

PAUL DREXLER. (Hyatt, Photos.) W. H. TIFFT.

with Leander Fitts at McLean, where he remained seven years, and then accepted a similar position with D. B. Marsh & Co. of the same place. On Oct. 3, 1861, he married Julia B. Robinson of Cortlandville, and in April, 1864, they located in Cortland.

Drexler & Tifft opened the barber shop in the Samson building on Groton avenue, on Jan. 15, 1900. It is entirely a new stand and is an exceedingly convenient location for the business, being only two doors off from Main street and directly opposite the Cortland House and the Opera House.

It is one of a few ground floor shops in Cortland, and during the short time it has been opened a large patronage has been acquired by reason of the fact that Messrs. Drexler & Tifft are skilled in their trade, attentive to the demands of their customers and are popular with all classes. From time to time they are making improvements, with the view of making the shop as complete in appointments as any first-class shop in the country. There is no reason why this should not become the leading shop in Cortland, enjoying as the proprietors do the good will and custom of many of the best class of patrons. Henry Paul Drexler was born in Chemnitz, Saxony, Aug. 13, 1871, where he became apprenticed to his father and learned not only the trade of a barber, but to manufacture wigs. In 1891 Paul came to this country and located in Chicago, where he remained until 1894, when he came to Cortland. After being employed by different barbers he bought out the shop in the Beaudry building of Hiram Banks, which he occupied until he formed the present business connection. He was married to Johanna Louisa Sacher of Cortland,

May 23, 1895. William V. Tifft was born in Williamstown, Mass., March 26, 1865, and learned the barber's trade when he was sixteen years old, and worked in the large shops in Troy until 1886, when he opened a shop on Pawling avenue, afterwards carrying on the business for himself until he came to Cortland. In June, 1884, he was married to Josephine Christian. In 1898 he came to Cortland, and was employed in various shops until he started the present business with Mr. Drexler.

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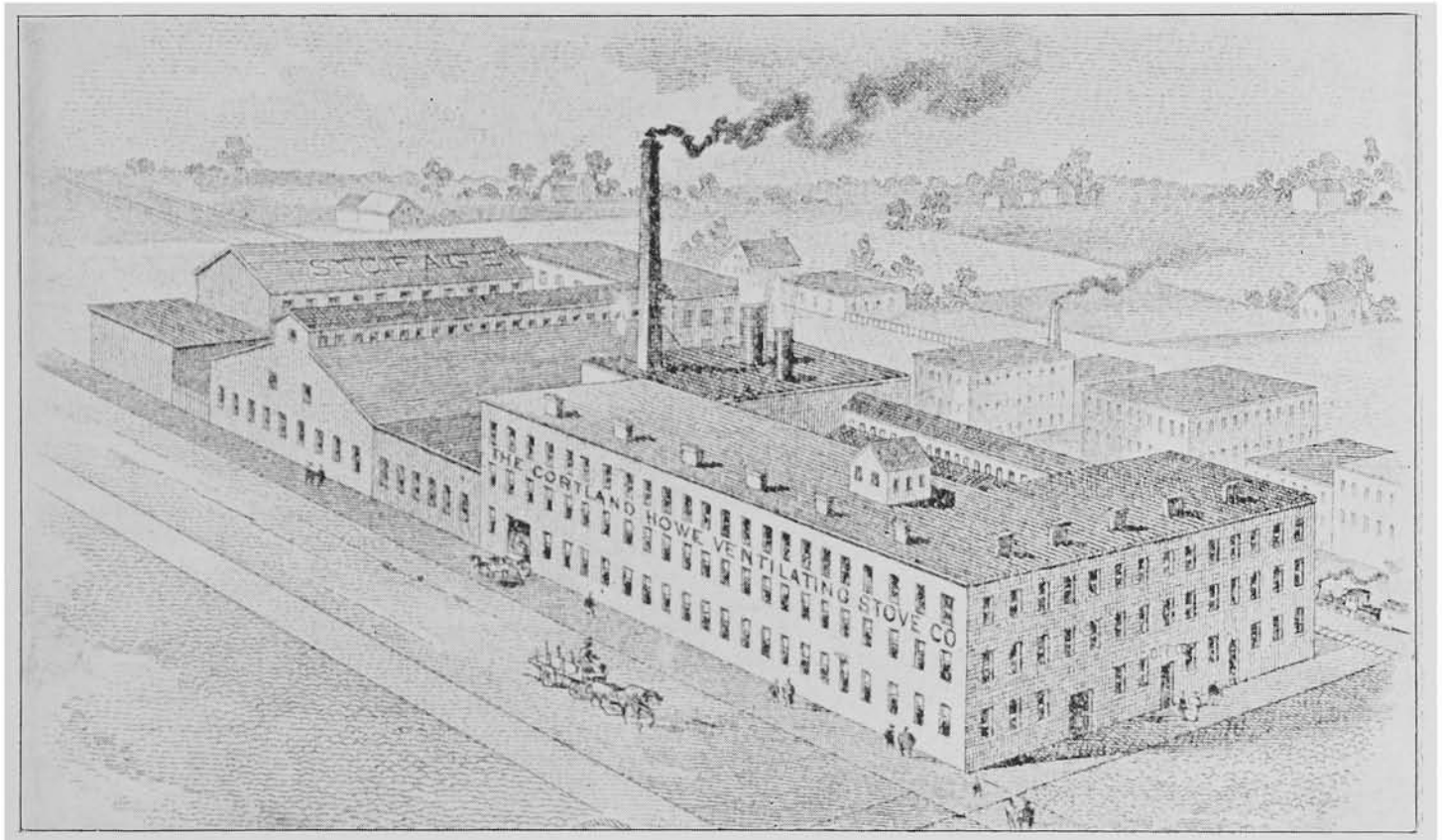
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DREXLER & TIFFT'S BARBER SHOP.

