a wife and six children to take up his many burdens and carry them to a successful completion. He was known throughout his town as a man of high character and recognized ability, identified with the best interests of his town, and was regretted by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. The Crutts grist mill is now owned and operated by the family of William Crutts.

Clark, Baldwin Phelps, was born on the old home farm of pioneer Captain Jesse Clark at Groton, June 14, 1842. He was brought up on the farm, educated at the district school at Groton and lived at the old home till 1868, when he bought and moved to the Russell Hall farm, remaining there till the spring of 1889, when he bought and occupies the Watrous farm, located just north of the village. Mr. Clark is an active, energetic and successful farmer, and in connection with his regular work is also an extensive dealer in agricultural implements and machines. For more than thirty years he has dealt with farmers throughout this region, and his acquaintance is vast and varied. He has been twice married: first on March 7, 1867, to Libbie Flynn of Cortland; she died in 1875. They had an adopted son; Ralph Stewart. October 4, 1877, Mr. Clark married Lucia McNish, also of Cortland, and they have four children: Martin Carl, Ruth Louise, Ruberta Tryphenia, and Laura Marie.

Bower, Mervin, a native of Lansing was born August 24, 1827, the son of John Bower, born in 1799, a native of Pennsylvania, who came to Tompkins county with his parents John and Rosina (Youngs) Bower. John married Lucretia Bunell, born in 1800, daughter of Henry Bunell of Lansing, and they reared four children: Gerusha, Mervin, Hannah R., and Susan. Mr. Bower died in January, 1887, and his wife June 3, 1878. Our subject attended the common schools in his neighborhood winters and worked on the farm summers. He finally purchased a farm of sixty-two acres, where he has since lived and has erected a commodious house and barns. He married in December 1860, Wealthy, daughter of Porter and Lucinda (Slocum) White of Lock. Mr. and Mrs. Bower have three children: John C., born December 31, 1862; Charles R., born August 28, 1864; Ella M., born July 3, 1869, wife of Clifford Townsend of Lansing. John C. married Ella Bower, and Charles R. married Emma J. McCargar. The family are members of the Lansingville Grange. Mr. Bower has served as assessor and is a trustee of the M. E. church at Lansingville. In politics he is a Republican.

Boyer, Charles, one of Lansing's prosperous farmers, a native of Genoa, Cayuga county, was born January 11, 1834, son of Samuel Boyer, a native of Pennsylvania, who was born in 1803. He came to Lansing about 1823, purchasing a farm near North Lansing, which he sold a year later and removed to Genoa, Cayuga county, where he lived forty years. Selling there he returned to Lansing and purchased another farm, on which he spent the remainder of his life. He was a Democrat. His wife was Rachael, daughter of Philip and Mary Beck, now called Peck in this

vicinity. She was a native of Canada, and one of nine children. Samuel was one of three children: Jacob, Malinda and Samuel. He died December, 1870. His wife survived him sixteen years, and died March 30, 1886. They raised eleven children: John, Mary, wife of James Searles of Lansing, both deceased; Margaret, wife of Seymour Eccleston of Nebraska City, both deceased; Jacob, deceased; Malinda, wife of John J. Wilson of Burr, Neb., Charles, Sarah, wife of Lucius Hubbard of Lansing; Lettie, wife of Daniel Lane of Lansing; Susan, Emily and Rachael, deceased, wife of Jacob Teeter of Lansing. Subject was reared a farmer and educated in the common schools. He remained on the farm with his father until he was twenty-seven years of age, when he purchased the farm where he now resides, and where he has raised his family. He has added to his real estate possessions until he now owns over 200 acres, and does a general mixed farming. In 1860 he married Mary Harriet, daughter of Sylvester and Mary (Jacobs) Culver of Lansing. She was born in May, 1840, and was one of eleven children. They have had five children: Mary I., wife of Charles W. Strong of Lansing, and they have one child, Lucy, born in September, 1886; Grace L., C. Jay, Myron H., and Blanch R. Mrs. Boyer, Myron and Grace are members of the North Lansing Grange Lodge. In politics our subject is a Democrat.

Bower, Charles F., was born on a farm in the town of Lansing, July 5, 1834. The grandfather of our subject, Honteter Bower, was the first of this family to locate in this county. He settled on a farm north of Lansingville, and it was there he reared a family of fourteen children and spent the balance of his days. Abram was the sixth son, born November 10, 1805. He married in 1831 Francina Baker, and they were the parents of seven children, of which our subject was the second. Abram Bower died in May, 1882. Charles F. was educated in the common school and lived on his father's farm until 1861, when he started for himself on a farm of his father's in the northern part of the town. He married in June, 1862, Sarah, daughter of Caleb Brown of this town, and they moved to their present place, a good grain and hay farm of 100 acres. They have had five children, three now living: Genie L., Anna E., and Le Roy C. Warren A., the oldest son, died April 19, 1892, aged twenty-one years, loved by all who knew him. His death was caused by the kick of a horse.

Bush, Francis M., was born in Bristol, R. I., October 11, 1841, received his education in the common schools and the High School, and entered in the mercantile business in Bristol as clerk in a dry goods store, where he was employed till 1860. That year he went to Niagara Falls, where, in partnership with R. H. Jackson, he conducted a store for eight years. In 1878 they removed to Ithaca, where the firm of Jackson & Bush existed for seven years. At the end of that time Mr. Jackson withdrew from the firm, and Mr. Dean became a partner with Mr. Bush, the firm ever since being Bush & Dean. Our subject is a member of the Presbyterian church, and also of the Masonic fraternity, Hobasco Lodge, Eagle Chapter, St. Augustine Commandery. September 20, 1876, he married Mary L. Jackson, daughter of his former partner, and they have one son, a dentist of Gloversville.

Bailey, George W., was born in Virgil, January 19, 1819. His grandfather, Joseph Bailey, was one of our first settlers in the city of Ithaca and drew a pension for services in the Revolutionary war. He was with Washington from the date of his enlistment to the close of the war, and then returned to Ithaca, and afterwards moved into the town of Dryden on lot 19. Our subject was educated in the common schools

and was obliged to pay part of his tuition in wood, delivered at the school-house. At the age of twenty-one he went to work for Moses Tyler at \$10 per month. At twenty-seven he was married to Miss Sally A. Pulling, daughter of Daniel P. Pulling, and they have one daughter, Mrs. Clara B. Cloyes. In 1864 he bought the Michael Butts property where he now resides. In 1865 he bought the M. E. Tripp property, in 1868 he bought the Rochester Marsh property, in 1882 bought the Saltsman property, in 1874 he bought the D. P. Pulling property, and also owns the Edward Branch farm in Virgil of 150 acres. Our subject is one of the prominent men in his town, taking an active interest in temperance principles, in church and school matters. He is recognized as a practical and successful farmer.

Brooks, Mrs. Cornelia, a native of Colechester, N. Y., was born July 5, 1814, the daughter of John and Sarah (Hager) Horton, of Westchester and Schoharie counties respectively, who settled in Colechester. They reared ten children: Daniel, Peter, David, Samuel, Mary, Elizabeth, Enoch, a colonel in the late war; Cornelia, George W., and Benjamin F., all now deceased except Elizabeth, Enoch and Cornelia. The grandfather was William Horton, who served as county judge and member of assembly three terms. He died in 1830 at the age of ninety. His wife was Elizabeth Covert, and they reared eight children. Our subject resided with her parents and attended the common school, which was supported by contributions in those days. At the age of nineteen she came to Lansing to live with a married sister and taught school about four years. Here she was wedded to Alfred Brooks, a native of Lansing, born November 25, 1810. He was the son of James Brooks of Philadelphia, Pa., who came to Lansing at an early date. His wife was Margaret Hargan, and they raised eight children: Mark, Samuel, Hiram, Alfred, Jefferson, Mary, Hannah and Margaret. He served in the war of 1812. Alfred was reared to farm life and at the age of sixteen began life for himself. He engaged in making shingles for several years, then engaged in farm work. Later he began farming for himself on fifty acres in Lansing, adding to this forty more acres. In 1860 he purchased a farm of 145 acres, where he spent the remainder of his days. He was a Republican, but would not accept public office. His death occurred in 1889 at the age of seventy-nine. Mr. and Mrs. Brooks raised eight children: Roseltha, Hiram, Sarah (deceased), Margaret, John L., James A., Ella, wife of Joseph A. Reed of Ithaca, and Effie D. Hiram and John now own the farm, which consists of 260 acres of fine farm land. They with their mother and sisters live on the farm enjoying a happy home. Peter Hager was a captain in the Revolutionary war, and was a second cousin of Martin Van Buren. Hagerstown, Md., took its name from her uncle, who came from Germany.

Bower, George L., was born December 18, 1838, on the farm which he now owns. He is a son of Joseph W., also a native of this town, who married Mary Peck, and reared seven children: Lucinda, wife of Joseph Kratzer of Genoa; Philinda, wife of Lewis De Camp of Lansing; Mary, wife of Rufus J. Drake of Genoa; Elizabeth, wife of Ferdinand Sperry; Fanny, wife of Wesley Bloom; George, Calvin D. The father died in 1861, and the mother in 1890. The grandfather came to this place from Pennsylvania at an early day. Our subject attended the district school and worked on the farm with his parents, after the death of his father buying the home farm of 101 acres, and has ever since resided thereon. He raises a mixed crop of grain, and makes a specialty of Shropshiredown sheep. He has also erected a large and com-

modious house and stables, and now owns a fine premises. In December, 1873, he married Sarah Van Zant, daughter of Philip and Susan Kibler of Michigan, and they have had four children: Clarence G., born in April, 1876; Lewis L., born August 29, 1879; Jacob Bates, born October 16, 1881; and Mary E., born August 9, 1884. He is a member of the order of Free Masons, and is a Republican in politics.

Fitts, Paschal, was born in Charlton, Mass., and married Eliza King. Soon after they came to Groton and located on the farm now owned and occupied by their son, George. Paschal Fitts was a brick-maker by trade, though he followed farming chiefly. He acquired a handsome property, and became a man of prominence in his town. Of his three children, one died in Massachusetts, Lucy Ann became the wife of Ezra Beach, and George, our subject. In 1864, two years after the death of his first wife, Mr. Fitts married Mrs. Noyes, and lived at McLean till his death. George was born in Groton, March 2, 1836, and has always lived on the farm he now occupies, the property, which he has materially improved, having been purchased from his father. It is now one of the most valuable and desirable farms in the town. November 15, 1858, he married Samantha, daughter of John and Samantha Calvert, of Cortland county, and they have four children: Jerome C., Fred E., Jennie E., and J. P., the latter, however, having died at the age of seven years. Jerome C. Fitts married Lena Hart and now lives on the old Hart farm. They have two children: George, aged five years, and Hart, aged seven. The farm joins that of his father, making together nearly 400 acres of as good land as can be found anywhere.

Fisher family, The, Enfield.—Gilbert H. Fisher, born in North Castle, Westchester county, in 1792, was for several years a merchant in New York. He was captain of a company in the war of 1812, and was stationed at Mamaroneck when the British made an unsuccessful attempt to land. His wife, Deborah, was the second daughter of Daniel Matthews, of Westchester county, a granddaughter of Abel Smith, of the same place, and a direct descendant of Richard Smith, the founder of Smithtown, L. I., who bought 20,000 acres of land of the Narragansett Indians (Historical collections of the State of New York.) Their children were Abel Smith, born in January, 1816; Charles Wright; Daniel, born in June, 1820, killed by a horse in White Plains in 1835; William Matthews; Dr. George Jackson; and Dorinda A. Abel Smith Fisher was his father's youngest clerk in his dry goods house on Grand street in New York; he finally settled in Enfield, had nine children, of whom three sons and one daughter survive, and now lives on a farm in sight of Ithaca. Charles Wright Fisher, born February 23, 1818, married Sabella Barr, daughter of David Bryson, in 1856. She was born December 24, 1818, and died December 10, 1882. He was a great reader, and was a wealthy and practical farmer. He went to St. Augustine, Fla., for his health and died suddenly May 1, 1892, and was buried in the cemetery at Mecklenburg. Two daughters survive him. William Mathews Fisher, born June 26, 1822, settled on his present farm in 1850. September 27, 1846, he married Charlotte Ann, daughter of Moses H. and Lavina Marshall, and has been prominently connected with the M. E. church at Enfield Center. Their children are Marshall, born in October, 1848, joined the Central New York M. E. Conference, and died in De Land, Fla., March 27, 1884; Fred B.; Georgiana, who died young; and David N., born January 24, 1853, married Ida Estelle Wortman, and lives with his father. George Jackson Fisher, A. M., M. D., born in November, 1825, married, in 1852,

Mary Bodle, of Mecklenburg, where he began the practice of medicine. He was a graduate of the New York College of Medicine, was appointed physician to Sing Sing Prison, and was president of the New York State and the Westchester County Medical Societies several years. By invitation of President Lincoln he attended the wounded at Antietam after the battle there, among whom were some confederates, who afterward gave him an ovation on his visit to South Carolina. Dr. Fisher was the author of several medical works, at one time the editor of a medical journal, and the founder and president of the Ossining Hospital, where he contracted blood poisoning in amputating a limb of a sick patient, and died in February, 1893. His widow, a son Fred, and one daughter, Mrs. Carpenter, survive him. Dorinda A. Fisher, born in April, 1828, married Henry Haight, of Enfield, has two daughters living, and died November 4, 1881, at the home of her brother, Charles W., where she spent the greater part of her life.

Brink, Andrew James, was born in Burdette, Schuyler county, July 24, 1845. He is the son of James Brink, of Genoa, born in Sullivan county, October 21, 1804, who was the son of Cornelius and Lydia Brink, of Long Island, who came to Sullivan county about 1800, and later to Orange county, where they reared eight children: Mrs. Smith, of Bloomingburg; Mrs. Miller, of the same town; Mrs. Harding; Elsie Brink, all of the same town; James, Abram and Hiram. He married second a widow whose maiden name was Drake, by whom he had two children Cornelius and William. James, father of Andrew J., was reared to farm life, and remained with his father until about twenty-one, when he bought a small farm in Sullivan county, on which he lived. Some years later he bought a hotel at Bloomingburg, which he conducted about three years, when he sold out and returned to farming. He spent some time in Schuyler county, and some time in traveling, finally locating in Genoa, where he has since resided. He has always been a Democrat. His first wife was Jane Horton, of Orange county, by whom he had six children: Maria, widow of Solomon Williams, of Burdette; one who died in infancy; Leander, of Middletown; Martha; Ann Eliza; Francis Hollister, of Five Corners; Harriet, who resides with her father. His wife died in Schuyler county, September 23, 1840, and in March, 1841, he married second, Delilah Marton, of Burdette, and they had seven children: George W., Andrew J., Charles H., Margaret Jane, Augusta, William C., and Elsie. March 20, 1891, Mr. and Mrs. Brink celebrated their golden wedding, they being the parents, grandparents and great-grandparents of forty-eight living children. Our subject resided with his parents until the age of twenty-one, then engaged in work for himself for some time, returning to his father's farm later. In 1871 he was engaged in the sewing-machine business in New Jersey, and remained three years, and for the next three years engaged in farming. He married in 1871, and removed to Tompkins county. He married, September 26, 1877, Frances J., daughter of Roswell and Isabel (Conrad) Beardsley, of North Lansing, born June 2, 1847. Mrs. Brink's father has held the office of postmaster ever since the time of President Adams, a term of sixty-six years, he having been born in 1809, this being the longest term of continuous office on record. Mr. and Mrs. Brink are members of the North Lansing Grange. Mr. Brink has been a Free Mason since the age of twenty-one. In politics he is a Democrat, having held the office of inspector of elections several terms.

Anderson, B. B., of Newfield, was born August 15, 1815, in Sullivan, bordering on Orange county, a son of James N. Anderson, a farmer, and also a native of the county, who married Mary Solomon, of Long Island, and had five children, of whom our subject was the third. The occupation of the latter has been that of blacksmith for the past thirty years, though he has followed farming for some time, and given up his trade. In 1845 he married Margaret McCorn, of Newfield, by whom he had four children, two daughters and two sons. In 1865 he married Emiline McCorn, of Newfield. He was educated in the common schools and in politics is a Democrat.

The late Daniel Johnson was born in Orange county, October 28, 1801, and came when a young man to Taghannic Falls, where he built the first house. He married, August 29, 1847, Sarah M. Lee, of Ulysses, and they had six children; Elsie, Frederick, Mary, Diantha, Edwin S. and Sarah. Mary died aged five years; Elsie married Henry Blanchard and lives in Ithaca; Frederick married Maria Follett, of Ulysses, and they reside in Ithaca; Diantha lives at home with her mother; Edwin S. married Anna Smith, of this town, and Sarah married Dr. John Kirkendall, of Ithaca. Mr. Johnson died November 1, 1885. Mrs. Johnson's grandfather, Jephtha Lee, was born in Dutchess county, March 1, 1764, and was a soldier in the Revolution, and the farm now occupied by Mrs. Johnson is part of the grant which he received for his services. He married Esther Franklin, born February 8, 1764, and they had twelve children, two of whom died young, the others being as follows: John, Delilah, Daniel, Amos, Lucy, Polly A., Sally A., Hannah, Franklin and William.

Ives, Charles A., was born in Ithaca, December 9, 1849, the only son of the late Joseph N. Ives, who was born in the town of Lansing September 23, 1823, and died November 23, 1891. He was always a member of the Republican party, and at one time a trustee of the village of Ithaca. He was a carpenter by trade, and his later years were spent in the car shop of the Lehigh railroad. For a number of years he was interested with W. W. Esty in building canal boats in Ithaca, always connected with the fire department, and a life-long member of the Presbyterian church. The mother of our subject, Fannie M. Cooley, was a descendant of the old New England stock. She died November 7, 1891. Charles A. was educated in the public schools and graduated from the Ithaca Academy. He was for ten years employed in the hardware store of John Rumsey, and in February, 1877, was appointed by the L. V. Railroad Co. city agent to handle their business in this town. He is a Republican in politics and was town clerk for two years, was the last village clerk, and first city clerk. He was also, for a term of years, assistant chief of the fire department. He married in March, 1878, Janet L., daughter of M. F. Brown, of Ithaca, and they have a son and a daughter.

Johnson, Harlan P., was born in Ithaca, in October, 1838, son of Benjamin L. Johnson, a native of Delaware county, who was for a number of years engaged in the transportation business on the Erie canal, running a line of passenger and freight boats between Ithaca and Buffalo, N. Y., which he followed until the building of the first railroad through New York State, when he engaged in mercantile business in Ithaca, which he followed until 1870, when he retired from business. He was always active in church and temperance work, and died July 6, 1883. The mother of our subject, Lucinda Newcomb, was a native of Vermont, of English descent, whose ancestors came to this country about the middle of the 17th century. She died in April,

1891. The grandfather of Mrs. Johnson, Daniel Newcomb, was a lieutenant in the army of the Revolution. Our subject is the oldest son of a family of three sons and two daughters. He was educated in the Ithaca Academy, and on leaving school was three years in his father's store. In 1860 he went to New York where he engaged in business, first as a clerk and rapidly rose to partnership, living there fourteen years. Returning to Ithaca in 1874, he has been engaged in various enterprises, now a dealer in real estate and investment securities, and representative of some of the old line insurance companies.

Jennings, Frank S., was born in Moravia, February 16, 1857, and was educated in the Moravia High School under Prof. C. O. Roundy. He also attended the Medical Department of the Syracuse University for one year and afterwards graduated from the Medical Department of the University of the City of New York, receiving a physician's diploma from that institution, and has been a practicing physician since. At the age of twenty-three he married Mary Given, daughter of William R. Given, of the town of Dryden, to which town he removed in the spring of 1884. He has one daughter, Laura Jennings. In addition to his regular practice, he has added the conducting of a drug store with a full line of drugs, toilet and fancy articles. In 1888 he received the appointment of postmaster, and for four years the post-office was located in his present store. He takes an active interest in educational and religious matters, being a member of the Board of Education.

Jones, M. E., was born July 4, 1864, in the town of Ithaca and educated in the common schools. After leaving school he learned the miller's trade, going into partnership with J. E. Van Natta, then went to Ohio, and built a hundred-barrel mill for the North Jackson Milling Co. Our subject married at the age of twenty-six May Rhodes, daughter of George Rhodes, of Ithaca. He is a Republican in politics, and takes an active and intelligent interest in church and school matters. In March, 1892, he bought the Pugsley farm of seventy acres, where he now resides, raising the usual farm crops of hay, grain and stock. Also he makes a specialty of lumbering, cutting pine and hemlock, for which he finds a ready market in Ithaca. Mr. Jones is known as an energetic and prosperous young farmer.

Janson, Henry, was born in Caroline, January 15, 1823. Daniel, his father, was a native of Ulster county, and came here with his parents when three years of age. He followed farming all his life on the place now occupied by our subject. His wife was Sallie Bush of Tompkins county, and Henry was their oldest son. The latter has been twice married, first to Miss McWhorter, by whom he had one son, now living on a farm near his father. His present wife was Miss Silsby, of Tioga county. Mr. Janson is a Granger, and a Republican.

Jervis, Benjamin Franklin, son of Timothy and Phœbe Bloomfield Jervis, was born at Rome, Oneida county, July 2, 1816. He was educated at the Grosvenor Academy in Rome. At the age of seventeen he engaged as clerk in the hardware store kept by Jas. Sayre & Co. at Utica. In 1834 he was appointed clerk in the Bank of Rome. In 1836 he received appointment in the Albany City Bank. His health failing he accepted the place of teller in the Madison County Bank at Cazenovia, N. Y. remaining there about two years. These places were filled with satisfaction to himself and to his employers. At the suggestion and under the advice of his oldest

brother, John B. Jervis, he engaged in mercantile and milling business at Rome, Annsville and New York City, about twelve years. In 1856 he was appointed cashier of the Bank of Cazenovia and held this appointment about fifteen years, at the end of which time the affairs of the bank were in very satisfactory condition. He was then elected president. Soon after this the bank suffered heavy losses from the failure of parties to whom large consignments had been made and from the fire at Chicago which nearly destroyed the city and in which the bank held large amount of property, making this portion of his experience distressingly unfortunate. From Cazenovia he went to Toledo, Ohio, and engaged as auditor of the Toledo, Ann Arbor and North Michigan Railway Co. He remained with that company fourteen years, acting in the capacity of auditor and treasurer and secretary—the last two years being as secretary and located in New York City, which office he resigned in 1891 and removed to Ithaca. He was married in 1840 to Miss Louise M. Chandler, of Cazenovia, who died at Toledo, July 3, 1879. From this marriage there was one son, John Bloomfield, Second, who died March 10, 1869, aged nineteen years. He was again married on November 28, 1882, to Miss Martha Marsh, daughter of the late Doctor Richard and Rebecca Jacques Marsh, of Rahway, N. J. The Jervis family are of French descent, dating back in this country to the seventeenth century.

Janson, John, was born in Caroline, April 4, 1825, a son of Daniel, who was born in Ulster county, and moved to this county when three years old. Daniel married Sallie, daughter of D. Bush, and of their nine children our subject was the second, he being sixty-eight years old at the present writing. He worked at carpentry for about five years, and since that has followed it more or less, together with farming, during the past forty years. August 21, 1853, he married Anna M., daughter of William Van Iderstine, of Caroline, and they were the parents of four children, one being deceased at the age of eighteen years. In politics Mr. Janson has always voted with the Republicans.

Hall, John L., was born February 10, 1844, in the town of Danby and 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 a Republican in political views, and has held the office of school trustee for eight years. In 1868 he bought the 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 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 several years.

Houtz, Col. George H., was born in the town of Dryden, July 16, 1835. His father, John H. Houtz, was engaged in the merchandise and milling business, building the Etna mills in 1835, which at his decease, which occurred in 1869, was continued by his son, Col. George H. Houtz. Our subject received his education in the common schools and after leaving school at once joined his father in his many business interests. He takes the Republican side in politics and has been town clerk for twenty-five consecutive years, but an active business life has prevented the acceptance of many nominations tendered him. Our subject is one of the prominent business men

in his town, a man noted for his ability and energy, prominently identified in advancing its best interests and in educational and religious matters.

Haupt, Theron, was born in the town of Ovid, Seneca county, June 22, 1849, and received his early education in the common schools, finishing at the Dryden Academy, under Jackson Graves. At the age of thirty he married Laura E. Tyler, daughter of Richard C. Tyler, of Virgil, Cortland county. In 1890 Mr. Haupt bought the R. C. Tyler property, and in 1893 purchased a part of the Anson Stickle estate, owning eighty-six acres in all, and raising hay, grain, etc. He however makes a specialty of winter dairying. He is a well-known citizen, and takes a thorough interest in educational and religious matters.

Farrington, Warren G., was born at Jacksonville, Ulysses, January 19, 1840, was educated in the public schools and follows farming. December 27, 1865, he married Charlotte Tichenor, of Trumansburgh, and they have had five children: W. Sherman, Edgar H., Clarence M., George L., and Leroy. W. Sherman married Nettie Crawford, of Ithaca, and they have two children, W. Russell and Ruth. Edgar H. married Anna Riddle, of Jacksonville, and they have a daughter, Hazel. Mr. Farrington's father, William, was born in Dutchess county, November 15, 1807, and was a shoemaker in early life, later taking up farming, but returning to the boot and shoe trade again in Jacksonville. He married Catherine Kelley, formerly of New Jersey, and came to this county in 1832. They had four children; George K., Warren G., Martha M., and Mary C. William died in 1892, and his wife in 1890. Mrs. Farrington's father, Sherman Tichenor, was a native of Dutchess county, who came to this region, where he married Amy Rudy, of Trumansburgh, by whom he had three daughters: Charlotte, Lucy, and Emma. Mr. Tichenor died in 1887, and his wife in 1880.

Cormish, Mary, widow of Dyer Cormish, was born in Newfield in 1839. Dyer Cormish, her deceased husband, was born in Lansing July 20, 1829. His occupation through life was that of a farmer. His father, Hiram, was a native of Tompkins county, always following farming, owning his farm until within a few years of his death. He married Abigail Patchen, of Lansing, and they had seven children, the husband of our subject being next to the oldest. He died at the age of sixty-four years. He was always an active Republican.

Cole, Frank C., was born in the town of Caroline, April 30, 1853, a son of William D., a native of Pompey, Onondaga county, who died in Ithaca in 1899. William D. was the father of nine children, of whom Frank was the third son. The latter was educated at the public schools and at the age of seventeen he began learning the tinner's trade. He afterwards came to Ithaca, where he was employed with Mr. Fillingham for eight years, and then went with Treman, King & Co., as foreman, where he has ever since been engaged. Mr. Cole is a member of the K. of P., the I. O. R. M., and of the R. A. In 1871 he became a member of the Fire Department, and he is now serving his fifth term as chief. In 1876 Mr. Cole married Lydia A. Kingsbury, daughter of John H. Kingsbury, a retired grocer of this city, and they have had two children, both deceased.

Cooper, William, was born in Ulster county, September 29, 1808. His father, Charles, was a native of Connecticut, who settled in Ulster county on a farm, and

moved in 1816 to this county, where in 1864 he died. He married Betsey, daughter of Orsemous North, of Ulster county, and they had eight children. William, our subject, lived at home until his twenty-third year, when he started for himself. He also worked for the D. L. & W. Railroad a short time. At the age of twenty-five in November, 1832, he married Abigail, daughter of Henry Seely, of this county. He has had four children: Charles H., Ezelia, Elosia, and Homer, the latter two deceased. Mr. Cooper's education was acquired in the common schools and he has lived on his present farm ever since his marriage. He is Republican in politics.

Chase, D. Wesley, was born in Groton, April 6, 1827, a son of David K., a native of Vermont, born June 5, 1797, an axmaker and shoemaker by trade, who came to Groton with his parents about 1800. In 1819 he married Bathsheba Leonard, born in 1803, a daughter of Andrew and Anna (Morton) Leonard, natives of Vermont, and they had four children: Leonard W., Hardin W., D. Wesley, and Anna Jane. In 1838 Mr. Chase went to Toledo, O., where he spent the remainder of his life. His widow married Aaron Hotchkiss, and died in Cortland. The parents of David were Amariah and Sophia Chase, of Vermont, who came to Groton and settled on the soldier's claim of Mr. Chase, he having served in the Revolution, and been in General Washington's service. The family dates back in America, to one Aquilla Chase, son of Sir Robert Chase, who was grandfather to Sir William Townley, who joined Charles Stewart at Manchester and was taken prisoner at the Battle of Bannockburn. He was executed for high treason, his property confiscated, and in 1844 the estate was released from confiscation by Lord Brougham. Aquilla came to Hampton, N. H. from Cornwall, England, in 1639. He was born in 1618. D. Wesley Chase was bound out at the age of seven to a farmer named Martin Howe where he remained until fourteen years of age, then learned the blacksmith's trade, farming on shares, etc., and in 1852 went to California where he engaged in mining for two years, then returned to Lansing. Later he bought two farms in Homer, which he conducted for seven years then sold and went to Groton, where he bought and sold again. In 1870 he removed to Lansing and bought a place of 106 acres, where he has since lived, and to which he has added fifty acres. In 1846 he married Phoebe Ann Howe, daughter of Martin and Zillah (Buck) Howe, of Lansing, who was born in 1823. Mr. and Mrs. Chase have had five children: Lovinus and Lovina (twins), born in 1847; Oscar E., born in 1850; John Wesley, born in 1852; Marietta, born in 1860, wife of George H. Strong, of Lansing. Lovina married J. J. Chase, of Mason, Ill. Lovinus died at the age of eleven. Oscar was killed by the cars in Cincinnati, O.

Beers, Fred E., was born in Waverly, June 29, 1861, and came to the town of Danby with his father, A. J. Beers. In 1863 he bought what was known as the George Adriance property, comprising 260 acres, and here he now resides. A. J. Beers died February 24, 1891, leaving his estate to our subject and his brothers. In 1885 he bought the property known as the Allen place, of eighty acres. Fred E. was educated in the district schools, to which he has added by reading and intelligent observation, also taking a course of business preparation at Eastman's College, Poughkeepsie. Mr. Beers is a Republican in politics, and takes much interest in educational matters, having served as trustee of the school for some time. He is also steward of the M. E. church of South Danby. He handles fertilizers, etc., and his principal crops are hay and grain. At the age of twenty-one he married Annie, daughter of George Denniston, and they have one daughter, Mertie.

Mandeville, the Rev. Gerrit, was born at Pompton Plains, Morris county, N. J., on the 9th day of April, 1775. Of his ancestors, we only know that they came from Holland at an early day and settled near New Amsterdam. His father was a farmer, presumably a good one, certainly a careful one, as we learn from an anecdote which has come down from Revolutionary times, in which it is said: General Washington, while making his house headquarters, paid his farming a compliment by taking him to task as being unduly particular, in taking up and resetting one of a long line of posts in a new post-and-rail fence, because it had not been set quite deep enough. According to the Dutch custom of that time, of educating the bright boy for a preacher, Gerrit seems to have been dedicated to the ministry while quite young, and his studies directed towards it. He entered Hackensack Academy at an early age, and made so good progress that at the age of thirteen he was fitted for the high school of Flatbush, Long Island, known as Erasmus Hall. Here he completed his classical studies; becoming very proficient in Latin, Greek and Hebrew, as well as Dutch, in which language he preached much of the time while on his first charge; in fact, Dutch was his mother tongue, and English the second language he acquired. He studied divinity under Dr. John Livingston, and entered the ministry of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church when twenty-two years of age. He was first settled in the town of Warwarsing, Ulster county, N. Y., where, and in the adjoining town of Rochester, he preached alternately about five years. While there he married a Miss Maria De Witt, of Warwarsing, a cousin of Simeon De Witt; and there his first son was born. At that time the conquest of the western wilderness had become the great ambition of the enterprising of the East; and Central and Western New York were the Great West to New England and New York then. Scouts went thither and brought back wonderful stories of the grandeur of its forests and the fertility of its soil; often bringing some of the earth with them to prove their statements. Armies for the conquest of this northern El Dorado were being recruited in every hamlet of the East; and Warwarsing contributed its full quota, no doubt stimulated in this by their townsman, Simeon De Witt, surveyor-general of the State, who had taken much interest in the settlement of Central New York. The subject of this sketch concluded to join the army of occupation; so one day in 1804 he mounted his horse and started for the wilds of the West—more wild then, perhaps, than now can be found between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. After a long ride through the wilderness he reached the hamlet of Ithaca at the head of Cayuga Lake. Here he found a Presbyterian Church newly organized, consisting of thirteen members, to whom he preached, and from whom he received a call to be their settled pastor. In the following year he brought his family from Ulster county, and was installed pastor of the little church. He held service here and at Trumansburgh on alternate Sundays until about 1812, when he removed to the town of Caroline in the same county, where he organized a Reformed Dutch Church—the church of his fathers—with which he remained connected during the remainder of his life, as pastor for twenty-five years, and as occasional supply until his death. Mr. Mandeville was a man of much learning and ability; and his influence was for good, in the literary advancement of the town of his adoption, as well as were his moral and religious teachings. He taught school, preached, and cleared up a new farm, leading a life uneventful, perhaps, but active and useful. The Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler was one of his pupils; and that eminent divine tells with pleasure of the years he spent in study, on the farm among

the hills of Caroline, with the good dominie. Those social reforms which came into prominence during his lifetime, temperance and abolition, had, as was fitting, his most earnest advocacy. He proclaimed and talked against the drink evil, when to do so was to run counter to the current of general thought and practice, even among the educated and moral class of that community. And so with slavery; while its apologists had the chief seats in the synagogue, it met with his most unqualified condemnation. While the cause of temperance made great advances during his life, becoming popular instead of being a term of derision, abolition was still a by-word and reproach at the time of his death in 1853. Of his ten children, seven survived him.

Lawrence, Azel, was born in Otsego county, N. Y., December 31, 1822. His father came to Tompkins in 1835. Azel Lawrence was educated in the common schools to which he has added through life by reading and close observation and is pre-eminently a self-educated and self-made man. At the age of twenty-seven he married Mary A., daughter of Isaac S. Smith, who was a very prominent contractor and builder in the town. They are the parents of one daughter, Mrs. May I. Elston, of Ithaca. In 1855 he bought the Isaac S. Smith farm of 110 acres, raising hay, grain and stock. He takes the Democratic side in politics and an active interest in educational and religious matters. Our subject is one of the leading and substantial men of his town, of conservative character and recognized integrity. He has been a director in the Dryden and Groton Fire Insurance Company for twelve years, and is identified with the best interests of the town.

Lormor, James, Sr., was born in the town of Dryden, August 4, 1818, and was educated in the common schools, after leaving which he went to farming, which he has made his life business, being known throughout his town as a successful and practical farmer. At the age of twenty-six he was married to Lorinda Hamblin, who died in 1853 leaving two children, and in 1855 he married Minerva E. Hopkins. They have had four children, three of whom are now living, two sons and one daughter, James E., William H. and Isabella H. Those who have passed away are Margaret C., the eldest, Mary E., and one son, Lee H. In 1862 he bought what was known as the Godfrey property of sixty-five acres; in 1870 he bought the Bradshaw property of seventy acres, and in 1872 he bought the Carpenter place on South Hill of seventy acres, and in 1878 he bought a beautiful residence in the village of Dryden, where he now resides. He also owns a farm in Virgil, Cortland county. Our subject is one of the substantial men of his town, being respected for his energy and ability.

Lormor, Robert H., was born in Dryden June 10, 1845. His father, William Lormor, came to the town of Dryden in 1826, and settled at Malloryville, where he bought a farm and remained for thirty-eight years. Robert H. was educated in the common schools, to which he has added through life by reading and close observation. At the age of thirty-one he married Loretta Givens, and they are the parents of one son, A. T. Lormor. In 1885 he bought the Thomas Givens property of 110 acres, raising hay, grain and stock, and making a specialty of dairying. Our subject is known throughout his town as a conservative, independent man, taking an intelligent interest in church and school matters, and identified in advancing the best interests of his town.

Lang, John B., was born in Stockport, Columbia county, N. Y., December 22, 1833. When about two years old his parents moved into the State of Massachusetts, town of Great Barrington, where his boyhood days were spent and his education acquired. At the age of seventeen years he was apprenticed to learn the machinist trade at New Hartford, Conn. At the expiration of his apprenticeship he returned to Great Barrington where he worked at his trade for a few months, then accepted a position with the Curtis Calendar Clock Co., of Hartford, Conn., with whom he remained three years in Hartford and one year in New York city. He then went to Pittsfield, Mass., where he remained working at his trade until 1865, when he removed to Ithaca, and formed a partnership with James S. Reynolds in a general foundry and machine business, under the firm name of Reynolds & Lang, which business has continued ever since. In 1870 the firm commenced the manufacture of steam engines in connection with their other business, and now make the building of engines a specialty. Mr. Lang is a Republican and served the then village of Ithaca four years as trustee. He is now the president of the local board of the Central City Building and Loan Association (of Syracuse, N. Y.), and is a trustee of the First Baptist Church; also secretary of the East Lawn Cemetery, and a trustee of Y. M. C. A. In 1856 he was made a Mason in Daskam Lodge No. 84, and is now a member of Hobasco Lodge No. 716 this city. Mr. Lang married Frances G. Patterson, of Glastonbury, Conn. Three children have been born to them, of which one, Bessie G., is now living; is sixteen years of age, and a student of the Ithaca Conservatory of Music.

Latta, Elmer M., was born August 6, 1829, and educated in Orange county. At the age of twenty-one he came to Candor, where he was employed as foreman on the building of the D. L. & W. R. R., remaining with this company nine years. In 1883 he located in Ithaca, where he has ever since made his home, with the exception of a year and a half spent in Iowa. In 1858 he went into the wood working shop where Mr. Hollister now is, and in 1875 he engaged in the ice business in this town, which he followed thirteen years, and has since been in the shop. Mr. Latta is a Republican in politics and has held the office of trustee of the village of Ithaca during the years 1872-73-76-77-78-79. He is a member of the Park Baptist Church, of which he is a deacon and a trustee. He is also a member of the R. A., and a director of the P. C., also of the Y. M. C. A. In 1853 Mr. Latta married Louisa Hollister, of Ithaca, and they had one son, Frank E., born January 1, 1855, and graduated from the "old Ithaca Academy" in June, 1873; he was injured April 7, 1879, by being thrown from his horse, which resulted in his death three days after.

Lane, Jacob, was born in Ulster county, April 3, 1820. His father, Richard Lane, was a native of that county, and moved to Tompkins county when our subject was but six years of age. He married at the age of twenty-five Edie North, of Ulster county, and they had eight children, of whom Jacob was the third. He has always followed farming and lumbering, working at home till the age of twenty-five, when he married Sarah Hoose, a native of Caroline. They had two daughters: Frank A., who married at the age of nineteen a Mr. Charles Regodar; and Mary who married at the age of twenty-one Mr. De Witt Van Etten. Mr. Lane has been twice married; his present wife was Elrie J. Hollister, of the town of Candor.

Lyon, Marcus, was born in Cayuga county, September 23, 1827. His early life was spent in his native county. He was educated at Yale College, graduating with the

class of 1852 and came to Ithaca the same year, where he began the study of law with the late Judge Boardman. He was admitted to the bar in 1854 and in 1856 was elected district attorney by a majority of over 1200, being appointed by the combined vote of a candidate supported by the Democrat and American parties and was re-elected in 1860. Soon after this Judge Lyon removed to the West, resigning his position. Returning he resumed the practice of his profession, and was appointed postmaster in 1869. In 1873 he was elected county judge and twice re-elected, making twenty-one years he was connected with the judicial bench of this county. He has been prominently identified with the public schools of the county, and served one term as school commissioner for the second district. He is a member of the Masonic order and a Knight Templar. He married in 1855 Susan, daughter of Philip Schuyler, and they have had five children: Philip Schuyler, a graduate of Cornell, was killed in a cable car accident in Chicago June 1, 1890; Lucy is the wife of Walter C. Kerr, of New York; Laura is the wife of Otis L. Williams, New York; Mary lives at home, and Newell is a student in Cornell University.

Lamont, John D., was born in the Highlands of Scotland, July 3, 1834, and came to the United States with his parents in 1843. His father, Peter Lamont, settled in the town of Dryden the same year, coming from Albany to Ithaca by canal boat. Our subject was educated in the common schools and finished at the Cortland Academy, after leaving which he taught school winters and worked on his father's farm summers. At the age of thirty-one he was married to Miss Laura Givens, and they are the parents of one daughter, Miss Emma Lamont. In 1865 he bought what is known as the Ananias Scofield property of fifty acres, to which he afterwards added over seventy-five acres adjoining, making a beautiful farm of 127 acres. He also owns a timber lot bought of A. S. Clarke. In 1878 he erected a handsome residence which he now occupies. He is a Republican and also takes an active interest in educational and religious matters. Our subject is one of the leading men in his town, being recognized as a conservative, independent citizen and a practical and successful farmer.

Lewis, Lorenzo, was born in Harford, Cortland county, July 11, 1834. The family came from Vermont and settled in Cortland county. Lorenzo Lewis was educated in the common schools, but is pre-eminently a self-made and self-educated man. He bought his time when fourteen years old, giving his father \$50, and came to Tompkins and hired out to Deacon John Tyler. At the age of twenty-five he married Miss Harriet C. Hair, daughter of Joseph Hair, who passed away in 1882, and in 1889 he married Miss Clara Mespell, and they have one son, Ernest W. Lewis, and two daughters, Mrs. Nellie Colton and Grace C. Lewis. In 1854 he bought part of the Deacon Tyler farm, and in 1859 he bought the balance of the Tyler estate. In 1862 he bought part of the Olivia Tyler farm, and in 1863 he bought part of the Wm. Hubbell farm, having 122 acres, raising hay, grain and stock, and making a specialty of dairying. Our subject is one of the leading farmers in his town, identified with the best interests of his town and keeping abreast of the times.

Luckey, Henry, was born in Poughkeepsie, November 12, 1831, and came here with his parents when an infant. He was educated in the common schools, with two years at Ithaca Academy, and has always followed farming. February 16, 1853, he married Susan, daughter of James Colegrove, of Ulysses, and they have one daughter,

Marietta, who married Jay C. Mott, of this town, and has two children: Mabel L. and Homer C. Robert T., father of our subject, was born in Dutchess county at the old homestead September 17, 1807. He was a well educated man, and November 12, 1829, married Barbara Du Bois, of his native town, a lady of French Huguenot nativity. They had one son, Henry, as noted above. He died January 1, 1839, and his widow married second William Willis, of Enfield. She died August 29, 1875. Mrs. Luckey's father, James Colegrove, was born June 22, 1806, and August 19, 1827, he married Maria Vann, who was born near New Brunswick, N. J., September 14, 1805. They had ten children, seven of whom grew to maturity: Caroline, John, Susan, and Samuel (twins), Louisa, David, and Eleanor A. Mrs. Luckey's grandfather, Samuel Vann, lived to the age of 105 years. An ancestor of Mr. Luckey was a soldier in the Revolution, and our subject owns the musket he carried in that war, together with many interesting heirlooms of the family.

Lupton, G. M., was born in the town of Dryden, August 15, 1827. His father, Nathan Lupton, came from Orange county, N. Y., about 1800 and was one of the first settlers in the town. Our subject was educated in the common schools and finished at the Dryden Academy and afterwards returned to his father's farm. At the age of twenty-seven he married Caroline Weaver, daughter of Henry B. Weaver, and they are the parents of four children, three sons: Henry B., Seward G., and Edward B. and one daughter, Hattie M. At the death of his father, which occurred in 1864, he inherited the Lupton homestead of 250 acres, where he now resides. In 1870 he bought what was known as the Platt Knickerbocker property of 100 acres, having 350 acres of some of the best farming land in the town. He takes the Democratic side in politics and an intelligent interest in educational and religious matters. Our subject is one of the largest farmers in his town, where he is recognized as practical and successful.

Lormore, James C., was born in Newark Valley, Tioga county, N. Y., April 22, 1842, and educated here in the common schools and finished at the Dryden High School. His father, Thomas Lormore, came to the town of Virgil in 1857 and purchased the Tyler farm of one hundred acres. In 1866 he bought the Amos Lewis place to which he removed. Our subject enlisted March 17, 1862, in Co. I, Seward's Infantry, N. Y. Volunteers, and served in Burnside's expedition into North Carolina, South Mountain and Antietam, Burnside's march from Maryland to Fredericksburg, and was also at the bombardments of Forts Sumter and Wagner. He went up the Shenandoah Valley with Sheridan. December 25, 1864, he left for Washington and was incorporated in Gen. U. S. Grant's army lying between the James and Appomattox Rivers. He received an honorable discharge April 17, 1865. On returning home he was married to Ella Tanner, daughter of Barnham S. Tanner, of Dryden and they are the parents of one son, Eugene Lormore. He takes the Republican side in politics, and has served his town as street commissioner, overseer of the poor, etc. In the spring of 1893 he opened a ready-made clothing and gent's furnishing store, in Dryden, in which line he is the leading merchant in his town.

Luther, Orson, was born in Groton, January 1, 1833. His father, Philip Luther, came from Dutchess county in 1802 when he was nineteen years of age. Orson Luther was educated in the common schools, to which he has added by reading and close observation. He lived on his father's farm until he was twenty-one, and then

married Miss Mary L. Sherwood, daughter of William Sherwood, of Varna. He left the homestead farm in 1859 and moved to Varna, living there six years, and in 1867 bought the Red Mills of Freeville, which he remodeled and soon established a well deserved reputation throughout the town and county, and remained there fifteen years. In 1881 he sold the mill and moved into the village of Freeville, where he has taken a prominent part in advancing its best interests, being president of the village. He has filled the offices of road commissioner and assessor. He is Democratic in politics, and the town being strongly Republican indicates the standing of our subject, a man who deserves and retains the respect of all with whom he comes in contact.

Lormor, Andrew W., was born in the town of Dryden, July 7, 1835. His father, Thomas Lormor, came to the county in 1812 and in 1815 bought the property of John Lawrence, of New York city, consisting of 106 acres, where his son now resides. Thomas Lormor died in 1874 at the age of eighty-two years, a man of ability and strict integrity. Andrew W. Lormor was educated in the common schools and is a self-educated and self-made man. At the age of twenty-seven he married Miss Harriet Ford, daughter of Major Ford, of Peruville, Tompkins county. They have three children, one son, Thomas M., and two daughters, Mrs. Ernest W. Hanford, of Ithaca, and Miss Nellie Lormor. He takes a decided interest in temperance principles, and also in educational and religious matters. He is a practical and successful farmer, making a specialty of dairying.