The Cortland Howe Ventilating Stove Co.—

This company was organized in Cortland in the summer of 1887 for the manufacture of stoves and ranges, and especially of the Howe Ventilating stove, which was also at that time being manufactured by a company at Fulton, N. Y. It immediately bought the plant of the Sanford Fork and Tool Co., corner Elm and Franklin streets in the village of Cortland, where its foundry is now located, expecting to start business there, but soon after bought out the Fulton company, and, during the years 1887 and 1888, operated the foundry at that place. In the latter part of 1888, the business was moved to Cortland, where a large addition to the Fork and Tool Co.'s buildings had been erected for use as a foundry. Since that time the operations of the company have been carried on at this place. In 1893 a large storehouse, 65 by 175 feet in size, was built by the company adjoining the Lehigh Valley tracks on Railroad street. The foundry is also located on this railroad, with

ards, professor of mechanical engineering, Yale University, New Haven, Conn., and author of the article on "Warming and Ventilation of Buildings," in Johnson's Cyclopedia; E. A. Fuertes, professor of civil engineering, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.; director of New York State Meteorological bureau, etc.; H. S. Carhart, professor of physics, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.; H. W. Harding, professor of physics, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa.; Leverett Mears, professor of physics, Williams college, Williamstown, Mass.; H. D. Didama, M. D., LL. D., dean of college of medicine, Syracuse university, Syracuse, N. Y., ex-president New York State Medical society and New York State Medical association, etc.; John O. Roe, M. D., ex-president of the American Laryngological association; ex-president New York State Medical society; corresponding member of the Societe Francaise D'Otologie, de Laryngologie et de Rhinologie, member of the British Medical association, of the American Climatological asso-



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THE HOWE VENTILATING STOVE CO.'S WORKS.

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switches running along both foundry and storehouse furnishing facilities for receiving supplies and shipping goods.

The Cortland Howe Ventilator, the specialty in the line of stoves manufactured by this company, has probably as high and wide a reputation as any product of Cortland factories. It is a ventilating stove, which not only warms but purifies the air in the house where it is placed, taking fresh air from outside, warming it and passing it into the house and also removing through the chimney cold and foul air from along the floor. It has been adopted by the United States government, and is in use in forts from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It has received highest awards, medals, and diplomas as follows: International Expositions at Chicago, San Francisco, Atlanta, Nashville, Omaha; Gold Medal, Mechanic's Fair, Boston; Longstreth Medal, Franklin Institute, Philadelphia; besides thirty First-premiums.