Lathrop, Joseph A., was born in Cayuga county, February 8, 1853, and came to Tompkins in 1893. In 1892 he bought the Daniel Bills farm of sixty-eight acres, on which he makes a specialty of dairying, running a De Laval cream and milk separator and a Babcock milk tester, and has just built a model dairy room, and produces fancy Jersey butter from a pure Jersey herd. At the age of thirty-six he married Jennie, daughter of John W. Burr, of Dryden, and they are the parents of one son, Fred B. Our subject is one of the most progressive and intelligent farmers of his town, taking an active part in advancing its best interests.

Landon, Albert H., was born in Brookton, May 14, 1856. In early life he followed farming with his father, Sextus B. Landon, and at the age of eighteen started for himself, learning the trade of millwright, at which he worked for seventeen years. He has built a fine residence in Brookton, and on October 1, 1892, he married Cora B. Ault, daughter of Freeman Ault, of Elmira, the wedding taking place in his own home. Mr. Landon has never aspired to political office, but is a Republican in politics.

Lamont, A. B., was born in the town of Dryden, October 16, 1855. His father, A. B. Lamont, was also born in the town of Dryden, March 10, 1830. He spent his life as a farmer, where his son now resides. The family originally came from Edinburgh, Scotland. Our subject was educated in the common schools and finished at the Union School, of Moravia. At the age of eighteen he married Alice M. Hubbard, daughter of W. B. Hubbard, and they are the parents of three children, two sons, Lee H., and Chas T., and one daughter, Louise P. Lamont. He takes the Democratic side in politics, and an active interest in school and church matters. He is one of the prominent farmers of his vicinity, having 200 acres of fine farm land, and raising large quantities of hay, grain and stock. The family inherit from their

Scotch ancestry the trait of thrift, and are known as conservative and independent men.

Luce, George N., was born in Lansing, October 20, 1839, the son of Israel Luce, also of this town, who was born in 1802, and was a millwright and carpenter. The latter was a prominent man in the town, and held various offices of trust. He was also colonel in the State militia. He married first Lemira Comfort, by whom he had these children: Emeline, who died young, Eleanor (deceased), James, Catharine (deceased), Warren, Sarah and Franklin. Franklin was a soldier and died in Libby prison. He married second Catharine, a sister of his first wife, and they had these children: Matilda, George N., Mary, Martha, Chauncey, Emma and Willis. Israel died in 1883, and his wife in 1893. He was a son of Franklin Luce, one of the pioneer settlers of this town. George N. Luce was educated in the common schools, and remained on the farm until the age of twenty-seven, when he began for himself, and in 1871 he bought the place of seventy-five acres on which he has since lived. In 1866 he married Rebecca M. Teeter. Mrs. Luce's mother died September 19, 1891, at the age of seventy-six years, mourned by all who knew her. Our subject and wife have had five children: Hattie E., born October 6, 1867, wife of Alson E. Buck, of Lansing; Maggie M., born May 31, 1874, died young; Frank, born May 11, 1878, died in infancy; George R., born April 23, 1883; and William A., born November 14, 1885. Mr. Luce is a Prohibitionist in politics, and he and wife are members of the Baptist Church.

The first Le Barre came to this country from France in the year 1730. He was a French Huguenot, and came over with others during the reign of Louis XIV. He lived to be one hundred and five years old. As he settled near Philadelphia, his children married mostly among the Germans and Hollanders. He had one son and one grandson who lived to be over one hundred years old. One of his descendants, George La Barre, married one Catherine Bloom, who moved from Pennsylvania to Tompkins county with a family of six boys and one girl. After living here several years he returned, with all of his family except two (Abraham and John) to the vicinity of Williamsport, Pa. Abraham, who married (before coming to this county) one Anna Christina Stribi, left seven boys and three girls, of whom there are four living in the town of Lansing at the present time, viz., Jesse, Henry and James Le Barre, and Catherine Le Barre-Fish. Of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren there are seventy-five: nearly all residing in this county. John married Jane McGowan and left one son, Wm. Le Barre, who still resides in Lansing. Caleb B. was born in Lansing August 15, 1839, the son of Elijah, of Lansing, born in 1809, who was the son of Abraham Le Barre, the first settler by that name in Lansing. He was a soldier in the war of 1812. Elijah married Amanda, daughter of Richard and Lydia Manning, of Ithaca. They reared six children: Ira, who died while young; Caleb B., Johanna, wife of Warren Miller, of Farmer, Seneca county; Amy, deceased wife of Charles Price, of Ithaca; Richard V., Lydia, wife of Theron Manning, of Ithaca. Our subject was reared to farm life, and attended the district schools until the age of fifteen, then entered the Ithaca Academy. About 1867 he, with his brother Richard, bought a farm in Dryden, which they traded some time later, and finally our subject bought the place where he now resides, and is engaged in mixed farming and dairying, having for nine years sold milk at retail in Ithaca, selling now at wholesale.

May 31, 1859, he married Helen, daughter of Joseph and Letitia Iredell, of Jacksonville, N. Y., born March 6, 1838. Mr. and Mrs. Le Barre have had two children: Allen E., born July 28, 1860; and Myron, born January 4, 1863. Our subject and wife are members of the Grange at Ithaca, and Mr. Le Barre is a Democrat in politics. Allen E. married Laura Welch, by whom he has two children: Nellie and Herbert; Myron married Susan Bennett, by whom he has two children, Harry and Willie.

Kirby, Jonas W., was born in Northamptonshire, England, October 8, 1828, and came to the United States at the age of sixteen, locating in the town of Caroline, and moving two months later to Ulysses. February 18, 1854, he married Martha E. Richardson, formerly of Connecticut, and they have one adopted son, Christopher M., who is a stenographer in the Fisheries Department at Washington, D. C., and is studying in the Columbia Law School of that place. Mr. Kirby's father, Thomas, was born at the old homestead in England in 1806, and married Rachel Welch, of Casgrove, that shire, by whom he had four children: Jonas W., Reuben, Thomas and Robert. The family, except Jonas W., landed at Ithaca May 15, 1842. He died May 31, 1887, and his wife May 15, 1841. Mrs. Kirby's father, William Richardson, married Esther Barnes, of the town of Canaan, Conn., and they had six children; Polly, Gilbert, Edward, Huldah, William and Martha E. Mrs. Kirby's mother died when the daughter was six years old. The latter lived in Dutchess county four years then came to Ulysses with Jacob Arnold, in November, 1844. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kirby were residents of the town of Caroline eleven years. He is a member of Trumansburgh Lodge No. 157 F. & A. M., also of Fidelity Chapter No. 77, R. A. M. and of St. Augustine Commandery of Ithaca No. 38. He has served as assessor fifteen years.

Kyle, Edmond H., M. D., was born near Pittsburg, Pa., September 27, 1848. He was educated in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, after taking a private preparatory course. His degree was granted from the university in 1876, and he immediately located in Havana, where he remained but a short time and then removed to Enfield, where he was engaged in the practice of his profession until September 11, 1882, the date of his coming to Ithaca. The doctor has now an enviable reputation as a successful practitioner, and has a host of friends. He was for three years coroner of the county. He married in 1873 Ida A. Rice, of Pennsylvania, by whom he had four children. She died July 20, 1891.

King, Sylvester, was born in Ulysses near Willow Creek, December 1, 1826, and was educated in the schools of that day, following farming. November 17, 1849, he married Rachel King, of Greenwood, Steuben county, and they have one daughter, Addie A., who married Edward P. Boughton, of Trumansburgh, and their four children are: Harry M., Arthur E., Edward P., and Rachel K. Mr. King's father, John, was born in Chenango county, N. Y., in 1792, and came here at an early day. He married Elizabeth Genong, of Chenango county, and they had ten children who grew to maturity: Jehiel, Lucy, Judah, Hiram, Orrin, Sylvester, Aaron, Orsemus, Judson and Adonirum. They came to reside in this county about 1814, where his father died in 1875 and his wife about 1870. Mrs. King's father, Jeremiah, was born in Dutchess county, N. Y., in 1784 and came to this county in an early day. He married Sarah Campbell by whom he had thirteen children, twelve of whom grew to maturity:

Chauncey, Nancy, Diantha, Delaney, Cordancy, Samantha, John F., Hannah, Howells, Ann Catharine and Rachael. The father died in 1870 and the mother in 1846. Mrs. King's father was a soldier in the war of 1812.

Kirkendall, John S., M. D., was born in the town of Danby, January 31, 1854, a son of Samuel Kirkendall, a farmer. Our subject was educated in the common schools and Ithaca Academy, and at the age of twenty-one he began the study of medicine in the drug store of George W. Schuyler, going from there to Pulte Medical College, Cincinnati, where he spent one year, then to the Cleveland Homeopathic College, where he spent two years. He graduated from Cleveland College in 1880, commencing practice with Dr. David White, in Ithaca. Here he remained till August, 1883, and then went to New York, where he was with Drs. Agnew and Webster, making a special study of eye and ear work, at the New York Polyclinic. In January of the following year he returned to Ithaca and resumed practice, occupying a foremost position in the practice of his profession. Five months of the year 1890 he spent in Moorefield's Eye and Ear Hospital in London, England. In 1886-87 he held the office of village trustee, and in 1887 was appointed by President Cleveland pension examiner for this district, and was reappointed under the present administration. December 8, 1881, he married Sarah M. Johnson, of Jacksonville, by whom he has one daughter. In August, 1893, he gave up his general practice and now devotes his time exclusively to his specialty, that of the eye and ear.

Willson Herbert G., was born in the city of Ithaca, March 16, 1865, the youngest son of Wm. W. Willson (see biography). Herbert was educated in the common schools and Ithaca High School, and after leaving school he went into his father's store, where he remained until March 15, 1893, when he bought the hat store of Geo. W. Culver at No. 64 E. State street, where he has since conducted a business. He has a fine store, with twenty-six feet front and fifty feet deep. He carries a complete line of hats, furs, trunks and satchels, and is a representative of "Knox, the Hatter" of New York. Mr. Willson is a member of the Presbyterian church, and an active member of the Y. M. C. A. of this city. He was married in 1889, on October 2, to Donna L., daughter of William Frear (see biography).

Wheeler, Levi J., was born in Farmer Village, April 23, 1844; was educated in the public schools, removed to Trumansburgh in the fall of 1861, and embarked in the mercantile business first as clerk and afterwards on his own account. This he continued until 1884. In 1885 he established the banking house of L. J. Wheeler & Co., and has since carried on the banking business with much success. Mr. Wheeler has been prominent in all public enterprises in Trumansburgh, having been instrumental in the erection of the new Union School and Academy building, and is still president of the Board of Education.

Young, Ezra, jr., was born in Ulysses, November 21, 1860. He was educated in the public schools, and began clerking in his father's store at the age of twelve years. In 1888 he bought a half interest in the business, which he has conducted since in his father's absence in Florida. November 7, 1889, he married Grace Fulmer, of his native town, and they have one son, Lawrence, born January 16, 1891. Mr. Young's father, Ezra, sr., was born in Putnam county in 1823, was a merchant in New York city for a time, then came to Trumansburgh about 1858. He married Mary Willis, of

Ulysses, and they had five children: Ezra, jr., Arthur, William, Paul and Grace. The family resides in Orlanda, Fla. Ezra Young, jr., is a member of Taughannock Lodge No. 20, I. O. O. F., of Trumansburgh.

Yaple, J. J., was born in Caroline, February 18, 1834, and has followed farming from his boyhood, working at home with his father until he began for himself. This he did in the spring of 1855, working for over eight years by the month, and then working three years for Edward Hungerford. About three years previous to this he bought a farm, which he now lives on, consisting of 112 acres. In 1863 he married Mary, daughter of Smith Head of this town, and they have had two children: Affie M., a teacher in Caroline and a graduate of the Ithaca High School, who has taught eight terms; and Frank S., who resides at home.

Lobdell, Denton M., was born July 31, 1838, a son of Henry Lobdell, of Goshen, Orange county, born in 1795, and in 1826 came to East Lansing with his family, where he bought a farm. His wife was Dorothy Denton, of Orange county, by whom he had six children: Caroline, Amelia, Ebenezer, Stephen I., Jacob, and Denton. The grandfather of the latter was Ebenezer Lobdell, a native of England, who came to America and settled in Orange county. He raised ten children: Ebenezer, Jonathan, Nathan, Isaac, Henry, Mary, Deborah, Minerva, Annie, and Chloe. Denton was reared to farm life, and at the age of sixteen he, with his brother, rented and conducted their father's farm. At the age of twenty-three he bought a farm in East Lansing, sold the farm three years later, and interested himself in the manufacture of brick in Groton. A year later, (1868) he sold his interest there and bought the farm where he has since resided. He married in 1861 Melissa (born in 1841) daughter of Edwin G. and Cordelia Morgan, of South Lansing. They had five children: Charles, born in 1862; Dorothy, born in 1865, wife of Jason Newman, of North Lansing; Arthur, born in 1867; Ruth A., born in 1872; and Bertha, born in 1876. Mrs. Lobdell died in March, 1879, and in 1882 he married Catharine, daughter of Calvin and Caroline De Camp, of Lansing. Mr. Lobdell is a Free Mason and a Democrat.

Lyon, Nelson E., is the successor of the old firm of Lord & Burr, whose business as general merchants was founded about 1830. He has resided in Ludlowville since 1868. He was born in Wetumpka, Ala., January 10, 1838, a son of Isaac and Frances (Smith) Lyon. Isaac was a native of New York and moved to Alabama in 1836, where he was engaged in the banking business. He died in Rochester, N. Y., in 1839, and his widow married second Wells Southworth, of West Springfield, Mass., where they went to reside, Nelson E. remaining with his stepfather until the age of thirteen. He was educated at Westfield, Mass., Academy, Northwest Grammar School in Philadelphia, Pa., and the academy at Norristown, Pa., after which he engaged in the jewelry business in Rochester, N. Y. In 1858 he accepted a position as actuary of the City Fire Insurance Company of New Haven, Conn., remaining there about two years; from thence he went to St. Louis, Mo., and again engaged in the jewelry business. Upon the breaking out of the Rebellion in 1861 he removed to New York city, which place he made his home for the following five years, during 1861 and 1862 furnishing army supplies to the war department for different sections of the United States. In the fall of 1862 he fitted out an expedition to the Pacific coast of South America, taking divers and diving gear from Boston, the object being to locate

the treasure of the ship *Leocadia*, which was wrecked off the coast of Ecuador in the year 1801, having on board a large amount of Peruvian specie en route for Old Spain. The wreck was located by means of a son of one of the divers, who dove on the vessel in 1812. The expedition was afterward extended on to the pearl fishing banks of Salango, off the coast of Ecuador, in 1863. The following year he returned via the Isthmus of Panama, and on the voyage, while off the coast of Florida, their vessel (the *Northern Light*) was chased by a confederate cruiser (the *Florida*) and narrowly escaped capture. On returning, to the United States he settled in Lambertville, N. J., in the jewelry business, and in 1868 removed to Ludlowville, N. Y., where he has since resided, and succeeded to the general merchandise business of Lord & Burr. In 1873 he was elected to the office of justice of the peace, and has held that office continuously ever since. He has also served as notary public for nearly the same length of time. In 1884 he was appointed postmaster under the administration of Grover Cleveland. In politics he is a Democrat, and for many years a member of the Executive Committee of the county organization. He is also a Mason and an Odd Fellow. In 1865 he married Lucie R., daughter of General Adams C. and Abby Davis, of Lambertville, N. J. Their children are: Frances R., Elizabeth D., and Lucie E., the latter of whom was married to Newton D. Chapman, M.D., of Ludlowville, N. Y., in 1893.

Wyckoff, Jesse, the pioneer of this family in Lansing, was born December 15, 1785, and his wife, Susanna Brown, was born May 25, 1789. Their children were as follows: John, Ira, Levi, and Anna. Ira was born October 25, 1812, and died June 12, 1884. He married Julia Ann Ozmun, and their children were: William O., John, Levi, Ai, Ira Alvin, Julia Ann, wife of Tompson Metzgar, Sylvester, Henry, Charles H., and Susie. His wife died February 23, 1871, and he married second Cristina Metzgar, by whom he had four children: Louie B., Frank, George, and Jesse. Charles H. Wyckoff is well known throughout Tompkins county as an extensive and successful poulterer. He was born in Lansing, October 9, 1851, the son of Ira Wyckoff of that town. At the age of fifteen he left the farm and learned the machinist's trade, at which he worked about twelve years. Leaving his trade he then established a marble business at Ludlowville, which he conducted about two years, and then established a milk route in Ithaca. In March, 1881, Mr. Wyckoff bought the Fisher farm in Groton and came here to reside. In connection with his farm work he began studying the subject of poultry raising, and in 1883 began that enterprise, starting with a flock of less than 100 fowls. Being successful he increased the capacity of his yards, until finally he raised from 1,500 to 2,000 chickens, all thoroughbred White Leghorns, and now operates a highly successful business, both in the line of general farming and poultry raising. September 25, 1874, he married Lillie Ida, daughter of James and Nancy Bidwell, of Uhrichsville, O., and they have one son, Elmer Leroy.

Metzgar, Caspar, who for many years was known as one of Groton's enterprising farmers, was born in Cayuga county, a son of Jonas and Mary (Merwin) Metzgar. Caspar married Esther, daughter of Samuel and Margaret Newman, and had eleven children, as follows: Serepta, wife of Henry Smith; Satira, wife of Matt H. Stevens; Amelia; Newman; Margaret, wife of King Wildman; Almena; Miles; Frank E.; Horton; Leo, who lives on the homestead farm; Flora, wife of Hosea Curtis. Cas-

par died in Groton, January 23, 1883, and his wife died in February, 1873. Frank E. Metzgar was born in Groton, September 5, 1853, and has lived on his present farm for the past eighteen years. The buildings he himself erected, and though containing only sixty-two acres it is among the most desirable in Groton. October 26, 1875, Frank E. married Susie, daughter of Ira and Julia Ann (Ozmun) Wyckoff, and they have had four children.

Egbert, Peter V., a native of Lansing, born February 19, 1836, was a son of John C., a native of New Jersey, born in 1794, who came to Tompkins county at an early day with his parents, James and Elizabeth (Cool) Egbert, of New Jersey, who reared seven children. Of these John C. was the oldest. He was reared to farm life, but was a natural mechanic, and throughout his life did much work in that line. He was also engaged for many years in the lumber business, and furnished material for many of the early buildings in the vicinity and in Cayuga county. He married Azuba Wickham, of Cayuga county, by whom he had six children. William J., John M., Peter V., Sally Ann, wife of Zenas Tichenor, of Lansing, Cynthia, and Azuba, who died aged twenty. Mr. Egbert took an active part in the affairs of his town and county, particularly in its military affairs of that date, being colonel of a rifle regiment. He died in 1870, and his wife about five years later. Our subject was reared on the farm, and attended the common schools until the age of sixteen, when he and his brother William went to California, in 1852, via the Isthmus of Panama; was detained two weeks in Panama, and after four days at sea was caught in a gale and wrecked, but by persistent bailing by the passengers and crew were enabled to reach the port of Acapulco, Mex., and four days later resumed their journey. Over forty of the four hundred passengers died during the gale and were dropped in the sea. They remained in California three years, during which time they engaged in ranching, threshing, etc., having shipped a ten horse power threshing machine around Cape Horn, which arrived at San Francisco several months later and which, as far as known, was the first large thresher in the State, and which earned for its owners over three thousand five hundred dollars in gold, as a result of its first season's use. Mr. Egbert, in 1856, married Elizabeth Teeter, daughter of John and Julia (Bloom) Teeter, of Lansing, and they have five children: Charles M., born in 1859; Clella M., wife of J. D. Raymond, of Ithaca; John T., who married Amadella Townley; Mary Alice, wife of La Verne Main, of Lansingville; and Willis R. The subject of this sketch, after marrying, bought and sold several farms in this county, and one in Cayuga county, on which he lived six years, also lived in South Jersey three years, and in 1872 made a trip overland to California. In the fall of 1872 he bought his present farm, where he has since remained. Mr. Egbert is of English ancestry, who were among the very early settlers in and about New York.

Kimple, John, who died January 12, 1851, was an early settler on the lake shore in the town of Lansing, and there he established a good farm, coming from New Jersey. His wife, Elizabeth, died March 20, 1850. Their children were William and John, both of whom are dead; Sylvester, who lives in Lima, N. Y.; Daniel, who died young; Rachael, who married Alex Gray. William Kimple lived in Lansing, and later moved to West Groton. December 22, 1820, he married Mary, daughter of John H. Houpt. She was born June 14, 1791 in Lansing. Their children were Pythena, wife of Lewis Cutter; Elizabeth Ann, and Henry N. William died January 16, 1887,

aged ninety years, and his wife Mary died June 6, 1870, aged seventy-nine years. John N. Houpt (father of Wm. Kimple's wife, Mary Houpt) was born in New Jersey, moved from there on to a farm on the east side of Cayuga Lake in the town of Lansing about 1798. Mr. Houpt married Ann Snyder and died at the age of ninety years; Ann (Snyder) Houpt died in the year 1796. Henry N., youngest child of William and Mary, was born May 6, 1839, and has always lived on a farm. In April, 1861, he bought the Henry Carter farm, west of West Groton village. November 29, 1860, Mr. Kimple married Ellen S., daughter of Daniel S. and Saphronia Swazey, pioneers of Groton. They have no children.

Guthrie, John, a native of Connecticut, moved to Aurora, N. Y., and at the age of twenty-one came to Groton, where he died March 16, 1846. His wife was Olive Wilson, whom he married September 7, 1800, and they had ten children; Polly, Thankful, Maria, William, Nancy, Saphronia, John W., Alson, Lyman H., and Olive W. The children of Daniel S. and Saphronia (Guthrie) Swazey were: John S., who died young; Ellen S., wife of Henry N. Kimple, and Olive W., who died in Groton, September 8, 1887. Daniel S. Swazey died in Groton May 4, 1889. He was a farmer and a man highly respected in the town.

Krum, M. C. was born in Ulster county July 20, 1815, a son of Simon Krum, born January 9, 1793, and he was a son of Hendrick W. Krum. At the age of twenty-one Simon built a log house for himself, and in place of this there now stands a fine building. July 3, 1813, he married Catharine Coons, daughter of Michael Coons, and they had six children: M. C., Ephraim, Nathan, Sarah, Susan Jane, and Catharine. Our subject lived with his grandfather, Michael Coons, for twenty-two years. He married Louisa M., daughter of Dennis Babcock, of Dryden, and they had three children, only one now living, H. S. Krum, who resides on a farm of his own near his father. George L. Krum died aged thirty, leaving a widow and one child, who is now nineteen and lives in Cleveland, O. Mr. Krum is a Republican, and has served as supervisor, overseer of the poor, etc., also trustee of the church and a member of the school board in this town.

Kline, Peter, was born on the old homestead farm, one half mile north of where he now lives, June 6, 1823. His parents came to the town of Ithaca from New Jersey and bought a farm of a Mr. Cradit, who owned at that time one of the original sections of the township of Ithaca, containing 600 acres. June 3, 1863, he married Emeline Winter, of Phillipsburgh, N. J., by whom he had four children, two now living, a son and a daughter. Mr. Kline is a Republican, and has served as assessor fourteen years. He is interested in educational matters, and recognized in his town as a man of high ability and of sterling worth. He is a member of the Congregational church of Ithaca.

Kelley, Dennis, was born in Lansing November 22, 1830, a son of John Kelley, also of Lansing, born January 9, 1795. His wife was Elizabeth Osbourne, of Lansing, born in 1802, a daughter of William and Margaret (Toane) Osbourne. They had seven children: William, Jane, John F., Mariette, Clarinda, Dennis and Lewis. The grandfather of our subject was John Kelley, a native of Orange county, who came to Lansing about 1793. Our subject lost his father when he was but eight years of age, and he then lived with his sisters for a time. At the age of twenty-four he married

Sarah, daughter of Jacob and Christiana (Ozmun) Shoemaker, who had filled the place of parents to him from his boyhood. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley then went to farming on a small place of thirty acres belonging to Mrs. Kelley, and in 1860 he purchased fifty-seven acres more. In 1865 he sold this farm and removed to Michigan where he bought a farm, sold it the same year, and returned to Lansing with his family, with team and wagon. He bought another farm a year later, sold and purchased the North Lansing hotel, which he conducted about four years. This he sold and bought another farm of 130 acres, which he still owns. Since 1890 he has leased his farm and devoted much time to carpentry. For many years he dealt in farm machinery, etc. Mr. Kelley is a Republican, and has served as constable and assessor. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley have had three children: D. M., born March 12, 1855, a practicing physician in Brookston, Ind.; Alma C., born August 1, 1857, wife of Daniel A. Tarbell; and Clarence W., born May 8, 1861. Mrs. Kelley died October 25, 1890, in her fifty-sixth year.

Kennedy, J. H., was born in the town of Dryden, December 11, 1838. His father was a native of Mount Pleasant, Pa., and was engaged in the business of tanner and currier. In 1835 he came to the town of Dryden and established the same business, which he followed up to the time of his decease, which occurred in 1882. Our subject was educated in the common schools of Dryden and after leaving school engaged in business with his father, the same business which he now carries on, making a specialty of fine uppers and harness leather, and having an average yearly production of 20,000 sides. At the age of thirty-two he was married to Persis E. Sykes, daughter of Geo. M. Sykes, of Berkshire, Tioga county, Pa. They have four children, one son, William W., and three daughters, Carrie, Cora and Jennie. Our subject is Republican in politics and has been supervisor of the town for six years and chairman of the board for two years. He has also been a member of the Board of Education for several years, and is a trustee of the Presbyterian church, taking an active interest in educational and religious matters.

Kellogg, Joseph, was born in Newfield, November 18, 1825, a son of David, of Vermont, born in 1799, who came to this county when thirteen years of age with his father, Joseph, and his grandfather. The latter was an active and public spirited man, who kept a public house two miles south of the village of Newfield. David, father of our subject, married Sarah Colgrove and they had six children. Joseph worked at home until the age of twenty-eight, and in 1855 he married Samantha Ham, of Newfield, a daughter of Samuel Ham, and they have two children; the son is in Portland, Ore., and the daughter is Mrs. Tompkins, of Ithaca. He is a member of the Grange, and is a Democrat, having held the office of road commissioner.

King, the late J. Parker, was born in Covert, Seneca county, January 25, 1822, and was educated in the public schools and Lima Seminary. He served as supervisor of Trumansburgh and the town of Ulysses several terms, and was a teacher and superintendent of schools many years. April 12, 1849, he married Ann E. Crandall, daughter of one of the oldest residents of Trumansburgh. Mr. King came to Trumansburgh when three years old, from Seneca county, a member of one of the old families of that county. He died April 7, 1893. He was a true friend, a worthy husband, and good neighbor.

Haskin, Hiram L., was born in the town of Lansing April 27, 1858, a son of William S., who was also a native of the county, and a leading Republican of that town. Hiram L. was educated in Ithaca High school, with one year in Cornell University, class of '80, and a course in Eastman's Business College. Entering the employ of the well known drug firm of White & Burdick, in a short time he became an efficient druggist, and in 1881 formed a copartnership with Judson B. Todd and bought the west end drug store, one of the oldest establishments in this line in the county. This store was established in 1832 by B. S. Halsey and has always been conducted by capable and enterprising men, but at no time has it been more commercially prominent, or accorded a more liberal patronage, than it has since the name of our subject became connected with it. His efforts have met with a generous appreciation at the hands of the public, and to-day the west end drug store ranks well up among the most successful retail business enterprises of this county. In 1891 Mr. Haskin bought out the interest of Mr. Todd, and has since conducted the business alone. In politics he is a Democrat, has held the position of treasurer of the County Committee, and was chairman of the Young Men's Democratic Club in 1888. He has been an active member of the Fire Department ten years, is a past grand of Ithaca Lodge I. O. O. F., having passed all of the chairs, and a member of the Knights of Pythias. He married in 1884, Emma Hayes, of Macon, Mo., by whom he has one daughter.

Horton, Randolph, was born at Truxton, Cortland county, N. Y., on the 23d day of September, 1850. His father, Isaac Horton, was a native of Massachusetts, while his mother, Elnora Buell, claims Truxton as the place of her nativity. Mr. Horton at the age of fifteen entered the Cazenovia Seminary, intending to pursue a course of study there, but his parents soon after removing to Cortland village he entered the famous old Cortland Academy, remaining there till the opening of the Cortland Normal School; he pursued his studies in the academical department of the last named institution, graduating from the classical department at the age of twenty. He then entered Cornell University at Ithaca, and after completing his studies there returned to Cortland and commenced the study of law in the offices of Waters & Eggleston. He was admitted to practice as attorney and counselor in 1877, and at once settled in Newfield. Here he was soon after elected supervisor, which office he has filled for eleven terms and is at present the chairman of the county board. He has also been chairman of the Board of Education. His time and attention have, however, been mostly engrossed in the pursuit of his profession, which he has practiced with marked diligence and success. Recently he has formed a law copartnership with D. M. Dean, of Ithaca, and has with his family, removed to that city to reside. May 18, 1881, Mr. Horton married Adah A. Puff, daughter of J. L. Puff, a prominent merchant of Newfield; they have two children, Edith L., now five years of age, and Carroll R., now two years old. Mr. Horton is an Odd Fellow, and in politics a Democrat.

Dudley, P. S., was born in Newfield, May 2, 1824. George Dudley, his father, was born in the town of Ithaca, and was a son of William, who went from Wales to Bristol, England, then to this country, he being a blacksmith and farmer. George Dudley left home when a boy and became a merchant, locating in this town. He married Fannie, daughter of Ira Smith, of Ulysses, and they had six children. Of these

our subject was the second. His occupation until he was twenty-four was farming. At the age of eighteen he lost his father, and the working of the homestead devolved upon him. He worked this five years, then went as a clerk, and later bought the business and the lower mills, running the store from 1848 to 1859. Selling the store he bought the upper mills and operated both mills for twenty years, and then disposed of them. He then invested in North Dakota lands, and is also owner of a block of buildings in Newfield. His education was acquired in the common schools. He married first, in 1850, Catharine J. Puff, by whom he had two children, the daughter dying in infancy, the son, George F., being a physician and a graduate of Cornell in 1873. Our subject is a Mason, a member of King Hiram Lodge No. 784, and has held the office of supervisor of his town in 1856, being re-elected in 1860. In politics he is a Republican.

Winton, Samuel Hinman, was born in the town of Catharine, Schuyler county, October 17, 1818. Both the paternal and maternal ancestors were from Connecticut, of Scotch descent. Samuel H. was educated in the common schools of his native town, and at the age of eighteen he came to Ithaca and engaged as clerk in the general store of Mack & Ferris, where he remained five years, and in 1841 became a partner with F. M. Camp, and the firm of Camp & Winton existed for seven years. Mr. Camp died in 1848, and Mr. Winton bought of the heir his interest and conducted the business alone for nine years, successfully. About this time he engaged in the lumber business in Canada with his cousin and remained for a number of years, at the same time attending to the commercial business here. After a few years he sold his store and, in partnership with A. Neyhart, engaged in the produce trade, which became very extensive and prosperous, they making a specialty of butter. After the death of Mr. Neyhart our subject continued the business alone for two years, then organized a firm for wholesale dealing in groceries under the name of Winton, Delano & Co. This firm existed three years, then became Winton & Grant. Upon the death of Mr. Grant, Mr. Stewart became a partner, and they added the manufacture of cigars. In 1889 Mr. Winton sold his interest to his partner, and has since devoted his time to the management of his extensive property. He was for many years a director of the Tompkins County Bank and is a Democrat. In 1845 he married Caroline A. Ackley, of Ithaca, who died January 3, 1883, leaving two children: Emily A., wife of F. W. Brooks, of Ithaca; and Henry A., with D. B. Stewart & Co.

Webb, Frederick M., was born in Caroline, February 15, 1822. Peter Webb, his father, was born in Virginia, being brought to this county in 1805 by John James Speed at the age of fifteen as a slave. He was placed on a farm between Caroline and Slaterville, and remained with Mr. Speed until he became of age, then he bought his time, paying \$384. He was married in 1819 to a slave belonging to Charles Patillo, who was brought here when she was eight years old with twenty other slaves, who procured their freedom through the neglect of their master to register them. They had eleven children, of whom our subject was the second. His mother was living as a slave when he was born. His property comprised part of the farm known as the old Speed place, where his mother worked as a slave. In 1852 he married Lucina Barton, of Union, Broome county, by whom he had two children: Simon Peter and Mabel L., having lost six children. The son follows farming, while the daughter is a successful teacher of music, having attended the conservatory at Ithaca. They are

members of the Baptist church at Brookton. Mr. Webb was a Republican. He died December 16, 1893, aged seventy-one years, ten months and one day.

Ladd, Daniel, a native of Connecticut, on April 14, 1808, married Abigail Crossman. In 1810 he settled in Locke and thenceforth became identified with the early history of this region. The children were as follows: Celia, born November 1, 1809, died in Wisconsin in 1851; Clarissa, born July 18, 1811, now living in Cortland; Benjamin F., born March 2, 1814, now living in McLean; William, born January 23, 1816; Sullivan, born October 6, 1819; and Leander, born December 11, 1823. Daniel Ladd, the pioneer, was a farmer and school teacher, and held several responsible positions in the community; he died September 2, 1868. Leander Ladd was brought up to farm work, and at an early age he began work for himself, following at various times pail making, painting, cabinet work and carpentry. His mother died when he was four years old. In 1850 he married Mary F. Brown, daughter of John R. Brown, of Groton, and their children were as follows: Abigail E., who died aged fifteen years; Carrie Belle, who married Dana G. Ingalls and lives in Cortland; and Mary, who died aged five years. John R. Brown was a soldier in the War of 1812-14, and was wounded at Fort Erie, and was a son of John Brown, an old revolutionary soldier, who was at one time one of the minute men of Boston. He was a native of Connecticut and a pioneer of Dryden.

Krum, Landon D., was born near Slaterville Springs in the town of Caroline, December 5, 1882, on the farm now owned by Mr. Darius Schutt, then belonging to Mathew Krum, father of our subject. Mr. L. D. Krum's early life was passed in the town of Caroline, where he has many relatives who are among the first residents of the town. He was educated in the district schools there, and then learned the blacksmith trade with Sawyer & Winfield, who had the largest establishment in the town in those days. After finishing his trade, on December 30, 1844, he married Mary A. Mott, of his native town. April 3, 1845, he came to the town of Ulysses, locating in the southeast part, at the place named after him, "Krum's Corners," at which place he has conducted business ever since. He has four children: one daughter, Amelia A., and three sons, Lafayette, Albert J., and Herbert B., all of whom are living. Mr. Krum's father, Mathew Krum, was born in Ulster county, N. Y., in 1777, where he spent his early life and until he married. His wife's name was Margaret Van Demark, whose people also were among the first settlers of Ulster county, and many of her relatives now reside in the different towns of the State. They had twelve children, as follows: Henry, Polly, Catharine, Sylvester, Stephen, Lydia, Jane, Eliza, Sarah, Abram, Landon, and Ruth. In 1806, in company with his wife and two small children, Mr. M. Krum left Ulster county for Slaterville, to found a home there, with a number of other residents of Ulster county, who had decided to make their homes in what was then quite a wilderness. Forging the river at Unadilla they came to Owego, Tioga county, and from there cut their way through the woods by following marked trees. Twelve days were consumed on the route from Owego to Slaterville, twenty-eight miles. They arrived at their new home June 12, 1806. Henry, the oldest brother of L. D. Krum, married Harriet Rounseville, who was the first white child born in the town of Caroline. Mrs. Mathew Krum died at her home near Slaterville Springs in December, 1837, and her husband at the same place in April, 1863. Lieut. Gysbert Krum is the founder of the Krum family of Ulster and Tompkins

county. In an Indian treaty made between the savages and Col. Richard Nicolls, the first English governor of the Province of New York, dated February 23, 1681, his name appears as witness. The Krum family were among the friends of liberty, and their names appear among those who fought in 1775 and 1812. They were originally from Holland and are of Dutch descent, as were many of the early settlers of the State. Mr. L. D. Krum, the subject of our sketch, is one of the oldest residents of that part of the town in which he resides, and is held in the highest esteem by all who know him. He is a member of the Trumansburgh Lodge No. 157, F. & A. M., and Fidelity Chapter No. 77, R. A. M. He is the only one of the large family of twelve children, who were reared near Slaterville Springs, that now resides in Tompkins county. In the town of Caroline he has several nephews and many other relatives, among whom are the Boices, Bulls, Schutts, and Thomases, all of whom are descendants from the early settlers there.

Winslow, John, A.M., M.D., was born at Lynn, Mass., March 14, 1836, of colonial ancestry, being the sixth in direct descent from Kenelm Winslow, a brother of Edward, the first governor of Plymouth Colony. His early life was spent in his native State and in Maine. He was prepared at Phillips Exeter Academy for Harvard College, where he was graduated in arts in 1859. After teaching two years he began the study of medicine at the Harvard School in Boston. His course there was interrupted in 1862 by the demand for surgical work in our civil war; and to this service the next three years were devoted, he being on duty the most of that time as acting assistant surgeon, U. S. army, at Mount Pleasant General Hospital, Washington, D. C. At the close of the war, refusing an army commission, he resumed medical study in New York, taking the degree of M.D. in 1866, at Bellevue Hospital Medical College, and the next year an ad eundem degree at the College of Physicians and Surgeons. Two years more were spent in the hospitals of Boston and New York. Engaging in practice in the latter city he was for several years attending physician to the out-door department of Bellevue Hospital, assistant sanitary inspector of the City Board of Health, and demonstrator of anatomy at the Woman's Medical College of the New York Infirmary. For the seven years of his residence in the city he was on the editorial staff of the Medical Record. His health failing from overwork, in 1872 he came to Ithaca, where he has since followed general practice. He has been a number of times elected president of the Tompkins County Medical Society. In 1882 he married Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton Bishop, who had then a daughter of four years. Two sons have since been born to them.

Gunderman, William A., was born August 30, 1815, at Vernon, Sussex county, N. J., about twenty-eight miles from New York city. His father had been a soldier in the Revolution and belonged to the New Jersey line of the Continental army. Mr. Gunderman when a young man went to Chemung county, N. Y., where he was employed about four years as a farm laborer. Having in that time accumulated a few hundred dollars he bought with it a small drove of cattle and drove them to New York in connection with a visit to his home. This was the beginning of his career as a successful drover in Central New York, and which he followed actively for the next ten years and to a less extent during his business life. In 1851 he married Lucy, daughter of Reuben Woodford, of Danby, and the same year purchased of Luther Smith the farm in Danby, upon which he resided till his death October 24, 1893. His

wife died August 18, 1872. Mr. Gunderman had four children, two sons and two daughters: Elizabeth is the widow of Carlton S. Wattles, of Ithaca; Delphine is the wife of Willis S. Hall, a farmer of Danby; Frank D. Gunderman resides on the old homestead; William R., the other son, was for about ten years the proprietor of the Elm Tree Mills of Danby, destroyed by fire September 8, 1889. He then removed to Ithaca, and has since been the proprietor of the Esty Grain Elevator at the Inlet. This elevator is one of the landmarks of old Ithaca. It was built about the middle of the twenties, and contemporaneously with the completion of the Erie Canal, by two brothers, Levi and Harry Leonard, and has since been conducted by various parties, among the best known being Timothy S. Williams and his brothers, Henry W. Sage, who had at different times a number of partners in his business, Barnard & Wood, Wood & Esty, William W. Esty, and lastly W. R. Gunderman, the present proprietor, who has carried on business since October, 1889.

Whitney, M. C., was born in Steuben county, September 17, 1828. John, his father, was a native of Pawling, N. Y., born February 3, 1802, who came to this county in 1818 with his father, Daniel Whitney. His mother was Lydia Newbury, who lived to be 103 years old. John Whitney married, November 22, 1827, Lucinda, daughter of Moses Lovell, her father being a pioneer settler of Tompkins county. They had ten children, of whom our subject was the oldest. He was educated in the public schools at Newfield and Enfield, and married October 13, 1850, Eliza Durand, of this county, daughter of Samuel Durand, and they have three children: Frank C. is a graduate of Cornell University, and taught for four years. He taught language in the Ithaca High School and was principal for two years in a school in Skaneateles, Onondaga county, when he entered the Theological Seminary and fitted himself for the ministry, being now a Baptist preacher in Minnesota. The two daughters have both taught school, and both are now married.

Weatherell, William H., was born in England, May 14, 1833, and came to this country in 1853, settling in Elmira. He married Miss Park, of England, before coming to this country, and in 1879 he settled in this county, town of Newfield, buying the two mills of the place, both of which he operated for some time, now owning the lower one. This mill has a capacity of twenty barrels of wheat flour and 300 bushels of buckwheat, making twenty-five pounds to the bushel. Mr. Weatherell has had six children, three surviving. One son and one daughter live at home. In connection with his mill Mr. Weatherell has a machine for cutting and making shingles, which is proving a good departure. They have a capacity for making about 15,000 every ten hours.

Bishop, Asa, came in the year 1810 from Marbletown, Ulster county, to what is now called Tompkins county, and purchased several hundred acres of land. A portion of said purchase passed into the hands of his son, John Bishop. The latter moved from Ulster county to occupy the land (something over a hundred acres) now lying in the vicinity of Caroline Depot, Tompkins county, then called the town of Catharine, County of Tioga. John Bishop and his family made the trip by means of an ox team and wagon. The farm which had come into their possession was in the midst of a pine forest. There, on the banks of a small stream, they immediately set about building a log cabin (the ruins of which may still be seen). There they lived about two years when a new and more commodious log house was built on another

portion of the farm. In about the year 1834 they erected a large frame dwelling house, which still stands but a few rods from the ruins of the old log cabin built in 1811. The family of John Bishop then consisted of John Bishop, wife and three children. Seven others were afterwards born to those two early settlers of Tompkins county. Emeline Bishop, one of the ten children of John Bishop, has given us many an interesting incident of the early years of the present century. She could distinctly remember when Ithaca was almost in the heart of a huge pine forest. I well remember hearing her tell of the one little store the town of Ithaca possessed in the year 1816. Can remember her telling how she walked from her home through the forest, some six miles, in order to make some purchases from Ithaca's only store. This daughter of John Bishop finally came into possession of the old homestead, where she lived until about two years since, dying at the advanced age of eighty-five years. Her life was a most industrious one. It might be said of her "that she knew no rest." She was often found at break of day busy about some household care, having toiled the whole night through. She was ever busy weaving or spinning, baking and brewing, yet ever ready to lend a helping hand to the sick and needy. As she commenced in the pioneer days, so she toiled on active and energetic till almost the last day of her life. She married James Miller in the year of 1840, and widowed by his death in 1885, she continued to live at the old homestead until her death two years since. Two sons survive her, one, Dr. C. D. Miller, now living in Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; the other, H. L. Miller, into whose possession has fallen what remains of the old homestead, which entered the family some eighty-four years ago. Of John Bishop's large family but one remains, Mrs. Delight Schutt, nearly eighty-four years of age.

Warner, Frank A., was born in the village of Ithaca, September 4, 1843, the second son of Seth Warner, a native of Vermont, who came to this village in 1829 and engaged in the boot and shoe business, in which he continued the most of his life. He died May 1, 1882, aged seventy-five years. Frank A. was educated in the old Ithaca Academy under Professor Carr. After leaving school he engaged in the boot and shoe business, being located where C. M. Stanley now is. He married in 1864 Arvilla Kellogg, daughter of Joseph Kellogg, and joined the firm of W. H. Kellogg & Co., manufacturers of tobacco and cigars, selling out to Farrand & Platts in 1866. He then removed to Jamestown, N. Y., and engaged in the same business, returning to Ithaca in 1868. Soon after he established a grocery at 56 and 58 West State street, which has been gradually changed to a general dry goods and wall paper store, and is doing a large and prosperous trade. They have six children, the son (who is the eldest) is in the store with his father; Maie, the eldest daughter was married in 1891 to L. L. Spafford, of Tampa, Fla., where they now reside; leaving four daughters at home.

Williams, George O., was born February 25, 1870, on the farm where he now lives. He was educated in the city of Ithaca and finished in the academy at that place under Prof. L. C. Foster, superintendent of schools. At the age of twenty-one our subject married Mary E., daughter of Joseph Allen, of the town of Newfield. Mr. Williams is one of the largest farmers in the town of Ithaca, raising hay and grain, but making a specialty of tobacco, and also supplying a large number of people in Ithaca with sweet cream, the product being about forty quarts per day. In politics he is a

Republican. The father of our subject was born on the same farm where he now resides in 1825, and with George O. (who now carries on both his own and his father's farms), has always taken a prominent position in the town.

Wood, Charles, was born in New York, 10th mo. 2nd, 1824. He was educated in that city, and also at the Friends' Boarding School at Westtown, Pa. For one year he lived in New Jersey, then came, in 1847, to Ulysses. He married first, in 11th mo., 1846, Deborah L. Owen, of this town. They had three children: Rachael, who married Samuel B. Hussey, formerly of Nantucket, Mass., had two daughters, Edith L. and Charlotte M.; Charlotte, who married John C. Maule, of Philadelphia, Pa. (now of Bristol, Pa.), had four children, Alice D., Eleanor, who died young, Mary W., and Sarah; Edward, who married Marianne Valentine, formerly of Canada, has one daughter, Sarah W. Deborah L. Wood died 6th mo. 13, 1853, and Charles Wood married for second wife, 11th mo. 22nd, 1854, Hannah W. Otis, of Sherwood, N. Y., have two children living, Arthur H. and Mary E., both of whom live at home. Hannah W. Wood died 8th mo. 2nd, 1890. Charles Wood's father, John, was born in Westchester county, N. Y., 9th mo. 23rd, 1787. He married Martha Arnold, they had ten children: Daniel, Henry, Stephen, David, John, Elizabeth, Edward H., Charles, George F., and Mary. Charles Wood and family are members of the Orthodox Friends.