Among the distinguished scientific men who have tested it and testified to its merits are the following: Prof. Romya Hitchcock, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.; Charles B. Rich-

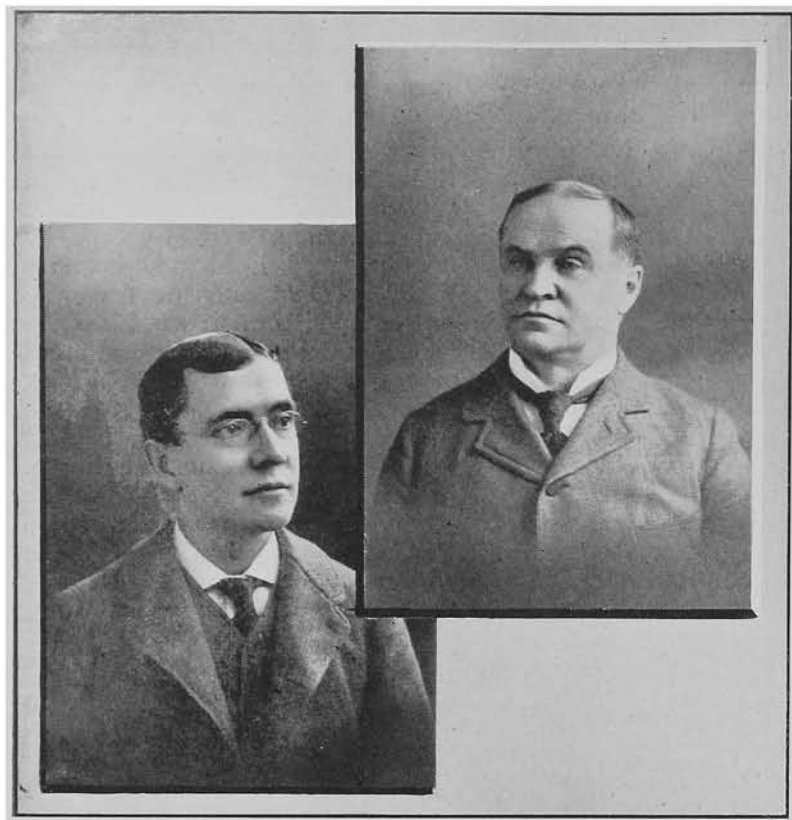
ciation, of the American Medical association, etc.; W. J. Waggener, professor of physics, Colorado State university, Boulder, Colo.; S. T. Moreland, professor of natural philosophy, Washington and Lee university, Lexington, Va.; Benj. J. Sloan, (West Point), professor of physics, South Carolina college, Columbia, S. C.; A. E. Menke, professor of chemistry, Arkansas Industrial university, Fayetteville, Ark.; Col. M. H. Crump, professor of natural science, Ogden college, Bowling Green, Ky.

Besides being the best heating stove and the only really successful ventilating stove on the market, it is also the handsomest from an artistic standpoint.

Its sale increased in 1899 more than fifty per cent over the preceeding year.

This company was the only Cortland company having an exhibit and receiving an award at the Columbian Exposition at Chicago in 1893, and is the only one which will have an exhibit at the Paris Exposition this year.

Besides the Ventilator, the company manufactures a line of ranges which received the highest



Hyatt, Photos. G. F. BEAUDRY.

O. C. SMITH.

awards at the Atlanta and Omaha International Expositions—the only ones where they have been exhibited—and for which it is claimed that they are the best working and most economical ranges on the market. The company also manufactures a variety of cheaper heating stoves for wood and coal, and does quite a business in nickel plating and miscellaneous foundry work, aside from the manufacture of stoves.

Its foundry is located on the trolley line of the Cortland & Homer Traction Co., as well as on the Lehigh Valley railroad, making it easy of access from all parts of the villages.

The present manager of the company is William H. Clark, with Levi Butler as superintendent.

Smith & Beaudry formed a co-partnership in 1897, and succeeded to a part of the business that had been established by G. F. Beaudry in 1886. The firm at once enlarged upon the lines that had formed a part of Mr. Beaudry's stock in trade, introducing new goods and a greater variety of supplies in one direction and dropping certain classes of merchandise in another. In fact a division in the original lines was made, Smith & Beaudry taking up the book, stationery and wall paper trade, and Mr. Beaudry continuing to carry on in the adjoining store the cigar, tobacco and bicycle lines. Smith & Beaudry's wall paper and stationery business proved a success from the start, and during 1899 it more than doubled that of the previous year, so that in order to make room for the rapidly increasing business the firm was forced to close out its