Woodford, Frank D., was born in the town of Danby, October 14, 1847, the youngest son and only one living of the five children of Reuben Woodford, a native of Connecticut, who came to this county in 1830 and engaged in farming in Danby. He died May 22, 1879, at seventy-two years of age. The mother of our subject, Anna Clark, was also a native of Connecticut, and resides in Ithaca at eighty-one years of age. Frank D. Woodford was educated at the common schools and Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, and pursued a three years undergraduate course in Cornell University, from 1868 to 1871. He followed teaching for about twelve years, and was principal of East Setauket Union School on Long Island for five years. He was one year principal of Trumansburgh Academy and Union School. In 1881 he was appointed agent for the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, and conducted an office in Trumansburgh until 1886. In 1889 he removed to Ithaca, where he has ever since been the representative of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. He married in 1871 Mary A. Woodruff, of Ithaca, and they have three children living. Mrs. Anna Clarke Woodford died at her son's residence January 24, 1894. She was converted at the age of twelve, joined the M. E. Church, and has always proved a faithful and efficient Christian.

Wolf, Reinhold, was born in New York, December 27, 1846. His ancestors were natives of Germany. Conrad, his father, was born in Hesse-Darmstadt, and came to this country about 1830, and died on Staten Island in 1877. Our subject had little advantages of education after he was fourteen years of age. He was an errand boy in New York, and also worked with a surveyor as chain bearer. At the age of sixteen he went to learn the cigarmaker's trade on Staten Island. After serving three years' apprenticeship he worked two years as a journeymen cigarmaker in New York. November 10, 1865, he came to Ithaca, where he was employed by Henry Hoffman as cigarmaker for six months, then made foreman and afterwards general salesman. In 1869 he became a partner in Mr. Hoffman's business, and the firm of Hoffman &

Wolf existed six years, and then Mr. Wolf traveled three years, and in 1878 he bought out Mr. Hoffman and has since been alone. In politics Mr. Wolf is Democratic, and for two terms, 1890 and '91, was supervisor of the city. He was a leading factor in the building of the new poorhouse of the county. He worked hard for this enterprise and, though fought by a majority, succeeded in getting a very good county house. Mr. Wolf is a member of I. O. O. F. and also of the Knights of Pythias. In 1870 he married Alice Hoffman, of Ithaca, and they have one son, Rennold Wolf, a graduate of Cornell University, class of 1892, and is now a senior in the law school,

Wood, Dr. Annette, whose comfortable home and place of business is situated in the eastern part of Groton, was born in Cortland county, a daughter of Perry and Prudence Woods, and the fourth of their ten children. At the age of about twenty-five Miss Woods discovered that she had powers of divination, commonly called clairvoyant powers, though she did not begin their use and practical development till some years later. In 1854 Miss Woods married Franklin Wood, and in 1861 they came to live in Groton, purchasing the old Tiffany farm. The family comprises Mr. and Mrs. Wood and three children. Mrs. Wood is what is generally known as a clairvoyant physician, and was induced to begin practice in the hope of doing good and healing and alleviating some of the ills that afflict humanity. In her special field she has been abundantly successful, and her patients may be counted in all parts of the county, also in most parts throughout the State. She possesses remarkable powers, and some of her cures have been almost marvelous. She diagnoses cases accurately, and treats them rationally and in accordance with established usages. She is not infrequently consulted by men in high standing in business and professional life.

Williams, De Forest, was born in Ithaca, August 5, 1832, the youngest of three children of Levi Williams, a native of Saratoga county, who came to this country in 1806, when he was but seven years of age. His father, Thomas Williams, was a millwright, and erected the earliest mills in this section. Levi Williams was a man of considerable prominence in his town, and commanded the respect and esteem of his neighbors. At the time of his death he owned about 600 acres of land. The old homestead is now occupied by Thomas J., the brother of De Forest. Levi W. died January 25, 1884. Our subject's early education was derived at the common schools and Ithaca Academy, and began farming at an early age. The years of 1856-57 he spent in Minnesota, and in 1885 he accepted the position of superintendent of the Ithaca Glass Company, which he filled for two years. Mr. Williams has always been a Republican, but would never become an aspirant for political office. He is a member of Fidelity Lodge, F. & A. M., Eagle Chapter No. 58, St. Augustine Commandery No. 38, and Mystic Shrine of Syracuse, taking his thirty-second degree in 1877. Mr. Williams married in 1870 Ann Eliza, daughter of Andrew Wilson, of Ulysses.

Wilcox, the late Roswell, was born in the town of Ulysses, near Taughannock Falls, March 7, 1828, was educated in the common schools and Trumansburgh Academy, and followed farming. December 29, 1853, he married Cornelia, daughter of Smith Norton, of his native town, and they had two children: Fred E., born August 5, 1855, died June 21, 1888, and Flora C., who married George H. Fowler, of this town; they have two children: Lulu M., and Harry S. Mr. Fowler is a manufacturer of wagons, agricultural articles, etc., and is also a coal dealer at Taughannock Falls under the firm name of G. H. Fowler & Co. Mr. Wilcox died January 19, 1886. He gave the

right of way through his farm to the Geneva, Ithaca and Sayre Railroad in 1872, and he was the first station agent at Taughannock Falls; also kept the first post-office there. His father, Elisha, was born September 28, 1804, and was a pioneer of the town. Mrs. Wilcox's father, Smith Norton, was born in New Jersey, February 18, 1792, and came here when a boy with his parents. He married Abigail Hildreth, and they had ten children: Hannah, Jerusha, Jane, Malissa, Christine, Jehiel, Jonathan, Statia A., Cornelia and Clara. The father, who was a soldier in the War of 1812, died June 6, 1880, and the mother August 31, 1877.

Whitlock, Charles E., was born in the town of Ithaca, February 12, 1855. Abram B. Whitlock, the father of our subject, was a native of Pennsylvania, and was born in October, 1832. He was only six years of age when his parents moved into this county and settled in the village of Ithaca, where Abram was reared and educated in the old Lancasterian School. His first occupation was that of a clerk in Scribner's drug store, and having ability as a musician he followed it as a profession. About 1867 he was appointed agent for the United States Express Company, a position which he held up to the time of his death, which occurred March 25, 1887. He was a member of Fidelity Lodge, F. & A. M., and also of the St. Augustine Commandery. He was the father of two children, one of whom died in infancy, the other was our subject. Charles was educated in the old Ithaca Academy, and after leaving school he followed in his father's footsteps and was six years in the drug business, first with W. S. Mandeville and afterwards with Gauntlett & Brooks. In 1877 he was made the clerk of the United States Express Company under his father, a position which he held for twelve years, and then went to Syracuse to take the position of cashier in the National Express Company, where he was employed for two years, and on January 1, 1893, he was appointed agent for the Ithaca office of the National Company. He is a member of Fidelity Lodge No. 51, F. & A. M., Eagle Chapter, Ithaca Council, St. Augustine Commandery, and also of the Knights of Pythias. He was twice married, first in 1878 to Alberta Goldsmid, who died in 1884, leaving one daughter. He married again in 1887 Ella McCarthy, of Watertown, N. Y. They also have one daughter.

Williams, Barnum R., who for thirty or more years has been identified with various business and political interests of Tompkins county, was a native of Herkimer county, born March 14, 1836. His parents were Ralph and Matilda (Taylor) Williams, and of their four children he was the youngest. He was brought up on a farm and from early youth had to earn his own way in life. In 1853 he came to Groton and attended the academy, his brother being its principal at that time, and later on our subject taught a winter term of school. Still later he worked as a machinist in the Separator shop, where he remained until 1862, then going to Ithaca, where he was employed in the office of the county clerk, Mr. Delano. Three months afterward he purchased an interest in the Tompkins County Democrat, which he conducted until February, 1863, and then united that paper with the American Citizen, which he published under the name of Citizen and Democrat. The name, however, was subsequently changed to Ithaca Democrat, by which it is still known. Mr. Williams continued with the paper until 1872, then retired, and for three years was chief of the Ithaca police, then bookkeeper for Reynolds & Lang, and then became deputy county clerk during Mr. Partenheimer's term of office. During his residence in Ithaca Mr.

Williams was five years clerk of the village, and four years chief of the Fire Department, and in connection served one year as president of the State Firemen's Association. In 1887 he returned to Groton and became secretary of the Groton Bridge and Manufacturing Company, which latter position he still holds. Mr. Williams has always been a firm Democrat, and as such received the nomination for the shrievalty in 1890. The standing majority against his party in the county is about 1200, and although defeated at the polls the majority against him was only about 600, he carrying two districts of the strong Republican town of Groton. For three years Mr. Williams was a member of the Board of Education of Groton village. In 1859 he married Rosa K. Noble, of Auburn, and they have one child by adoption.

Wortman, Jacob, was born in Enfield, February 2, 1823. His business career began in 1859, when, in company with George Britenbecker, he opened a small meat market in the Clinton block on North Cayuga street. In 1865 he removed to No. 16 N. Aurora street, where he has since been located. In 1879 Mr. Wortman associated with him his son, L. S. Wortman, who is now proprietor of their extensive business, the senior member having retired to his home on the east shore of Cayuga Lake. In 1874 he was elected a member of the Board of Education, a position he held many years, a great share of the time chairman of the Building Committee. He was also in 1882 village trustee from the second ward. His son, L. S. Wortman, is one of the representative business men of this city, and prominent in politics. He is a member of Hobasco Lodge No. 716, F. & A. M. He married in 1875 Lizzie Decker, of Ithaca, N. Y., and they are the parents of two children: Edwin, a student in the High School; and Bessie. The mother of L. S. was a daughter of the Rev. Daniel Starr, the first Baptist minister in this county, preaching at Lake Ridge.

Wager, Mrs. Frances M., widow of Benjamin Wager, was born in Newfield, February 14, 1820, a daughter of Philip and Sally (Bloom) Le Bar, her great-grandfather, Ephraim Bloom, having been one of the first white settlers in Lansing. Our subject attended the district schools, and in 1853 married Benjamin Wager, born February 24, 1810, and they moved to Lansing and settled on the farm which Mrs. Wager now owns. Mr. Wager's parents were old settlers in this section, his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Reeves, having been the first to settle on the farm of our subject. Mr. Wager died in February, 1874. They had one child, Frances M., wife of George Cox, of Newfield. She was born December 4, 1859. Mr. Wager had five children by a former marriage: Prometheus, born December 31, 1834; George, born March 14, 1837; Mary A., born November 9, 1839; John, born April 25, 1842; Helen A., born in December, 1845. Prometheus was a lieutenant in the war, and died of fever in the service. Frances Cox has three children: Wager, Fannie L., and George. Mrs. Wager is a sprightly and well-preserved old lady, living alone and doing all her own work. She has a beautiful farm of sixty-five acres, commanding a fine view of Cayuga Lake. Prometheus and John completed their education in Cazenovia. Mary A. received her education and graduated at Alfred Seminary, Allegany county, N. Y. George at home district school. Frances studied at Howland College, Union Springs, N. Y., completing her musical education at the Conservatory of Music, Boston.

Watson, George Milton, was born in the town of Dryden, July 11, 1853. His father, George E. Watson, was formerly engaged in making butter packages, wash

tubs and pails in the village of Malloryville, which business is now carried on by his son. Our subject at the age of twenty-seven married Hattie E. George, daughter of Joel B. George, of Freeville, and they are the parents of two children: Edith L. and Bessie C. Mr. Watson takes an active interest in temperance work, and also in educational and religious matters. He is an energetic business man and is recognized in his community as a conservative citizen of ability and high principles. He received his education in the common schools and finished at the Falley Seminary at Fulton, N. Y., and at the Normal School at Cortland, N. Y.

Wheeler, D. T., was born in the town of Dryden, November 24, 1855, and was educated in the Dryden Union School, and afterwards took a course of instruction in Lowell's Business College at Binghamton. After leaving school he went to work in the mercantile trade, and in 1889 went into business for himself, and now carries the largest line of dry goods and general merchandise in the town of Dryden. At the age of twenty-two he married Miss Carrie Gaston, daughter of Edmund Gaston, of the town of Dryden, and they are the parents of two children, one daughter, Georgia, and one son, Meritt. He takes the Republican side in politics, also an active interest in educational and religious matters, being interested in the advancement of his town and being recognized as a conservative and substantial citizen.

Williams, C. D., was born in the town of Virgil, August 19, 1847, and was educated in the common and graded schools. After leaving school he learned the marble cutter's trade, which he followed at the bench for eighteen years, doing business for himself. In 1872 he came to the town of Dryden and established a marble and granite works, importing his own stock, and also handling all varieties of native stone, and having also a large plant at Trumansburgh. At the age of twenty-four he married Miss Emma A. Trapp, daughter of Jesse Trapp, of Virgil, and they have two sons: George and Charles, jr. He takes the Republican side in politics, and although he has passed a very busy business life, he has found time to take an active interest in religious and educational matters, having been a member of the Board of Education of Dryden for the past ten years. The eldest son, George, first graduated from the Dryden High School, and evincing talent in elocution he then went to the New England Conservatory of Music and Elocution at Boston, from which he graduated in June, 1894, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

Wheeler, Seth, was born in Boston in 1756, and died in 1827. When nineteen years of age he enlisted in the Revolutionary War and served all through the war. When he came home he went to New Hampshire and took up a farm and married a lady from Boston by the name of Rebecca Elliot. They moved to Dryden in 1804, and had a family of ten children. They came with three horses and a yoke of oxen, two covered wagons, and were twenty-one days on the road; his farm being near Dryden Springs. Their oldest child, Rebecca, married a man by the name of Elisaph Sanford, who stood on the first church steeple in Dryden and swung a jug over his head after the church was raised, later moving to Steuben, where he died, leaving a large family. The next, Betsey, married Jared Todd in West Dryden, raised a large family, and moved to Michigan. Susan married a Mr. Courtright from Owego, moved to Ohio, died, and left three daughters. Lucy married Mr. Petigrew, they both died in Owego, leaving one son; a daughter of this son married Frank Cornell, of Ithaca. Seth married but left no children. Enos married a Miss Blair, had nine children,

who are all settled not far from Dryden. Polly never married, and died at Dryden. John married Eliza Blair, had eight children, and died in Seneca county. Selinda married Marsden Blair, he died a number of years ago; she is still living at the age of ninety-five years. Anna married Anson Cook, moved to Michigan, where both died, leaving two daughters: Elliot B. Wheeler, son of Enos, who is seventy-six years old, lives two and one-half miles north of McLean. He married first Mary Jane Lormor, of Dryden, and second Sarah Crittenden, youngest daughter of Asa Crittenden. Orrin married Mary Bartholomew, of Dryden; he is dead. They had one son, with whom his mother is living. Delany married Leonard Griswold, of Dryden, both living. Emory married Elizabeth Stewart, they live in Dryden. Elson lost his first wife, then married Sarah Brigham; live in Dryden. Edson, the twin brother of Elson, is dead. Almon married a Miss Stewart, and lives not far from Elmira with his daughter, his wife being dead. Ambros married and lives near Marathon, N. Y. Dora Ann married Daniel Bartholomew, they live in Dryden village.

Wolcott, George, jr., was born in Caroline, January 13, 1836. He is the son of George Wolcott, sr., a descendant of the purest Anglo-Saxon English. The father moved into this country when quite young, locating at Mott's Corners, now Brookton. He was a carpenter by trade, and held many local offices, being justice of the peace and school trustee for many terms. The mother of the subject of our sketch was Sarah A. Reede, a Scotchwoman. George and Sarah had ten children, of which George, jr., is the sixth. He acquired his education by his own efforts, paying his way at first at the old Ithaca Academy by working at the carpenter trade with his father, and later by teaching school. At Lincoln's first call for troops, on April 20, 1861, he enlisted as private in Company I of the afterward famous 32d N. Y. Infantry. At the battle of West Point he was promoted on the field from sergeant to second lieutenant by Colonel Mathewson, and after the seven days battle was again promoted to first lieutenant. At the end of his term of enlistment failing health compelled him to relinquish his very bright prospects in a military career. Returning to Caroline he followed the mercantile business, and afterwards that of carpenter and builder. About fifteen years ago he bought a farm and has since been principally engaged in farming. His wife, Julia A., whom he married in 1863, is the daughter of Hon. Peter Lounsbery, a descendant of the original German colonists, and Harriet Cantine, a descendant of the French Huguenots, a collateral relative of the Counts Cantine of France. They have one child, Clarence R., a lawyer of Ithaca. He, after acquiring a thorough education by the assistance of his father, took up the business of stenography, but only used it as a stepping stone to something better. He studied in the office of the Hon. S. D. Halliday, of Ithaca, and has been in active and successful practice for four years. Mrs. Wolcott is a poetess of considerable reputation, having taken prizes against many contestants, and having published prose and poetry in many periodicals. All the family are connected with the Congregational church at Brookton, of which Mr. Wolcott has been clerk and treasurer for years. He has also been school trustee many terms. He is an active member of the G. A. R., having been commander of David Ireland Post two years.

Weed, William M., was born in Danby, February 14, 1821. His father, Munson Weed, came to this town in 1818, and laid the foundation of his education in the old

school house. At the age of twenty-three he married Fannie Spaulding, daughter of James Spaulding, of Danby. He is a Republican in politics, and takes an active and intelligent interest in school and religious matters. Mr. and Mrs. Weed are the parents of four children, two sons, Henry C. and Charles J., and two daughters, Mrs. Velma L. Hutchings and Mrs. Libbie I. Patchen. In 1845 he bought a part of his father's farm, and has since bought 100 acres which he added to his other estate, having 153 acres, on which he resides and raises large amounts of hay, grain and stock. Our subject is recognized in his town as a man of sterling worth, and as a practical and successful farmer.

Woodworth, Jonathan, a native of Wales, seeking a home on the new continent, finally made a settlement in New London, Conn. By education he was a surveyor and navigator. Previous to his settlement in Connecticut he was a sea captain and came to America in that capacity. The first attempt of immigration and settlement of Tompkins county, of which we have any authentic record, was in the year 1788. In June of that year a party of explorers, with the flats at the head of Cayuga Lake as an objective point, headed by Jonathan Woodworth and accompanied by his two sons, Nehemiah and Charles, left their home, and finding the present site of Ithaca a desirable location, made a settlement there. Mr. Woodworth with his two sons surveyed Tompkins and a few adjacent counties, and he also surveyed a portion of the western part of Pennsylvania. His son, Jonathan Parker Woodworth, born June 15, 1775, was a Baptist clergyman, and preached for many years in different parts of Tompkins county, especially in Enfield and Newfield. He purchased land in Ulysses, near Willow Creek, about 1824, which was afterward owned by his son, David Woodworth, and which constitutes the farm now owned by Alfred B. Woodworth. He died July 7, 1860. David Woodworth was born in the town of Covert, August 23, 1801, and was married to Betsey J. Bates, September 6, 1827. Betsey J. Bates was born January 25, 1806, in Stamford, Conn., and removed with her parents to the town of Ulysses in 1816.

Blackman Brothers.—John K., and Charles L.,—are sons of Solomon K. Blackman, who was a native of the county and a farmer and stock dealer of Speedsville. John K. was educated in the common schools, while Charles received his academic education at Cortland Normal School, teaching eleven terms in Tioga and Tompkins counties. After he left teaching he was for three years employed by Hillyer & Hartley, New Brighton, Staten Island, and then came to Ithaca, where he and his brother (who had been engaged in the same business in Williamsport, Pa., with his uncle, L. L. Stearns) formed a partnership in February, 1888, buying out the grocery of L. S. McWhorter, which they have since conducted. The brothers are Democrats in politics, and members of the church (Presbyterian and Episcopalian respectively). John is a member of Hobasco Lodge, and married in January, 1888, Margaretta Post, of Shickshinny, Pa. They have one daughter, one and a half years old.

Bentley & Eaton.—This firm is composed of Ephraim J. Bentley and William M. Eaton. Mr. Bentley is a native of Tioga county, Pa., and came to this county May 10, 1877. His early life had been spent as a clerk in a store in his native place. He left his father's farm at the age of fifteen years and has been in the mercantile business ever since. After coming to Ithaca he established a general store on Cayuga street below the present location, and in 1889 he built a large frame block fifty feet

square, three stories, using the ground floor for their extensive business, one half the store being used for their retail business, and the other part for storage purposes. Mr. Bentley was joined in partnership by Mr. Eaton in 1889, and the firm of Bentley & Eaton has ever since been one of the most prosperous in the city. They carry a full line of dry goods, groceries and provisions, meats, oilcloths, and also conduct a general headquarters for farmers, with large and commodious refrigerators for storing butter, eggs, etc. Mr. Bentley has never taken any active interest in politics, but is a Republican. He is a member of Ithaca Lodge I. O. O. F. In 1888 he married Anna Munroe, of Westchester county. William M. Eaton was born in the town of Ithaca, January 23, 1862, a son of William Eaton, who was also a native of the county. William was educated at Cornell University, class of '83, and acted as clerk in Mr. Bentley's store three years, also was for five years a traveler for J. C. Stowell & Son. He is a member of Fidelity Lodge F. & A. M., also of the I. O. O. F., and of the Encampment.

Brown, Jacob Emmons, was a native of Dryden, born September 4, 1834, the son of Jacob and Annie (Baldwin) Brown, and the youngest of their ten children. His grandfather, Daniel, was one of the pioneers of Dryden and a man of some prominence in that part of the county. When our subject was but three years of age his father died, and upon the marriage of his mother, Jacob E. began to work for himself. At sixteen he hired out as a farm hand, and from that until the present time he has been a farmer. In 1861 he bought the old Ogden farm in the south part of Groton, which he has greatly developed and improved. Mr. Brown is regarded as one of the most thrifty farmers of the township. In 1861 he married Sarah A., daughter of Benjamin and Polly Ogden (both being representatives of pioneer families in the county). Mr. and Mrs. Brown have had four children, three of whom are now living. Mr. Brown was formerly a Republican, but during recent years as an earnest advocate of temperance principles, has been identified with the Prohibition party.

Bulkly, Hill, a former resident of Fairfield, Conn., came to Venice, Cayuga county, at an early day and there his three children were born. In 1825 the family came to Groton, where both parents died. The children were Lorenzo, Lovisa and Almon. Lorenzo Bulkly was born March 3, 1817, and has always been a farmer, and now lives on the home farm which his father bought in 1825. January 1, 1846, Mr. Bulkly married Maria Wheat, who died August 7, 1848, after which (October 10, 1849) he married Juliette Coonley, by whom he had three children: Almon W., a lawyer of the Chicago bar; William H., proprietor of the barrel factory at West Groton; and Lorenzo H., of Columbus, Ohio. Lorenzo Bulkly was originally a Whig, and cast his first vote for General Harrison in 1840; later he was a Republican, and was identified with that party's success. Mr. Bulkly is a member of the East Lansing Baptist church.

Butts, Michael, came from Warren county, Pa., in 1825 and settled on a farm a mile east of Dryden village. He had a family of ten children, the last two of whom were born in Dryden. The children were as follows: Susan, Margaret, Elias, Ann Maria, Isaac, Abram, Jacob, Christine, Parthenia, and Philomena. Of these only Jacob and Parthenia survive, the latter being the wife of Conrad Hammond. Jacob Butts, who is remembered among the substantial farmers of Groton, was born July

29, 1819, and in 1848 married Mary E., daughter of Jacob Hutchins, of Virgil, and soon afterwards located in Groton on the old Robert Forsyth farm, which he then bought. Their four children were: Jacob H., Rose Ella, May Jennie. and Searles. Mary E., wife of Jacob Butts, died August 29, 1887. Mr. Butts has taken an active interest in town affairs and has held office. He is a Republican, and an intelligent advocate of his party principles.