soda water and confectionery trade. The store in which Smith & Beaudry carry on business is at No. 73 Main street, one of the two stores on the ground floor of the Beaudry block. The stock of this firm comprises all lines of publications, including standard works, novels, periodicals and newspapers, school and office supplies, everything in stationery, text books, blank books, cameras and amateur photographers' supplies, art goods and pictures, picture frames and picture and room mouldings. It is a large store, 25 x 100 feet. In the rear is the wall paper department, the firm making a special feature of this line by having the exclusive local agency of the products of the Wallace Wall Paper Co. O. C. Smith was born in Otisco, Onondaga county, N. Y., Aug. 12, 1846. Coming to Cortland in the fall of 1863, he obtained a clerkship in the drug store of Dr. T. C. Pomeroy, which he held until the fall of 1864, when he enlisted in the 185th regiment. When that regiment returned home, in June, 1865, he was transferred to the Duryea Zouaves, being mustered out of service the following August. After his return home he was with Dr. Pomeroy a year, afterwards with Niver & Crane at McLean two years, and then with Wallace & Mahan, continuing with the latter, and subsequently with D. F. Wal-

lace, until in 1890 he was admitted to the business as one of three partners, D. F. Wallace and W. G. McKinney being his partners. Subsequently he traveled for Janeway & Carpenter of New Brunswick, N. J., and in July, 1899, he became a traveling representative of the Wallace Wall Paper Co. of Cortland, in which he has a partnership interest. He was married to Maria C. Per Lee of McLean in 1870. G. F. Beaudry was born in Hague, Warren county, Sept. 5, 1861. When he was at an early age his parents moved to Cortland, where he was educated in the public and the Normal schools. In 1879 he started a small business in news, tobacco and fruit, where James Kelley is now doing business, and four years later moved to



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SMITH & BEAUDRY'S STORE.

larger quarters in an adjacent store. In 1885 he bought the site of the Beaudry block and erected a handsome brick and stone structure, three stories high and 27 x 100 feet in area. In the spring of 1886 he moved into the building and enlarged the business. In 1892 he added safety bicycles, and to-day is a large dealer in that line. In March, 1883, he wedded Harriet Jones of Baldwinsville. They have five children—Harriet, 1½ years old; Fred, 9 years; Leon, 7; Ida, 11; and May, 14. The two boys and Ida and May are expert riders on the wheel, Fred and Leon having made a national reputation as fancy and trick riders.



Hyatt, Photo. INTERIOR OF SMITH & BEAUDRY'S STORE.

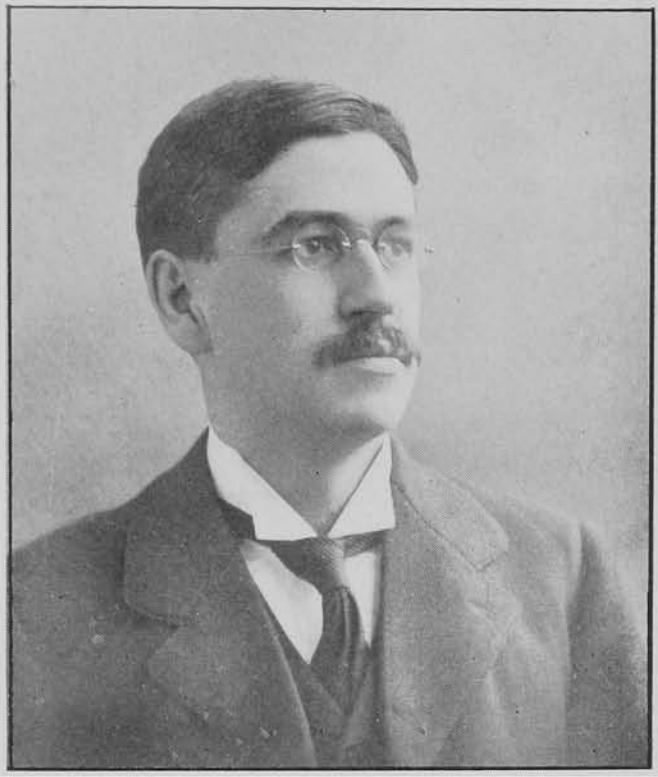
A. D. Wallace, one of the best known landlords in the county, succeeded Burns Linderman as part owner of the Brunswick in 1889, the hotel having for ten years previous to that time been conducted by Linderman & Wallace, the latter, W. A. Wallace, being a brother of the present proprietor. Wallace Bros. were proprietors of the hotel from 1889 to 1893, when W. A. Wallace retired. Since then A. D. Wallace alone has run the hotel, and he has demonstrated that he under-

stands fully how to cater to the wants of the public in a manner that is satisfactory to all classes. As a caterer he has brought the Brunswick into vogue for supper parties, luncheons and game dinners. The accompanying engraving of the hotel does not do full justice to the accommodations that this house affords. Upon entering, one is surprised at the amount of room provided for hotel and especially dining purposes. The main entrance opens into the public room and office with



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THE BRUNSWICK HOTEL—A. D. WALLACE, PROPRIETOR.



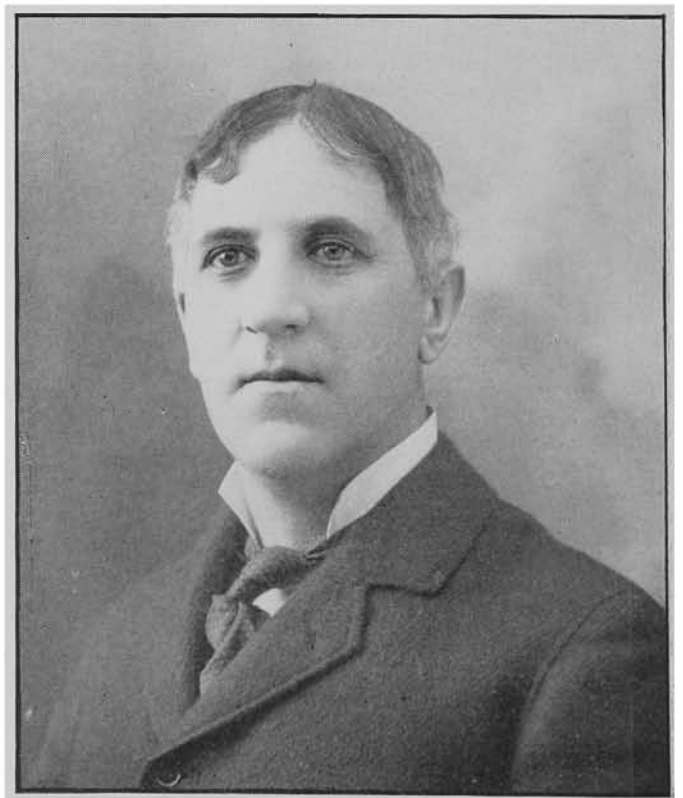
Hyatt, Photo. NATHAN L. MILLER.

bar in the rear. The cafe has a separate entrance and is connected in the rear with a hall opening into the private dining rooms. The hotel dining room and ladies' parlors are on the second floor, all very comfortably furnished and under the direct personal charge of Mrs. Wallace, who possesses equal tact and skill with her husband in providing culinary service for the guests of the house. In every respect the interior arrangements are fully in keeping with the needs of a first-class hotel. Mr. Wallace is prominent in the Masonic order, being a Knights Templar and a member of Central City Ancient Accepted Scottish rite, 32nd degree. Among the fraternity of Elks he is widely known, being a member of Syracuse lodge, No. 31. In local politics he is an aggressive and earnest partisan along party lines without the induction of offensive personalities and in the matter of public advancement entertains broad guaged views. Mr. Wallace was born in Auburn and came to Cortland in 1872, being employed in a machine and cooperage shop here five years. From 1877 to 1881 he was employed by the Cortland Wagon Co., with the exception of one year, when he was in South America promoting railroad interests. In 1881 he went to Auburn where for four years he was employed by the E. D. Clapp Wagon Co. of that city. On Feb. 14, 1882, he was married to Emma Hodson of Cortland. From Auburn he went to Springville where for two years he was employed by the O'Neill Wagon Co. He was afterwards foreman of the wood department of the Watertown Spring Wagon Works. Mr. Wallace was president of the Cortland Athletic association during 1897-'99 inclusive, and is one of the strongest of Cortland's supporters of athletic sports.

Courteous Public Officers.—A great deal of valuable information contained in this Souvenir was obtained through the kindness of County Clerk Hubert T. Bushnell and his deputy, Stephen K. Jones, and the village clerk, F. H. Hatch, who placed at "Grip's" disposal the records of their offices and personally aided him in looking up statistics.