Bartholomew, Caleb, was born in Groton February 4, 1811. His father was Jesse Bartholomew, who came to the town of Dryden and settled at Etna April 1, 1812. He bought 180 acres of land, part of which is still in the possession of Caleb, our subject. The latter received his education in the common schools of the town, to which he has added through life by close reading and observation. He was the youngest of thirteen children, and is now the only representative of that generation left. At the age of twenty-two he married Laura W. Gaston, daughter of James Gaston, and they had five children, two sons being deceased, one dying in infancy, and Norman G. who was killed at the battle of the Wilderness. The daughters are Lydia, Louise E., and Lottie M. In 1840 Mr. Bartholomew established himself in Etna, manufacturing agricultural implements, pumps and scales, which business he carries on to the present day. He has held the office of supervisor, etc., and was one of the charter members of the Groton Iron Bridge and Mfg. Co.

Brown, J. W., M. D., was born in Wyalusing, Bradford county, Pa., and is a son of D. Warren Brown. At the age of twenty-eight our subject began the study of medicine, and after a preliminary course of one year in the University of Pennsylvania, he entered the office of his brother, Dr. C. W. Brown, of Washington, D. C. He was afterwards a student in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, and then entered the University of Buffalo, from which he graduated in 1878. He immediately began practice in Ithaca, where he has since located. The doctor has been railroad surgeon for the Lehigh Valley company for twelve years, and is now serving his fourth term as coroner of the county. He is a Republican in politics and has held the office of assessor and was for two years pension examining surgeon. He was an enlisted soldier in the Rebellion. He is a member of the County Medical Society and one of its officers. In 1873 he married Lulu Ripley, of Titusville, Pa.

Bresee, Thomas R., the well-known merchant tailor and general clothier of Groton village, and one of the oldest business men of the town, was born in Otsego county, July 8, 1833. He learned the tailor's trade by serving an apprenticeship of six years, and in 1855 located at Groton. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Co. K, 137th N. Y. Vols., and served six months. In 1863 he returned to Groton, and soon afterwards went west, remaining till 1868, when he returned to this village, beginning an active business career, which has since continued without interruption to the present time. In 1868 Mr. Bresee married Mary Ann Pickens, by whom he has had five children, only one of whom survives, Dell Bresee, who is responsibly connected with the Owego Bridge Company, having entire charge of the company's office.

Brown, Horace A., was born August 20, 1833. His father moved to the town of Ithaca in 1834, and was a tanner and currier, having charge of Jacob Wood's tannery at Buttermilk Falls. Mr. Brown was educated in the district school, and finished at

West Dryden. He married at the age of twenty-five Elizabeth, daughter of John Robb, who died in January, 1860. He married second, Mary, daughter of George K. Nittels, of Van Etten, Chemung county, by whom he has one son and one daughter. He is a Democrat and takes an active interest in educational and political matters, having served as school trustee, and excise commissioner, which latter office he still holds. He was also commissioner of highways two years. Mr. Brown carries on a milk route and handles about 300 quarts per day.

Beardsley, Henry S., was born in Danby July 7, 1844, educated in the district schools and finished at the Ithaca Academy under Professor Williams. After leaving school he learned the carriagemaker's trade, and at the age of eighteen entered the 109th N. Y. Vols., serving three years, and participating in the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, where he was wounded in the leg, and received an honorable discharge, April 3, 1865. In 1868 he returned to Danby and resumed his trade. In 1869 he married Hattie McPherson, daughter of William McPherson, of Danby; they have had four children, three now living. Our subject is Democratic in politics, and was appointed postmaster of Danby. In 1869 he bought the Dr. Wilder property, where he now lives, and on which he has erected a double store, carrying a large stock of general merchandise. Wells Beardsley, father of Henry S., was one of the "forty-niners" of California fame, who afterwards returned to Danby and carried on the carriagemaker's trade with his son.

Black, John, was born in 1805 in County Longford, town of Linister, about fifty-two miles west of Dublin, Ireland, and came to this town in 1845. At the age of fifty he married Nancy, daughter of Nathaniel Gosline, of Newfield, and are the parents of six children, of whom two survive, one being on the farm and the other in Philadelphia. Mr. Black bought the Andrew Crawford farm of fifty acres, to which he has added two adjoining farms, having 108 acres in all, and also has a fine residence. Our subject is a self-made man, having spent his lifetime in this town, where he is known and respected, being recognized as a successful and practical farmer.

Wilcox, Charles Henry, was born in Lansing, on the farm he now owns, February 4, 1837, a son of Willard, a native of New Bedford, Mass, who came to Genoa when a young man, and made his home with his uncle, Jeremiah Wilcox, until his marriage, when he lived on a portion of his uncle's farm, by himself, and at the death of his uncle he inherited the homestead. He married Ann Brown, of Venice, by whom he had five children, two of whom reached maturity: C. H. and William. He died in 1870, and his wife in 1889. Benjamin Wilcox, grandfather of Charles, was a native of New Bedford, Mass., where he lived and died. Charles H. was educated in the common schools and the Genoa and Groton Academies. At the age of twenty-one he started farming for himself on a portion of his father's farm. In 1890 he bought, with Charles A. Bush, the Clinton House in Ithaca, which they conducted four years, then Mr. Wilcox sold his interest, and in 1886 he and his brother interested themselves in the breeding of trotting horses. Their first horses they brought from Kentucky, among them being the stallion Scott, which they had the misfortune to lose in 1893, their stud being headed by Onward Chief. They own about sixty head of Hambletonian colts and horses, their farms being known as the Wilcox Brothers' Stock Farms. They are already well known as producers of fast horses, many of their horses having been winners. Mr. Wilcox married in 1857 Dorothy, daughter

of Ezekiel and Catharine Ozmun, of Lansing, and they have had three children, who died in infancy, and one son, Fred, born March 1, 1882. Mr. Wilcox is a Free Mason, and a Republican in politics.

Willey, Albert L., was born in Freeville, January 18, 1855. His father, Samuel B. Willey, settled where he now lives in 1825, coming from Ulster county to the town of Dryden, and has always been prominently identified in advancing the interests of his town, and for many years was interested in various business enterprises of the village. He built the first store, and for two years carried the mail from Etna to Freeville, gratis, and assisted in establishing the first post-office in his grist mill. Our subject was educated in the common schools and finished at the Dryden Academy under Jackson Graves. In 1874 he bought the Freeville mill property, which he sold in 1876 to Elias Gibbs. At the age of twenty he married Helen E., daughter of Richard Head, of Lansing, and they are the parents of three sons: Horace N., F. Ray, and Clarence A. Our subject is one of the most active business men of his town, taking an active interest in advancing its best interests and in educational and religious matters, being a member of the M. E. Church of Freeville, which his father assisted in building, and which was the first church built in the village in the year 1848.

Vorhis, Chester L., was born in the town of Danby, November 17, 1832, educated in the district schools, and took up farming for an occupation, cultivating 103 acres of some of the finest farm land in the locality, his crops being chiefly hay and grain. He is a deacon of the Congregational church. He married at the age of twenty-eight A. Adelia Jennings, of this town. Of their two children Oscar J. Vorhis is now a resident of Ithaca, and the daughter, Mrs. William Bierce, resides in Danby. Our subject's father, John Vorhis, came to this town in 1825 from Spencer; his wife was Mary A. Taylor, they being among the early settlers of Danby.

Vough, Aaron H., was a native of Warren county, N. J., born May 24, 1820, a son of Jacob V. and Sarah Vough. At the age of fifteen Aaron left the home farm and learned tanning, and after mastering his trade he came in 1844 to Ithaca, which he reached the day following the great Webster mass meeting. There he lived nine years, being employed as foreman of Joseph Esty & Sons' tannery. In 1853 he went to McLean and carried on a tannery of his own, doing a successful business and continuing for a number of years. In 1861 he was elected to the office of justice of the peace. In 1865 Mr. Vough sold his tannery, and in 1869 went on a farm near McLean, and the same year married the widow of Edwin Hart, and daughter of Joseph Hill. Her father was born in Hunterdon county, N. J., and married Sarah Barcroft in 1809. The family settled in Dryden on a farm now owned by Sarah, wife of Ambrose Hill, deceased. Joseph died in 1853, and his wife in 1874. Their children were as follows: Mary, Ambrose, Isaac, Martha, Elias B., Harrison, Lucinda, Stacey B., Sarah, Thomas, and Loverna, all of whom are dead, except Loverna, the wife of our subject.

Van Marter, Mansfield, was born in Groton in 1807, and died in the town in 1859. He is remembered as a thrifty and industrious farmer and a successful business manager. He was the son of Isaac and Margaret Van Marter, and one of their six children. The family were pioneers of Groton. Mansfield Van Marter married Polly

Saxton; and their children were: Sylvanus (deceased), whose children were Edwin and Effa; Estus, living near Ithaca, whose children are Frank, Orson, Nelson, George, and Elva; Augustus (deceased); Alonzo, of Groton, whose only child is Floyd; Philena; Salem (deceased); Ophelia, who married George Underwood; Judson, of Cayuga county, whose children are Ella, Daniel, and Clara; Charles, of Newfield, whose children are Freddie, Alice, and Howard; and Edwin W., a merchant of Grotto. The children of George and Ophelia Underwood are: Edith, Irving, Earl, Bertha, and George B. Edwin W. Van Marter married Emma Perry, and has three children: Arthur, Clarence, and Gracie. Edwin Van Marter started in the mercantile business in the south part of Groton in 1892, and being a determined man he has succeeded in having a post-office established there, under the name of Grotto, where he is postmaster. Previous attempts to locate an office in this locality have been unsuccessful, and it remained for our subject to accomplish a work for the good of the locality. The parents of Polly (Saxton) Van Marter were James and Ruth Saxton, whose children were: Betsey, Israel, Charles, Silas, Sally, Samuel, and Polly.

Van Nortwick, Simeon, a pioneer, came from Monmouth county, N. J., in 1804, and settled on the farm now owned by Sarah A. Van Nortwick, one and a half miles south of Peruville, in the town of Dryden. His wife, whose maiden name was Rebecca Hendrickson, and the children Nellie, John, William, and Joanna, accompanied him. The country at that time was very new, and one of the first things necessary after reaching their new home was for the pioneer to go five miles (one and a half miles west of West Dryden) for fire, it being their nearest neighbor. The wife of Simeon Van Nortwick died in 1817, after which he married Sarah Giles, widow of Benjamin Fulkerson, to whom were born two children, twin daughters: Rebecca M., who died aged twenty-one; and Sarah M., the wife of Rufus Lumbard, who is still living in Iowa City, Ia. Simeon Van Nortwick died in 1842, aged seventy-seven. His wife survived him fifteen years, having died in 1857. William Van Nortwick was born April 10, 1798, being but six years old at the time of their advent into Dryden. He succeeded his father as owner of the farm, now in the possession of his daughter, Sarah A. In 1819 he married Sarah M., daughter of Joel George, who also came from New Jersey in the early years of the century. She was born October 4, 1794. Six children were born to them: Mary E., born September 2, 1820, who married Daniel F. Bills, of Dryden, she died in February, 1891; Elizabeth was born September 13, 1822. She never married, and died in April, 1879; Clara was born October 13, 1824. She married George Mineah, of Dryden, and is now a widow, living on the farm near her father's old home; Sarah A. was born April 8, 1827. She never married, and now resides at the old homestead; Luana was born November 22, 1829. She married Rich Morgan, of Groton, who died in 1861, after which she married Richard Morgan, of the same town, and is still living in Groton. Ellen V. was born August 17, 1837, and married William H. Richardson. She is living in Freeville. William Van Nortwick died January 3, 1866, and his wife died February 16, 1874. The farm has never been out of the family in the ninety years since it was first settled. William Van Nortwick was one of the progressive and energetic men of early Dryden, a large land owner, a progressive and model farmer, and one of the few who enjoyed the distinction of being looked up to by all for his sterling integrity and unflinching honor among his fellowmen.

Van Order, W. A., was born November 29, 1842. His early education was acquired at the district school in Jacksonville, Tompkins county, but from force of circumstances he was soon obliged to leave school and take early lessons in farming, which was his choice of business, and in which he has shown great ability. At the time of the war between the North and South Mr. Van Order hastened to answer the call and went to the front. He received an honorable discharge, and returning home again took up farming. March 24, 1869, at the age of twenty-seven, he married Mary A. Barton, of Owego, Tioga county, by whom he had one son and four daughters. Mr. Van Order is a member of Dewitt C. Treman Post No. 571, G. A. R., and is a respected member of the town in which he lives.

Vorhis, Jotham, was born in the town of Danby, May 14, 1824. He was educated in the district schools, after leaving which he gave his attention to lumbering and farming, and also owned a tannery for about fifteen years. January 10, 1858, he married Julia G. Beardsley, of the town of Danby, by whom he had two children: Hattie C., wife of P. J. Herron; and John D. Mrs. Darius Beardsley, mother of Mrs. Vorhis, now lives with her daughter, and at the age of ninety-two is still bright and active. She spent her married life in Danby, whither she went in 1824, residing there fifty-four years, and she and her husband were among the earliest settlers there. Her father-in-law, Louis Beardsley, was also an early settler of the locality. Mr. Vorhis is a Republican in politics. He came to the town of Ithaca in 1876 and went into the Cascadilla Flouring Mill with H. C. Williams. In 1874 he bought a residence and fruit farm of five acres of Chester Luce on West Hill, and here he now lives. He has been something of a traveler, having spent two years in California and several winters in Florida.

Tripp, M. E., was born in Dutchess county, town of Stanford, N. Y., September 30, 1825, and came to Tompkins county with his father, James Tripp, in 1836 and settled on lot No. 69, where his son now resides. James Tripp was identified in the leading interests of his town, lived to be eighty-seven years of age, and died May 6, 1879. He was in the service of the War of 1814, was lieutenant under Captain Wilsey from Dutchess and Columbia counties. They were stationed on Long Island to guard Brooklyn and New York from the British fleet that lay near there. In his latter years he drew a pension of eight dollars per month. M. E. Tripp 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 Miss Eliza T. Burton, daughter of Warren Burton, of Dryden. He takes an active interest in temperance, educational and religious matters, being an elder in the Presbyterian church of Dryden for the past fifteen years. In 1868 he bought a timber lot of 105 acres with Joseph McGraw, and afterwards purchased his interests. In 1869 he bought part of the Dwight & McElheny farm. In 1885 he bought part of the Albert-Clarke property, and in 1886 he bought part of the Jennie McGraw-Fiske estate, in 1888 he bought the W. W. Ellas property, having about 400 acres of timber and farm lands, and raising large amounts of hay, grain and stock. He makes a specialty of lumbering and dairying, and having a herd of thirty-five grade Jersey cows. He is interested in promoting the Dryden Agricultural Society and the Dryden and Groton Fire Insurance Company, also ex-president of the Dryden Agricultural Society.

Trapp, Almond, was born in Dryden in 1820. His father, William, came to Dryden in 1810, among the early settlers. Our subject was educated in the public schools, and is a self-made man. At the age of twenty-five he married Malvina Thomas, daughter of Michael Thomas, of Dryden, and they have had four daughters, two surviving: Mrs. Cora Givens and Mrs. George Nye. In 1848 Mr. Trapp bought the John Hutchings farm, and in 1860 purchased part of the Thomas Givens property, having fifty acres, and also a residence and twelve building lots in Cortland. Mr. Trapp is a respected citizen of the town and a much respected man.

Tarbell, Frank H., was born in Lansing, June 11, 1858, a son of Abram H., born in Schuyler county in 1826. The latter was prominent in the community, taking a deep interest in the politics of his town and county. In 1861 he bought the farm of 100 acres now owned by Frank H. In 1848 he married Margaret Howser, daughter of Charles and Catharine Howser, of Lansing. Eight children were born to them, six of whom grew to maturity: Alice, wife of Frank Haring; Ida A., wife of Ben O. Brown; Frank H.; Emma, wife of William E. Davis; Effie D.; and Ed, who graduated from the University of Cornell (agricultural course), class of 1889. Mr. Tarbell died in 1876 from injuries received while leading a team and walking backward, not noticing where he was going he backed against a tree, and the end of the pole of the wagon pinned him against the tree. His wife survives him and resides with Frank H. The father of Abram was Thomas, a native of Pennsylvania, who came to Groton and there died in 1886 at the age of eighty-six years. His wife, Lydia Miller, survived him two years, dying at the age of eighty-four. They were married in 1823, and fifty years later celebrated their golden wedding. Frank H. attended the common schools and the High School at Ithaca, then took one term in a business college. On the death of his father, when Frank was about eighteen, he returned home to assist in the farm duties, later purchasing the interest of the other heirs in the homestead, to which he has added by purchase. He has made many improvements, and now owns a fine and well equipped farm. August 25, 1886, he married Hattie A., daughter of John and Catharine Sill, of Genoa, Cayuga county, and they have two children: Kenneth A., born March 15, 1890; and M. Gladys, born April 12, 1893. Mr. Tarbell has served as excise commissioner five years, and seven years as justice of the peace. He is a Republican and a Free Mason, both he and his wife are members of the Grange.

Teeter, Frank, is a son of Andrew Teeter, and was born in Enfield, May 3, 1850. Peter, the father of Andrew, was an early settler in Lansing, followed farming, and had a family of ten children. Andrew married first Sally Tichenor, who bore him these children: Jerome, Emma, Helen, Lovina, and Frank. Mr. Teeter married second Lovina Tichenor, a sister of his first wife, and third Statira Leonard. He settled in Enfield early in life and died here September 7, 1893, aged seventy-four years. Frank Teeter married Mary Ettie, daughter of Isaac N. Rumsey, and has four children: Charley F., Susan Eliza, Lena L., and Seth H. In April, 1894, he removed from his farm to Enfield Center, where he purchased and now conducts the hotel long owned by Moses L. Harvey.

Tibbetts, Frank E., was born in Danby, November 9, 1846. He was educated in the common schools and Ithaca Academy, and in 1868 entered Cornell University, from which, in the fall of 1871, he entered the office of Judge Van Valkenburg, and

after the death of the judge studied with Judge Marcus Lyon. He was admitted to the bar in 1874, and immediately began a lucrative practice in Ithaca, which he has ever since held. He is a Republican, and in 1893 was elected delegate to the Constitutional Convention to be held in 1894, chairman of the Republican City Committee for several years, and secretary of the County Committee for a number of years. While Mr. Tibbetts is active in politics, and a believer in party organizations, he has always been an advocate of the highest and purest political methods. He is the only railroad lawyer of the city, and is the attorney for the Lehigh Valley and E. C. & N. railroads since 1878, and a director of the C. & N. Railroad. At the breaking out of the war he enlisted at the age of sixteen in Company I, 179th Regiment, N. Y. S. Volunteer Infantry, and served until July 4, 1865. He is past commander of Sidney Post, G. A. R., and has filled all the chairs of the order; he is one of its charter members. He married in 1876 Mary A., daughter of G. A. Todd, of Danby, and they have one son, Harland B.

Tompkins, C. A., was born in the town of Danby, and when he was six months old his parents moved to Newfield, in 1855, his father being Almeron, who was born in this county in 1800, who married Eliza McCan, of Newfield, by whom he had six children. Of these our subject was the youngest, and now owns a place of seventy-five acres. He married Ina Curtis, of Newfield. Our subject has always been a Republican in politics, though he has never held office.

Townley, Lewis J., was born in Lansing, August 11, 1845, a son of John A. and Mary A. Townley. He was brought up on his father's farm, receiving his early education at the district schools, with one year at the Ithaca Academy. At the age of about twenty-three our subject began farming for himself, and in connection with his work was the Lansing correspondent for various papers, and finally, in the fall of 1879, he started a Lansing department in the Groton Journal, which then became known as the Groton and Lansing Journal. Four years later, in 1883, Mr. Townley bought the paper, and then became a resident of Groton. September 18, 1867, Mr. Townley married Mary Dodd, of Ithaca, and they have three children. Mr. Townley is a staunch Republican, and his paper is conducted on true and unwavering principles. It is also recognized as one of the leading family papers of the region. Our subject has served as village trustee and member of the Board of Education.

Tompkins, Joseph A., was born in White Plains, Westchester county, August 31, 1843, a son of Bishop T., a farmer of that county. His early life was spent in his native county, where he was educated in the common schools. August —, 1862, at the age of nineteen, he enlisted in the 135th N. Y. Volunteer Infantry, and at Baltimore was transferred to the 6th N. Y. Heavy Artillery. He saw service with the Army of the Potomac in all of their important engagements. Returning to White Plains at the close of the war he engaged in carpentry work, following that till 1868, when he moved to Ithaca, where he followed his trade for a year, and then engaged in the mercantile business. Mr. Tompkins has not been a continuous resident of this city, but has traveled throughout the West and South, engaged in business in different places. In June, 1883, he was appointed deputy postmaster of Ithaca, and was out after the first Cleveland administration, and was again appointed July 22, 1889, and has now filled the office six years. Mr. Tompkins is a member of the K. of P.,

and of the Episcopal church. He was married in 1870 to Miss Sarah Boda, of South Danby, and they have two children: Viola M. and Ray E.

Taber, Benjamin F., was born in the town of Ithaca, February 4, 1824, a grandson of Jeduthun Taber, a ship builder of New Bedford, who came to Tompkins county about 1818 and bought a tract of land at the head of the lake, where he conducted a tavern many years and also engaged in boat building. Of his four children, Lloyd, father of our subject, was the second son, and was also a native of New Bedford, following his father's trade until his death, which occurred when he was under thirty. He married Isabella Sigler, of this State, and they had three children, of whom Benjamin F. was the oldest and the only son. He was educated in the common schools and the old Ithaca Academy, and at the age of twenty-one became proprietor of a boat yard at the inlet, which he has ever since conducted. During the last forty-eight years he has built more than 250 canal and river boats, twelve being steamers. He was the builder of the lake steamer Forest City. He also superintended in 1892 and 1893 the hull of the steam yacht Clara for Charles Kellogg, which is considered the finest on the lake. He has also built a large number of small boats. The number of men employed varies from four to thirty. Mr. Taber has been identified with various business ventures at different times in company with R. W. King, having been also interested with his uncle, Benjamin Taber, in the grain and transportation business. He is a Republican, and has been trustee of the village, school commissioner for twenty years, etc. He married Rebecca, daughter of Jeduthun P. Taber, and they have had seven children, four now living: Charles, who is in business with his father; Fred, a druggist of Addison, N. Y.; Mrs. E. W. Gregory, of Ithaca; and B. Frank, a Baptist preacher of Saginaw, Mich. Cassius N., who was also a boat builder, died aged twenty-nine, and the others when children.

Tichenor, James H., was born in Ithaca, August 21, 1832, son of Joseph Smith Tichenor, for many years a manufacturing hatter of this town. His mother was Eliza Selover, of Auburn. James was educated at the old academy and took a college preparatory course, but his father was induced by Ezra Cornell to teach the son telegraphy, of which profession he was one of the pioneers. At the breaking out of the war we find him studying law in the office of Dana & Beers, where he was not contented to remain with the preservation of the Union in peril, so he became the first enlisted soldier of Tompkins county, and raised Company A of the 32d Regiment N. Y. Volunteers. The enlistments for this company were commenced three days after the first gun was fired on Fort Sumter. After the close of the war he resumed the study of law with the captain of his company, Jerome Rowe, previously county judge. In 1869 he engaged in mercantile business in Ithaca. From 1870-72 he filled the office of superintendent of motive power and telegraphy for the Geneva, Ithaca, and Sayre Railroad Company. In 1872 he was appointed justice of the peace to fill vacancy, and in the following year was elected to the same office, and at the expiration of his term was again appointed to fill vacancy. In 1878 he was admitted to practice at the bar, and has since followed the profession. In 1868 Mr. Tichenor was appointed by the governor as commissary of the 50th Regiment of the National Guard, with rank of captain. In 1871 he was appointed judge advocate on the staff of Gen. C. F. Blood, with rank of major in the 28th Brigade, N. G. S. N. Y., and served in that capacity until the brigade was disbanded. Mr. Tichenor was one of

the originators of the G. A. R. Post of this town, and has filled all the offices of the order, except commander. He was married in 1853 to Eiiza Lee, daughter of Dr. J. S. Lee, of the drug firm of Lee & Woodard in Ithaca. They have one son, Edward Carleton Tichenor, a lawyer of Ithaca, and one daughter.