Dougherty & Miller, who are among the best known of the younger members of the Cortland County bar, formed the co-partnership in 1894 and opened a suite of offices in the Second National bank building where they have since been located. Both gentlemen are prominent in the local political field, Mr. Miller being chairman of the Republican committee and Mr. Dougherty one of the principal counselors in the Democratic party. Mr. James Dougherty was born in Solon, Cortland county, April 28, 1859, and was educated at the Cortland Normal school and Cazenovia seminary. He entered upon the study of law with Hiram Crandall in Cortland in 1879. At the time he was admitted to the bar, which was at Ithaca, May 5, 1883, he was studying in the office of Bouton & Champlin, Cortland. He began practice in Cortland and at the time he formed the present business connection had secured a profitable business. From 1881 to 1887 he represented Solon on the board of supervisors. He was also for three years clerk of the board. He is one of the founders of the local branch of the Knights of Columbus. Nathan L. Miller was born in Solon, Oct. 10, 1868, and was educated at the Normal school where he was graduated. In 1890 he entered the office of Smith & Dickinson where he studied law until 1893 when he was admitted to practice at the spring examination in Syracuse. In the fall of that year he was elected school commissioner for the first district of Cortland county and held the office for six years. In the fall of 1898 he was chosen chairman of the Republican county committee. On Nov. 23, 1896, he was married to Elizabeth Davern of Marathon.

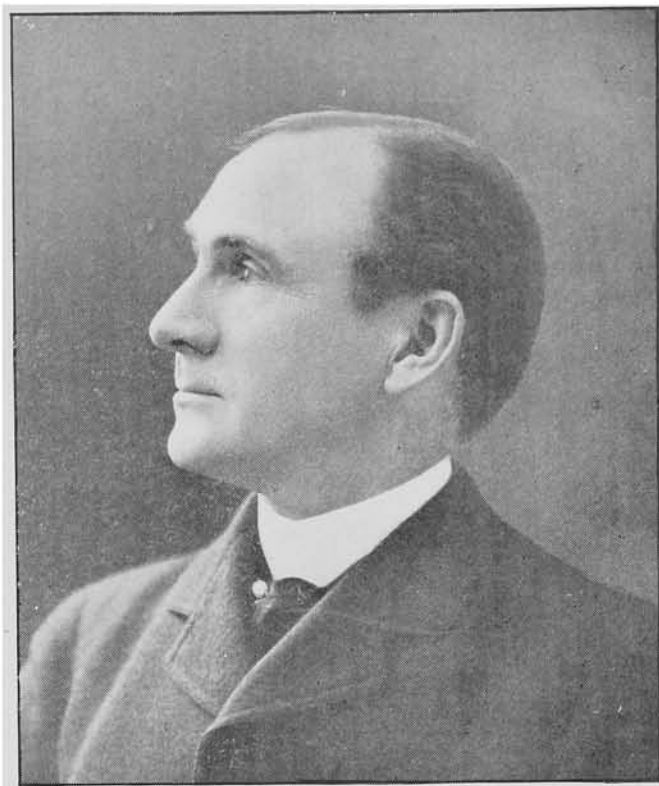
The Canal Board comprises the Comptroller, State Treasurer, Attorney General, State Engineer and Superintendent of Public Works. It has supervisory authority over the canals and is required to pass upon all expenditures.



Hyatt, Photo. JAMES DOUGHERTY.

Horace L. Bronson was born in the town of Virgil, Cortland Co., N. Y., in 1852. He is the senior member of the law firm of Bronson & Davis. He attended the Homer academy and was graduated from the classical course in 1873. He entered the law school at Albany, N. Y., and was graduated from that institution in 1875. Mr. Bronson was elected district attorney of Cortland county in 1885, and was re-elected in 1888. At the expiration of his term of office in 1891 he resumed the general practice of law. In 1897 he formed a partnership with Rowland L. Davis under the firm name of Bronson & Davis, which is known as one of the strongest law firms of our Cortland county bar. Their offices are located at 6, 7 and 8 Burgess block. Mr. Bronson is a Republican in politics and has been several times chairman and secretary of the Republican county committee. He is also largely interested in farming and stock raising, having 400 acres of land upon which he has a large drove of thoroughbred Holstein stock in which he takes great pride. He and his family spend a goodly portion of the summer months at his Little York farm, one of the best equipped of Cortland county's many fine stock farms.