Tarbell, Thomas B., was born in Delaware county, N. Y., March 21, 1800, his parents coming from Southern Vermont and the parent stock back four generations from Saxony. Lydia Miller was born in East Lansing, March 12, 1804, her father, Joseph Miller, coming from New Jersey. He owned a very large tract of land running north and south from the road leading west from the Baptist church and was the owner of slaves until about 1790. A descendant of his last one freed is now (1894) living in Ithaca. Thomas B. Tarbell and Lydia Miller were married October 15, 1823, at East Lansing. The issue of that marriage was thirteen children, ten boys and three girls. The first child a daughter, then eight boys in line, the seventh, born May 16, 1838, in the west part of Groton, N. Y., was called Doctor Tarbell. Young Doctor like all the rest of the children, was brought up on a farm, going to school winters and working on the farm at home or for neighbors in the summer. In 1857 he started out for additional educational advantages and attended the fall term in Homer Academy, hiring a room and boarding himself, his whole expense for this term, room, books, provisions, etc., being \$18.75. He taught the winter term (1857-58) in the first district north of Peruville and the following fall attended again at Homer, and returned and taught in his own, known as the Benson district, teaching and attending school alternately until 1861, when he was in school at Ithaca, expecting to enter Union College in September in the class of 1865. But when Fort Sumter was fired upon in April, 1861, he volunteered as a private in Company A, Second Regiment, the first military organization to leave Tompkins county. Early in May he was made sergeant; in November, 1861, second lieutenant; in February, 1862, first lieutenant, and as such volunteered to lead a forlorn hope of one hundred men across the Chickahominy River in front of Richmond on June 2, 1862, to drive the enemy's sharpshooters back so that General Woodbury's engineers could work on a new bridge which was needed by McClellan's army, north of Richmond. The day was successful, Lieutenant Tarbell, with a squad of his men, escorted Woodbury during the day back nearly one-half mile in the enemy's country. There was where he won his captaincy from President Lincoln in United States Volunteers, which was given him in October, 1862. At Malvern Hill, July 4, he was called by General Newton to serve on his staff. He had been with his company at Bull Run, July, 1861, and in all its skirmishes and battles through the Peninsular campaign. From now on he served as a staff officer with General Newton at South Mountain, Crampton's Pass, Maryland, and Antietam, till November, then with General David A. Russell, Third Brigade, First Division, Sixth Corps, till March, 1863, when by order he was sent to General Whipple's division, Third Corps, and was with him at Chancellorsville, May, 1863, where General Whipple's division was so terribly slaughtered, General Whipple being mortally wounded. Captain Tarbell was the only member of the staff not wounded or killed. The remnant of General Whipple's division being divided among the other two divisions of the Third Corps, Captain Tarbell was sent to Third Corps headquarters early in June. He served with General Sickles in the Maryland and Pennsylvania campaigns and rode with him on the Gettysburg battle

ground July 1, 1863. The story of the part the Third Corps took in that memorable engagement fills a bright page in history and is too well known to need a word here. Captain Tarbell served with the Third Corps till it was disbanded. He was then assigned to the Cavalry Corps, serving with Generals Chapman, Wells, and Wilson through all the campaigns in the summer of 1864. He was captured by Mosby, September 21, 1864, near Winchester, Va., and sent to Libby Prison, from there October 10, to Salisbury, N. C., October 15, transferred to Danville Prison, February 18, retransferred to Libby, where he suffered, as only Union prisoners know, all the torments of cold, filth, hunger and disease. When paroled February 22, 1865, he telegraphed his confidential clerk, Professor S. B. Howe, "Out of prison. Purgatory has no terrors." On arriving at Annapolis, Captain Tarbell was granted a thirty day leave of absence, Although he was captured September 21, his friends in the North had no tidings from him till in January, 1865, and for a long time mourned him as dead. Captain Tarbell married Mary L. Conant, March 14, 1865, at Peruville while enjoying his thirty day leave of absence. He was officially declared exchanged March 28, and ordered to report to General Sheridan for duty, on expiration of leave of absence. On his way to the army he stopped a few days in Washington and was present in Ford's Theatre on the night of the assassination of President Lincoln, April 14, 1865. He received a commission as major by brevet in United States Volunteers, for meritorious services. He left the United States service in August, 1865. After Cornell University opened in 1868, he attended five terms; was elected county clerk of Tompkins county in 1870, and re-elected 1873. He is now engaged in the life insurance business, representing the Equitable Life Assurance Society as general agent and has a very large range of duties. He is a total abstainer, using neither tobacco or liquor. In religion he was raised a Baptist, in politics a Republican, a scholar of Greeley's New York Tribune. His home is now with his family at No. 10 North Geneva street, Ithaca.

Saylor, Cynthia, was born in Tompkins county, December 1, 1829, was married in 1852, to Sampson George, who was born in Yorkshire, England. Their home was on a farm until Mr. George's death, June 18, 1890. Since that time Mrs. George has resided in Independence, Ia.

Simons, William A., was born in Dryden, September 7, 1848. His father, Adam, with his grandfather, Benjamin Simons, came to Dryden in 1808, and settled on lot 67, where their descendants now reside and which has been in the family for the past eighty-six years. William A. Simons received his education in the common schools to which he has added through life by reading and close observation. He married at the age of twenty-four, Helen S. Cole, daughter of Joseph Cole, who passed away March 17, 1890. Our subject is one of the progressive intelligent men of his town, where he is identified in the leading events of his day and is recognized as a man of sterling worth and character and as a practical farmer.

Schenck, Amasa Dana, a well known native of Lansing, was born February 3, 1843, a son of Edward Hunt Schenck, of Easton, Pa., born in 1802, who came to this town about 1823, and engaged in a cabinet shop near East Lansing, where he remained several years, and later married his employer's daughter, Mary Miller, by whom he had eight children, six of whom are now living: George, Paulina, wife of Anson Howser; Sarah, wife of Harvey De Camp; Amasa D., Ellen, wife of George W.

Allen; and Alice, wife of Edgar F. Tallmadge. The father died August 14, 1867, and the mother May 22, 1892. Amasa D. was educated in East Lansing district school, and at the age of fifteen began the vocation of his father, in company with his brother, that of painting, and this trade he followed until 1872, when he bought a farm and has since followed farming. October 14, 1861, he enlisted in Company G, Tenth New York Cavalry at East Lansing. He served until 1864, then re-enlisted in the field, and served till the close of the war. He participated in the following battles: Brandy Station, Aldie, Middleburg, Upperville, Snicker's Gap, Gettysburg, Sheperdstown, Culpepper, Travillian Station, Cold Harbor, Sulphur Springs, and St. Mary's Church. He received gun shot wound through wrist, at Sulphur Springs, October 12, 1863. He was also wounded at St. Mary's Church, June 24, 1864, musket ball passing through right eye and coming out just in front of left ear. After the loss of his eye it was six months before he was able to do light duty. He was mustered out June 7, 1865. In 1873 he married Susannah, daughter of Jacob and Marietta Ross, of Lansing, and they have two children: Stella B., born June 6, 1875, and Floyd R., born January 11, 1881. Mr. Schenck is a G. A. R. man, of Lodge 334, and is a Republican in politics.

Snyder, Philip S., was born in the town of Dryden, October 4, 1840. His father, Ira Snyder, and his grandfather, Henry Snyder, were among the earliest settlers in the town, Henry Snyder coming into the town in 1800, and settling on lot 53. Philip received his education in the common schools and is a self-educated man. At the age of thirty he married Nancy Stewart, daughter of John Stewart, of Dryden. In politics he takes the Republican side. In 1887 he bought what was known as the Burton Smith property of sixty-four acres and makes a specialty of raising stock and sheep. Our subject is one of the substantial farmers in his town, taking a prominent part in advancing its best interests, and is a conservative, independent man.

Townley, Richard A., was born in Groton, April 23, 1836, a son of Effingham and Fanny (Bower) Townley, and grandson of the pioneer, Richard Townley, who settled in Lansing a hundred years ago, and of whom much will be found written elsewhere among those pages. Richard A. was educated in common schools and attended the Groton Academy. He lived at home until twenty-four years of age, and December 30, 1859, married Ellen M. Childs, of Groton. One child was born of this marriage. Mr. Townley is a successful farmer, and his farm is among the best in the eastern part of the town. William Childs came from Massachusetts to Groton in 1812, bringing a large family of thirteen children, eleven of whom grew to maturity: Lydia, Crocker, William, Lyman, Orlando, Louisa, Samantha, Sylvester, Nancy, Chloe, and Maria. William Childs, the pioneer, died February 18, 1850, and his wife, Chloe, died April 11, 1872. Orlando Childs was born May 15, 1810, lived for many years on an excellent farm southeast of Groton village, and there he died, March 14, 1891. His wife, whose maiden name was Mary Adams, and to whom he was married February 20, 1854, died November 6, 1887. Their children were: Calista A., who married Ransom Smith; Almira S., who married John G. Cobb; Ellen M., wife of Richard A. Townley. Henry Adams came from Connecticut to Groton about the year 1825, and settled on the old salt road. He was a hatter by trade, but like many of Groton's early settlers gave his principal attention to farming. He died in 1852, and was survived by his wife about thirty years. Henry Adams's children were these:

Mary, who married Orlando Childs; Sally, who married Harry Mix; David, who died in Binghamton; Leonard, who died aged twenty years; and Lydia, who became the wife of Gilbert Wilson,

Stoddard, Edward Schuyler, born in Ithaca, March 22, 1865. The Stoddard family is one of the oldest families of this country. John Stoddard, of whom our subject is ten generations removed was in 1645 a resident of Connecticut, and in tracing the family down we find them numerous and distinguished, as they can count in their relations a noted general (W. T. Sherman), and others prominent in political and social life. Edward Stoddard, the father of our subject, was born in Danby, N. Y., October 2, 1816, married September 2, 1841, Christina Maria Heath. She died August 15, 1842, and he married second Anna Eliza Schuyler, daughter of J. V. R. Schuyler, and they had four children, of whom our subject is the youngest.

Tallmadge, Alanson, was born in Greenfield, Saratoga county, May 25, 1820, the only surviving child of five born to Seth and Bethenia Tallmadge. In 1830 the family came to West Groton, where the father was a cooper and farmer; but after a time they moved to Cayuga county, where Mr. Tallmadge died. Alanson was brought up to the cooper's trade, working at it several years, and teaching for a number of terms winters. In 1855 he bought the Gurnsey farm of eighty acres, on which he now lives. At that time it was considered unprofitable property, but Mr. Tallmadge, by good management and industry, has succeeded in making it one of the best and most productive farms in the town. The old buildings were long ago removed, and in their place are large and substantial structures. In 1843 Alanson Tallmadge married Melvina Weeks, by whom he had five children: Hanford J., of Ithaca, Edgar, of West Groton; Seymour, now in the West; Laura, wife of George Cutter; Ella M., and Lewis, of West Groton, and Chalmer, who died in infancy. Mrs. Tallmadge died July 14, 1860, and February 26, 1878, Mr. Tallmadge married widow Lorena B. Hatch, daughter of Daniel Buck of Lansing. Mr. Tallmadge is a Prohibitionist, and both he and his wife are members of the Lansing and Groton Baptist church.

Tallmadge, Edgar F., was born in Groton, January 22, 1849, and was the son of Alanson and Melvina Tallmadge, who were highly respected farmers of West Groton. Until eighteen years of age Edgar lived on the farm; but then learned the carpenter trade, at which he worked during the summer and taught school during the winter. Upon two occasions he went West, remaining about a year each time; but before returning home from his last trip he was stricken with paralysis and deprived of the use of his limbs. About this time he began packing eggs for the market, his first season's output being about one barrel; but from this beginning the business has steadily increased until the annual shipment amounts to at least 4,000 crates. About 1883 the firm of Tallmadge Bros. was formed, and in addition to the egg business they became extensive apiarians, having now about 200 colonies of bees, their product, however, being principally extracted honey. We may say here that the business established by Edgar F. Tallmadge has been entirely successful, and an elegant home and all of its attending comforts are the reward of his industry. He married Alice Schenck, of East Lansing, and they have three children. Mr. Tallmadge is a Republican in politics, and at one time was town collector. Both he and his wife are members of the West Groton Congregational Church.

Thompson, John C., was born in Ithaca, August 10, 1848. John L., his father, was a native of this county, born in Danby, and he has always followed farming. His wife was Julia A. Masterson, of this county, a daughter of Jacob Masterson, and they had five children, of whom our subject was the third. Our subject owns a farm of eighty-five acres, situated in Newfield. He is a member of the Patrons of Husbandry, Newfield Lodge, and is a Democrat in politics, being at present assessor of the town.

Taber, W. P., of Newfield, was born August 11, 1855, a son of Peleg Taber, who was born in Enfield in 1813, and has been a farmer all his life. In 1849 he settled on a farm of 101 acres, and in 1834 married Samantha Culver, of Enfield, by whom he had seven children, our subject being the youngest. He has followed the calling of his father, working his father's farm since the age of eighteen years. September 21, 1887, he married Mary L. Sebring, of this town, and they have two children, Ruth E. and Lawrence S. Mr. Taber is a Democrat.

Teeter, William H., was born in the town of Ithaca, December 18, 1852, on the old Teeter farm, owned by his father, Isaac Teeter. He received a district school education and has made farming his occupation. Mr. Teeter owns a farm of ninety-five acres four miles south of Ithaca—a good grain farm—and makes a specialty of tobacco. He has four children. Minnie and Ernest by a former marriage. At the age of 35 years he married a daughter of James Oborn, of Wisconsin, and they have two children, Willis and Blanch.

Tichenor, William J., was born in the town of Hector, Tompkins county (now Schuyler) October 29, 1841, and came to reside in Ulysses with his parents when a child. He was educated in the district schools and Trumansburgh Academy. He was in the mercantile business three years and in the lumber business five years, and is now engaged in farming near the village of Trumansburgh. He is one of the town's most prosperous men, and is a trustee of the Methodist church. His first marriage occurred March 4, 1862, to Lovisa T., daughter of Ephraim S. Pratt, of this town. They had three children: Fred E., Huldah A. and Florence M. The son is a station agent on the Wisconsin Central Railway at the present time, and the daughters reside at home. Mr. Tichenor married the second time January 6, 1891, Mrs. Henrietta Proper, *nee* Collins, of Iowa. Ephraim S., father of our subject, was born in Dutchess county, near Poughkeepsie, May 19, 1809, and came to Hector with his parents in 1818. December 29, 1831, he married Maria Meeks of that town, by whom he had four children: Erving C., Emily S., William J., and Benjamin F. Erving enlisted as a soldier in the late war, in Co. C, 50th Engineers, N. Y. Vols., and died at Washington, D. C., October 3, 1862. Emily S. married Elijah Anderson of Port Dover, Ont., where they now reside. Benjamin F. married Elizabeth Harpst. of Peoria, Ill., and they have one son, Frank H. Ephraim S. died December 27, 1889, and his wife September 17 of the same year. Our subject's first wife died September 24, 1889.

Thomas, H. D., was born in the town of Dryden December 22, 1836. Benjamin Thomas, his father, was a native of New York city, being left an orphan at an early age. He moved to Tompkins county in 1833 and took up farming. His son, H. D., worked with his father until 1861, when he and his brother took the farm at Dryden

and worked it together till 1866. In this year he married Louisa Tripp, daughter of Daniel A. Tripp, of Harford, Cortland county, and moved to his present farm in the town of Caroline. They have three children: Charles E., Annie L. and Edith L. In politics Mr. Thomas is a Republican, though he has never aspired to public office. He has, however, served as highway commissioner one term.

Townley, Frank, one of Lansing's prominent young farmers, was born here October 2, 1850, a son of John A., also a native of this town, born December 1, 1811. The grandfather was Lewis Townley, who came here with his parents when young. He married Hannah Alexander, by whom he had seven children, of whom the father of Frank was the second. At his father's death he came into possession of a portion of the homestead, and later bought the part on which the house where he was born stood. For fifty years it never had a death within its walls, and on this farm he reared his three children: Lewis J., Frank, and Fred A. His wife was Mary A. Godley, who still survives him. He died in 1892. Our subject was educated in the common schools until the age of about seventeen. He worked with his father until 1882, then bought the farm of ninety-four acres on lot seventy-one and began for himself. In 1881 he married Agnes, daughter of Charles G. and Fannie M. Hagin, of Lansing, and they have one child, Robin B., born January 20, 1887. Mr. Townley is a Republican and a member of the Lansingville Grange.

Stewart, Edwin C., was born in the town of Newfield, March 8, 1864, only son of D. B. Stewart. He was educated in the public and High School of Ithaca, and was for three years one of the proprietors of the Ithaca Cigar Manufacturing Co., afterwards conducting the John L. Whiton bakery for three years. Since 1890 he has been a member of the firm of D. B. Stewart & Co. Mr. Stewart is a Republican in politics and an active worker in the party, for four years being chairman of the Republican County Committee. In the fall of 1892 he was nominated by the party to represent his district in the State Assembly, and elected by a majority of 700. In legislative session 1893-94 he was a member of the Ways and Means, and Printing Committees. He offered the bill creating the State Veterinary College in Cornell, which was passed, appropriating \$50,000. He also introduced the bill making appropriation to improve Cayuga Inlet; a bill amending the military code in the interest of the Sons of Veterans; a bill permitting villages to create electric light plants, and other important measures. He is a member of Hobasco Lodge No. 716, F. & A. M., Eagle Chapter and Ithaca Council, St. Augustine Commandery. He is also a K. of P., and for eight years has been connected with the Tornado Hook and Ladder Co. No. 3.

Stout, Wilmer, was born on Salt Roads, town of Groton, November 11, 1844, a son of Abram Hart Stout, born in Dryden, who married Hannah Castle, and reared four children: Wesley, Wilmer, Algernon H. and Luther C. After his marriage he removed to the town of Groton and bought a small farm, which he sold later and moved to Lansing. He died in 1861, aged forty-eight, and his wife in 1889, aged seventy-four. The father of Abram was Peter Lott, and his mother was Wealthy Luther, natives of New Jersey. Wilmer was reared on the farm, and attended the district schools. He remained on the farm with his parents till the age of eighteen, when in 1862 he enlisted in Co. F, 9th Heavy Artillery, going with his company to Washington. He went from there to camp Nellie Seward, under command of

Colonel Wellington, and they built Fort Baird. The next move was across the eastern branch of the Potomac River to Fort Dupont, where they remained two months. He was engaged in the following battles: The Wilderness, Cold Harbor, in front of Petersburg, in front of Washington when Early made his raid, Winchester, Fisher's Hill and Cedar Creek. He was wounded at Cedar Creek, and removed to hospital at Philadelphia, where he remained about four months, when he returned to his regiment. He was discharged from McClelland's Hospital May 31, 1865, and returned home and engaged in farming, which he followed till 1872, when he learned the blacksmith's trade, which he has since followed. In October, 1891, he received his commission as postmaster at Lansingville. In 1884 he married Lillian, only living daughter of William and Electa (Fuller) Miles, of Lock. She is one of six children, three of whom died in childhood. Our subject is a Republican. Mrs. Stout's family is one of the oldest in America and can be traced to the early Puritans of New England.

Snyder, George, was born on the Snyder homestead in the town of Dryden, October 16, 1842. His father, James Snyder, was a son of George Snyder, who was one of the earliest settlers in the town, coming in and settling about 1800. James Snyder, with his brother, Ira W. Snyder, owned the homestead in common and spent their lives side by side on the same property. Ira died in 1891 and James followed in 1893. James married at the age of twenty-seven, Maria Fulkerson, daughter of Josiah Fulkerson, and they were the parents of four children, three sons, George, Giles and Hiram, and one daughter, Emily J., of whom one son, George, is now living. George was educated in the common schools and finished at the Ithaca High School under Professor Williams. At the age of twenty-eight he married Sarah Albright, daughter of Jacob Albright, of Dryden. He takes the Republican side in politics and an active, intelligent interest in educational and religious matters. Our subject is a prominent man in his town, a descendant of one of the oldest families, who have always been connected with all the leading events of the town.

Sherwood, William W., was born in Groton February 14, 1832. His father, William Sherwood, came to Dryden in 1833, and was employed in the Isaac Bishop mill, between Etna and Varna. W. W. Sherwood was educated in the common schools, to which he has added through life by reading and close observation. After leaving school he went into his father's mill, and in 1858 rented a half interest in the mill, and the business was known and conducted by William and W. W. Sherwood. In 1866 he bought outright a one-half interest in the mill and at the death of William Sherwood, which occurred in 1889, the balance was purchased by W. W. Sherwood, which he afterward sold to John W. West. In 1881 he bought of Thomas R. Weed a residence in Etna, where he now resides. Also in 1889 he bought the old homestead of fifty acres. He also owns a house and lot in Dryden village. At twenty-four years of age he married Miss Amy Gifford, daughter of Benjamin Gifford, of Dryden. They were the parents of one daughter, Miss Nellie L. Sherwood, a lovely girl, who was called away at the age of twelve years. Our subject has been commissioner of highways in his town for three successive terms.

Speed, Robert Goodloe Harper, was born in Caroline, July 5, 1845. Dr. Joseph Speed, the grandfather of Robert, had ten children, of whom James Richard, our subject's father, was the seventh, being born in Caroline March 20, 1815, educated

in Cortland Academy and studied law in Ithaca, practicing, however, but a short time and returning to the farm. He was killed by lightning in 1854. He was a trustee of the People's College, which was finally merged into Cornell University. He married Frances C. Peters of Ithaca, by whom he had six children, Mary Caroline, Richard Peters, Robert, Henry Linn, Jessie Harper and Sallie Peters, the last four of whom and the mother are now living. Of these Robert was the third. He was educated at Cortland Academy at Homer, and Cornell University, graduating in the classical course at the academy in 1867, and with the class of '71 at Cornell University with the degree of Ph. B. Soon after leaving college he was elected school commissioner, first on the Republican ticket and afterwards on the Liberal Republican with the endorsement of the Democratic and Prohibition parties, serving six years, and in 1884 he was elected supervisor of the town, serving four years. For the past five years Mr. Speed has been justice of the peace. He is still a Republican, but too independent to be a strong partisan. In October, 1872, he married Romelia Van Pelt, daughter of L. D. Van Pelt, of Dryden, and they have five children. The oldest son, Robert L., is now a sophomore in Cornell; Bessie F. is a graduate of Ithaca High School, where Mary H. is now a student, and Lorenzo and Emma are at home. Mr. Speed is a charter member of Caroline Lodge No. 681, F. and A. M.; a member of Eagle Chapter No. 58; a member of the Grange, and of the I. O. G. T. He is a director in the Town and County Insurance Company, and also in the County Agricultural Society. He built the Caroline Cheese Factory in 1868 and still owns it.

Space, Thomas, was born in the town of Dryden in 1814. His father, Jacob Space, was one of the oldest settlers of the town, coming here in 1805. Thomas Space married, at the age of thirty, Laura Griswold, who died in 1847, and in 1849 he married Lydia J., daughter of Gardner West, and their children, five in number, Thomas R., Frank G., Belle C., Fred D. and Eugene, four survive, Frank G. having died the 4th of March, 1889. In 1841 Thomas Space bought part of the Mathew Griswold farm, thirty-five acres, and in 1851 a portion of the John Tyler farm; also in 1864 the A. J. Cord farm, and in 1880 a part of the Abram Butts farm, having in connection with his sons about 260 acres, on which they produce large crops of hay, grain, etc., and keep a large dairy, he having turned over most of the management to his sons, who are representative young farmers in their town and men of ability. The family is one of the oldest in the town.

Fiske, Asa Severance, got into this world March 2, 1833, at Strongsville, Ohio. His father was Deacon David, and his mother Laura Severance. They returning to Shelburne, Mass., he was brought up there, passed through the common schools, and prepared for college at the Ames Academy in that town. In 1851 he entered Amherst College, graduated in 1855 A. B., A. M. in 1857, tutor in 1857-8, licensed to preach in 1857 by the Franklin County Congregational Association, was ordained and settled as first pastor of the Plymouth Congregational Church, St. Paul, Minnesota in 1859, and was chaplain of the State Senate in 1859-60. In the fall of 1861 he became chaplain of the 4th Minn. Vol. Infantry, and in the winter went to the field with his regiment, served with it for a year and a half, and was then transferred by special order of Gen. Grant to service in the department of Freedmen and Refugees in the military district of Memphis. Thence was sent North by Gen. Grant to aid

in organizing the Bureau of Freedmen's Affairs. In varied work in this interest at Washington and on the Mississippi river from Memphis to Natchez, he was occupied until the close of the war. In 1865 he was settled at Rockville, Conn., where he remained five years, the church nearly doubling its membership during his pastorate. From that church he was called to St. Peter's Presbyterian Church of Rochester, N. Y., where he remained for five years, paying off a debt of \$30,000. In 1875 he was called to a pastorate in San Francisco, Cal., where he remained for nine years, and in 1884 was called to the Presbyterian Church in Ithaca, where he is still the pastor. He received the honorary title of D. D. from Hamilton College in 1891. In 1860 he married Elizabeth Worthington Hand, of Madison, Conn. His two daughters are Zoë Worthington and Christabel Forsythe, and an infant son, Edward Severance, lies in the family lot in the cemetery at Shelburne Falls, Mass. The Ithaca church has grown during the nine and one-half years of this pastorate from 380 to 660 members, and a subscription has been made of about \$52,000 for the erection of a new church edifice. Of the present members of the church, 430 have united with it under the present pastorate.

Skillings, S. M., was born in the town of Dryden, March 7, 1835. His father, Wm. W. Skillings, was one of the earliest settlers in the town, and settled on lot No. 4. He afterwards bought part of lot 15, where S. M. Skillings now resides. The latter 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 Sophia, daughter of B. C. Fulkerson, of Dryden, who passed away in 1877. They had one son, Fay. In 1889 he married Sarah, daughter of James Giles. In 1873 he bought the homestead of eighty acres where he now lives, raising hay, grain and stock. He takes the Republican side in politics, and an interest in school and church matters. Our subject is a conservative, independent citizen, well posted on the leading issues of the day and taking an active part in advancing the best interests of the town.

Stephens, Philip, was born in Alsace, Germany, February 12, 1819, and came to America in 1837, first locating in New York, where he remained two years, then moved to Ulster county and followed various employments till 1842. That year he removed to Ithaca and established a market and butchering business. For many years he did a wholesale and shipping business, especially in pork. He was first located on State street, where the Alhambra now is, and from there moved opposite the Tompkins County Bank, where he occupied a small building for a time, until he was burned out; then he moved to the corner of Tioga and State streets. In 1850 he moved to East State street, where he bought the store he has since occupied. Mr. Stephens is a member of the I. O. O. F. Ithaca Lodge. He was married to Elizabeth Ketchen, of Enfield, and they have one son and two daughters.

Sisson, Edward, was born in Lavana, Cayuga county, October 18, 1818; was educated in the public schools until he was about sixteen years old, and then learned the mason's trade with his brother, which he followed six years. He then learned the moulder's trade, which he followed since, and in the employ of one concern, Gregg & Co., since 1857 as foreman moulder. December 3, 1847, he married Ann Hewitt, formerly of Genoa, Cayuga county, N. Y. They have had four children: Carrie, Hattie, Nellie and Ella. Carrie married Edwin R. Williams, and has three children: Anna, Albert S., and Nellie. Hattie died at the age of thirteen years. Nellie died

at the age of four years, and Ella resides at home with her parents. Mr. Sisson's father, Isaac, was born in 1775, and was an attorney. He married Ruth Devol of his native place. They came to Cayuga county in 1806. They had ten children: Patience, Eliza, Hannah, George, Eunice, Isaac, Joseph, Edward, Clinton, and Caroline. He was appointed judge by Gov. Bouck in 1843, and served in that office until it was made elective, about 1846. He was offered the nomination of first judge of the county, but declined. He died May 13, 1862, and his wife July 11, 1843. Mr. Sisson has been village trustee one year. He is a member of Trumansburgh Lodge No. 157 F. & A. M., and Fidelity Chapter No. 77, R. A. M. The ancestry of this family is English and French.

Smith, Henry, of Lansing, was born in Hoglanburg, N. Y., March 10, 1834. His father died when our subject was six years of age, and with his mother and stepfather he moved to Canada. When eight years old he went to live with James Doran, and there remained until he was twenty, when he went to Rochester and engaged on a farm for six months, then on the N. Y. C. Railroad for six months, and then operated a pressed brick machine. He then went to Brighton and tended locks on the canal; thence to Penfield, and there engaged in the nursery, which he followed five years. Later he purchased fifty acres near Aurora and engaged in farming for a time. Then he came to Genoa and purchased another farm, where he lived for some five years. In 1869 he removed to Lansing and bought the farm of one hundred and forty acres, where he now lives. He married in November, 1859, Elsie, daughter of Deacon Hanford and Elsie Smith. She died in 1879. He afterward married Hannah W. Field, of Auburn. They have had four children: Amelia Pearl, Henry F., Julius La Motte, and Elsie May. Mr. Smith is a Granger and a Republican. The farm he now owns was purchased by Samuel Smith, the great-grandfather of Mr. Smith's present wife, in 1803.

Scribner, Eliphalet E., was born in Fulton, Oswego county, April 1, 1862. His parents were James A. and Helen Scribner. His paternal ancestor was the oldest son of John Scribner, who was a cousin of Charles Scribner, the founder of the publishing house of that name. His maternal ancestor was the daughter of Isaac R. and Eliza Parkhurst. His grandfather Parkhurst was a descendant of the family of that name in England. His father was the youngest son of Baron Parkhurst, of Scotch descent. His father lost his life in the defense of his country at Falmouth, Va., in the late war, and his mother died a few weeks later, leaving his sister and himself orphans at an early age. He and his sister were placed under the guardianship of their maternal grandparents. He received his education in the public schools of Oswego, and was graduated from the Normal school in June, 1882, the next year entering Cornell University, which he was, however, compelled to leave ere he finished his course, owing to a severe attack of malarial fever. While in the college he was actively engaged in athletics, and was a prominent member of the Zeta Psi fraternity. He is a member of Trumansburgh Lodge No. 157 F. & A. M., and of Fidelity Chapter No. 77, R. A. M., also of St. Augustine Commandery No. 38 K. T. August 2, 1887, he married Eloise R. Hedden, of Heddens, Tompkins Co., N. Y., who was educated at Wells College, and is the daughter of Wright A. and Loesa Hedden, and a granddaughter of Reuben Harvey and Mary Wager, one of the oldest families in this part of the county. Professor Scribner began teaching in

a district school at the age of sixteen, and has been principal and superintendent during the past seven years, having during that time served as principal of the Union school at Alexandria Bay, Jefferson county, N. Y., Parish Academy, and in Trumansburgh for the past three years, where his success has been very flattering.

Brotherton, George, was born in Sherman, Fairfield county, Conn., September 21, 1826, was educated in the public schools, and in early life was a boot and shoemaker. In 1855 he turned his attention to farming, which he has since followed, having a portable engine for saw-mill work. The family came to reside in this county in 1850, and February 24 of that year he married Annah M. Griffin, formerly of Roxbury, Delaware county, by whom he had three sons, William C., Frank L., and Charles H. William C. married first Frances L. Smith, of this town, and second Susie M. King, also of this town. They have one daughter, Mora M. Frank L. was also twice married, first to Mary Beeman, by whom he had two children, Eugenie and Laura. His second wife was Mary Medes of Cortland, by whom he has two daughters, Beulah and Flossie. Charles H. married Mary Hines of the town of Danby, and they have four sons and a daughter: Frank, Ray, Ralph C., Merritt, and Alice H. Mr. Brotherton's father, Zalmon, was born in Southport, Conn., about 1793 and was twice married, first to a Miss Pepper, by whom he had four children, and second to Rebecca Joyce, of his native place, by whom he had nine children: George, as above noted, David, Mary, Edwin, James, Flora, Betsey, Cordelia and Pamela (twins). Mrs. Brotherton's father, H. B. Griffin, was born in Westchester county about 1802, and married Rachael Jenkins, of Roxbury, Delaware county, by whom he had ten children: William, Lewis, Mary, John, Annah M., Jacob, Leonard C., Truman, Phoebe A., and W. Munson. Mr. Griffin died in 1858 and his wife about 1877. Mrs. Brotherton's grandfather, Benjamin Griffin, was a soldier in the Revolution. The ancestry of the family is English and French.

Baldwin, Asa, one of the pioneers of Groton, was a native of Connecticut. His father's family consisted of four sons and two daughters, the former being: Daniel, William, Cyrus and Heman. The latter married Lucinda Brown, and had eight children: Helen, Benjamin, Carlos, Newton, Chauncey, Charles, William and Mary. Heman died in April, 1845, his widow surviving him. He was a successful farmer, leaving a good property, was a Republican, and a man of influence in the town. Newton was born August 5, 1842, and was reared on the farm. In 1861 he enlisted in Co. C, 76th N. Y. Vols., veteranized, and served three years and eleven months. At South Mountain he was wounded in the eye; was captured at the Wilderness, and confined for ten months and eleven days in the prison pens of Andersonville, Danville, Salisbury, Charleston and Florence. He was finally paroled and exchanged, and rejoined his regiment, the 147th New York, he having been transferred to that command during his imprisonment. Returning at length to Groton, Mr. Baldwin became a carpenter and farmer, and has ever since been a resident of the town. In 1886 he was elected justice of the peace and re-elected in 1887 and 1891. In 1886 he was appointed postmaster at McLean, which office he held till the latter part of 1893. He was also constable of the town eight or nine years. In 1884 he married Mary, daughter of Vincent Hanchett, and they have two children.

Benedict, Thomas, was a pioneer of Homer, as he was also of Groton, where he built a carding and saw mill, and later he settled at McLean, where he died. Of his

children, but one, John, was a lifelong resident of this town. His children were: Albert D., Emiline, wife of Henry Boynton; Esther, and David. John was a farmer, lumberman and speculator, at which he accumulated property. Albert D., son of John, married first Betsey Hart, and by her had children as follows: John D., Esther and Julia. By his second wife, Anna Foot, he had no children. He was also a farmer and lumberman, and died April 14, 1890. John D. Benedict was born November 26, 1836, and has devoted his life to farming and lumbering. At the age of sixteen he went to Wisconsin with the determination to remain, but at the urgent request of his mother he returned to Groton, where he has since lived. In 1859 he married Frances Elizabeth Beach, by whom he had four children. She died in 1873, and he married second Betsey Brown. Mr. Benedict lives a quiet life in McLean, but is a man of influence in the locality. He is a Democrat, but not a politician.

Bogart, David P., was born in Danby, March 12, 1831, and was educated in the common schools, to which he has added by close reading and observation. After leaving school he took up carpentry, which he followed for some time, then purchased the property known as the Cristy farm in 1860, on which he erected a fine residence. At the age of twenty-eight our subject married Mary C. Teachout, by whom he has one son, George C. Mr. Bogart is a Democrat in politics, but has never aspired to political honors. He is the owner of 100 acres of fine farming lands, and gives his sole attention to home interests.

Boyer, Herman E., of Newfield, was born December 23, 1848, a son of Isaac, who was a native of Newfield also, born in 1800, and was one of the influential men in the early settlement of the county. He followed agriculture always, and married Catharine Austin, of Newfield, and of their eight children our subject was the youngest. He has followed his father's occupation, and owns 260 acres of land in Newfield. He is Democratic in his political views, but has never taken an active part in politics.

Brown, Alvah D., was born in Newfield, May 7, 1849. Alvah, sr., was a native of Scranton, Pa., and came to Lansing in 1806, and to Newfield in 1808, when a child. His father, Abraham, was a hotel keeper. Alvah, sr., bought a farm of 300 acres of land, and made a specialty of the raising of cattle. February 26, 1832, he married Lydia Clark, and they were the parents of seven children. Of these Alvah was the youngest, being now forty-four years of age. The latter has followed lumbering and farming, and now owns a place of 100 acres, as well as other places, and follows mixed farming. In 1870 he married Elizabeth Smith, by whom he has one child. He married second, in 1885 Luella Smith of this State, and they also have one child. Our subject is a member of the Grange, and has been justice of the peace, assessor, and notary public.

Babcock, George W., was born in Owego, Tioga county, April 1, 1829, a son of Samuel, who came from the vicinity of Lake George about 1815. He had six children who reached adult age, of whom our subject was the second. The latter was educated in the public schools, and at the age of seventeen was apprenticed to a carriage-maker, which trade he learned and carried on business for himself for a year before reaching his majority. He followed his trade till March 12, 1852, when he entered the employ of the Erie Railroad Company as car builder, locating at Elmira. He remained with the company for twenty-two years, occupying positions of responsi-

bility. August 4, 1875, he engaged with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company to take charge of their shops for car building, wrecking, etc. Fifty men are employed in the shops under Mr. Babcock, and forty-four are on the road. In all his experience in railroading he has never had an accident to one of his men. He is a Republican and was the first alderman from the First Ward when Ithaca was made a city, serving two years. He was also alderman in Owego three terms. He is a Mason of De Maly Commandery of Hornellsville. In 1848 Mr. Babcock married Angeline Searles, of Owego, by whom he has one son and one daughter.

Bush, Nelson, of Newfield, was born in Orange county, August 20, 1826. His life has been spent on the farm, with which business he is familiar in all its branches, having followed it from early boyhood. His father dying when our subject was quite young, the responsibility was largely thrown on his young shoulders. Mr. Bush has been twice married, his children being, by his first wife, William Elliot, and by his second wife, Charles W., Minnie, and Nelson, jr. All reside at home. Mr. Bush is a member of the Masonic fraternity, King Hiram Lodge No. 784, and also a Granger. In politics he is a Republican.

Burton, Orrin W., was born in the town of Dryden, June 5, 1839. His father, Acus Burton, was born in Madison county, and came to Tompkins county in 1830 and settled on lot 55 and spent his life of eighty-eight years in the town. Orrin W. Burton was educated in the common school to which he added through life by reading and close observation. In 1861 he enlisted in Co. F, 76th N. Y. Volunteers, and was at the battles of Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, South Mountain, Antietam, the Wilderness, Second Bull Run, Gaines' Mill, and a large number of smaller engagements. At South Mountain he received a slight wound in the hip but continued in active service. At the battle of the Wilderness he was taken prisoner and sent to Andersonville, being confined there for ten months. On being released his actual weight was ninety pounds. He received an honorable discharge, March 9, 1865. At the age of twenty-six he married Almira C. Stearnes, daughter of Chas. Stearnes, of Dryden, and they have two children, Orrin N. and Chas A. In 1868 he bought part of the Willey property, in 1881 he bought the Thos. Mineah farm, having eighty-four acres, and raising hay, grain and stock. Our subject is a well known man in his town, respected for his sterling worth and integrity.

Bower, Jacob, was born in the town of Newfield October 23, 1815, a son of Jacob, a native of Pennsylvania, who always followed farming and working at his trade of making pails. He finally came to Newfield where he lived to be eighty years of age. His wife was Sophia Harris, of Pennsylvania, and they were the parents of eleven children, Jacob being the tenth. The latter married Sallie J. Hoffman, of Cayuga county first, and his second wife was the Widow Drake. Mr. Bower has had eight children, but five of whom are living. He is a farmer and a Democrat.

Bruce, Mathias D., was born in the town of Hecior, April 29, 1816. He was educated in the district schools, and after leaving school he began farming. At the age of twenty-nine he married Martha Van Vlack, daughter of Jacob Van Vlack, of Enfield, by whom he has had four children. In 1847 he moved to the town of Danby and bought the farm known as the Moses Barpo farm of fifty-six acres, to which he afterwards added about 100 acres. He is a Republican in politics, having been asses-

sor for some years. He takes an intelligent interest in educational and religious matters. Our subject is a leading man of the town, being connected with all the local enterprises of the locality. He has served as director in the Danby Mutual Fire Insurance Co. for thirty-three years, and is known as a practical and successful farmer.

Ashton, James, was a native of White Creek, Washington county, and became a farmer and resident of Groton in 1830, locating south of the village. Here he lived twenty years, then moved to the excellent farm now occupied by his son, George W. Ashton. The wife of James was Susan Raymond, and both are remembered as highly respected residents of the town. The wife died in 1872 and James November 8, 1888, being then more than ninety years old. Their children were: George, who now owns the old homestead; Elizabeth Jane, who died in infancy; Mary R. who married Allen Hakes; Thomas K., a member of Co. K, 10th Cavalry, enlisted in 1862, captured and confined in Libby and Andersonville prisons, dying in the latter; Jenny, who married Nelson Halliday, and after his death, Charles T. Gray, and is now living in Groton; Harrison, of Auburn; Emily L., who married A. J. Baldwin; and Joseph J., who died in Virginia. Nelson Halliday and Jenny Ashton were married January 8, 1863. Their children were: Everett N., Mary Frances, and Grace Townsend, the latter being a child by adoption. Mr. Halliday died in 1870, and in 1876 his widow married Charles T. Gray.

Almy, Erastus C., was born in Enfield, May 6, 1855, was educated in the public schools and the Ithaca Academy, and has had a variety of occupations. He has been a school teacher, a traveling salesman, a farmer, postmaster at Jacksonville for the past four years, and has also conducted a general store for five years. January 23, 1889, he married Carrie Farrington, of this town. Mr. Almy's father, Bradford L., was born in Ithaca, October 25, 1819, and was a mechanic and farmer by occupation. He married first Mariette Cronk, of Ulysses, by whom he had five children: Bradford, William M., Eliza A., Henry C. and Erastus C. Mrs. Almy died April 9, 1864, and he married second Elizabeth Dunham, of Enfield, by whom he had one daughter, Cora M. Mr. Almy died January 12, 1892, and his wife survives him.

Albright, J. B. of Newfield, was born in New Jersey September 2, 1815. Jacob, his father, also of New Jersey, was born in 1785, and settled in Tioga county in 1827, taking up farming, which he followed up to near his death, in 1882, at the age of ninety-six years. He married Abigail Baird, of New Jersey; they had ten children. Of these our subject was the second. He followed farming and working at the lumber business for ten years, but has been a cripple and unable to do manual work for the past fifteen years, and for nine years has not been able to stand. In 1845 he married Mary A. Gibbs, of this county, and they have had two children, twins, Augustus, who died aged eighteen months, and Augustine, the latter dying at forty years of age, leaving three orphan children, the youngest being eleven years and the oldest eighteen, all living with their grandparents. In politics he is a Democrat.

Avery, Oliver, the pioneer of the large and respected family of that name in Groton, was born at Charlmont, Mass., May 3, 1797, and came to this locality at the age of twenty-three. He worked at his trade of cabinetmaker and carpenter at various places, in this region, and finally located at Groton, owning the first cabinet shop in

the village. April 3, 1825, he married Hannah, daughter of Nehemiah Webb, and their children were: Frederick A., born January 7, 1826; Abigail B., born December 7, 1827; Albert, born November 18, 1829; died May 3, 1831; Marcy, born June 1, 1832; Amos, born August 13, 1834; Oliver, born September 26, 1836; Hannah, born September 14, 1838; died January 14, 1839; David, born August 15, 1840, died at Carson City, Nev., March 3, 1889; and Edward M., born February 28, 1849. Most of these sons became like their father, mechanics, and useful citizens of Groton. Oliver and his wife both died in Groton, the former November 13, 1877, and the latter March 22, 1883. Oliver, jr., at the age of fourteen was apprenticed to Lyman and Charles Perrigo, machinists and founders of Groton, and after four years he became a journeyman workman and continued there several years, when he went to Owego and established himself in business. April 25, 1861, he enlisted in Co. H, 3d Regt. N. Y. Vols. and reached the front in time to participate in the battle of Bethel. At the end of his term of enlistment, May 21, 1863, he was mustered out and returned home. He went again to Owego, but a year later returned to Groton and bought an interest in the Perrigo factory, and was connected with it under various proprietorships until the concern was merged in the extensive works of the Bridge Company, since which he been in the pattern department. November 20, 1872, he married Helen M., daughter of Henry Allen, a descendant of one of Groton's pioneer families, and they have had six children, all now living.

Beers, Lucien B., was born September 5, 1836, in the town of Danby and educated in the district schools. At the age of twenty-five he married Belle A. Bennett, daughter of Walker Bennett, of the town of Danby, and they have one son. Mr. Beers is a Republican in politics, and has been assessor for the past eight years. His father, Andrew, who died in 1875 at the age of seventy-years, was one of the earliest settlers in this town. After his death the homestead of 150 acres fell to Lucien B., who resides thereon. The produce of the farm is chiefly hay, grain and stock. Mr. Beers is a practical and successful farmer.

Wood, Charles E., was born in Groton, October 17, 1854, a son of Frank Wood, also of Groton, who followed shoemaking in that town. He married Julia, daughter of Joseph and Sarah Nickerson, of Ithaca. During his boyhood days Mr. Wood attended the Groton Academy, but at the age of fourteen he began to earn his own living, following farming for a time, then learned the tinner's trade in Ludlowville, living with his employer. This vocation he followed fifteen years, during which time he worked one year in Coldwater, Mich. In 1886 he bought the hardware business which he now conducts, also having in connection a tinshop. Mr. Wood's activity in local government has gained for him a prominent place among his townsmen. He was elected collector for two successive years, and in 1888 was elected town clerk, which position he has occupied five years. In 1889 he was appointed postmaster of Ludlowville, which office he held four and a half years. December 27, 1874, he married Hattie, daughter of S. B. and Hester (Cromwell) Hayes, of Ludlowville, and they have had one child, Florence, born October 17, 1876. He is a member of the order of I. O. O. F. and in politics is a Republican.

Patch, Horace E., was born in the town of Caroline, May 12, 1832. Nathan Patch, his father, was a native of Worcester, Mass., came to this country when quite young, marrying Mercy Perry, who was born in Peru, Berkshire county, Mass. They