Rowland L. Davis was born at Dryden, Tompkins Co., N. Y., July 10, 1871. He is the son of Major Lucius and Harriet L. Davis. In 1880 they moved to McLean, where Mr. Davis attended school at the academy, and in 1890, he entered the State Normal and Training school at Cortland. In 1892, '93 and '94 he was engaged in the profession of teaching, and in the two latter years was principal of the Chenango Forks academy in Broome county. Subsequently he returned to the Normal, graduating in June, 1896. While in the Normal he was a member of the Young Men's Debating club, now the Delphic Fraternity. The following September, he entered the Cornell College of Law, graduating there in June, 1897, with the degree of LL. B., having completed a two years' course in one year. On July 6, 1897, Mr. Davis was admitted to the bar at Albany, and soon after formed a partnership with Horace L. Bronson of Cortland, for the practice of law, under the firm



HORACE L. BRONSON.

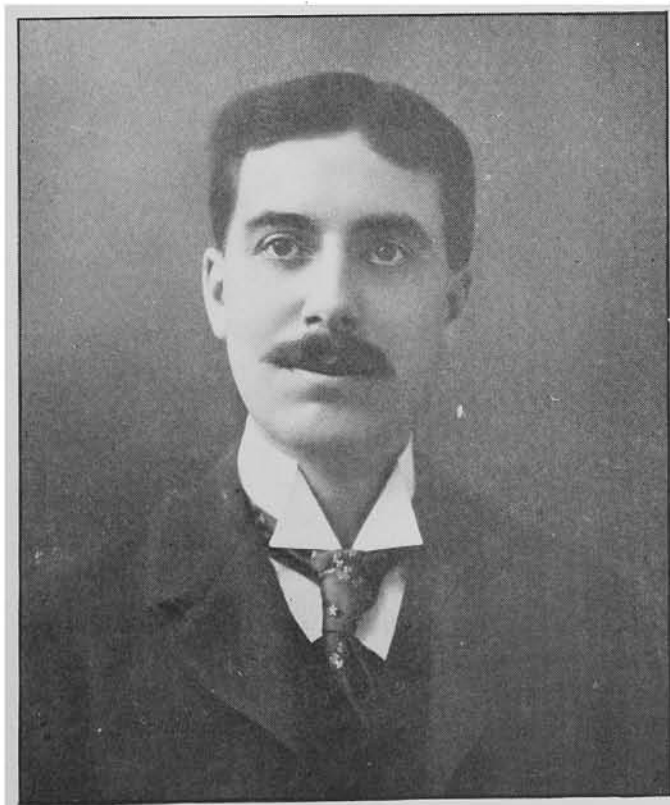
name of Bronson & Davis, a partnership which still exists, their offices being Nos. 6, 7 and 8 Burgess block. In March, 1899, he was elected police justice of Cortland village, on the Republican ticket, by a plurality of one hundred, over Charles V. Coon, Democrat, and Charles S. Bull, Independent Republican. Mr. Davis has taken an active interest in politics, and for the past two years has been secretary of the Republican county committee. Socially, he belongs to McLean lodge, No. 328, Knights of Pythias, Cortland lodge, No. 351, A. O. U. W., Cortlandville lodge, No. 470, F. & A. M.

Taxes and Valuations, Cortland Co., 1899.—

Total assessed acreage, 312,086.27-400; total town tax, \$68,178.26; total county, \$32,607.19; state for schools, \$9,823.26; state for canals, \$5,093.54; state, general, \$16,200.34. The following were assessed valuations:

	Real Estate.	Personal.
Cincinnatus	\$ 292,905	\$ 30,650 00
Cortlandville	6,390,640	767,127 31
Cuyler	389,372	19,350 00
Freetown	273,556	13,815 00
Harford	275,785	20,775 00
Homer	1,741,415	223,315 00
Lapeer	231,233	10,850 00
Marathon	725,150	143,000 00
Preble	422,890	47,050 00
Scott	246,500	25,650 00
Solon	236,385	5,150 00
Taylor	211,845	13,375 00
Truxton	396,015	23,400 00
Virgil	407,577	21,650 00
Willet	249,718	37,970 00
Total	\$12,490,986	\$1,403,127 31

State Board of Equalization.—It is constituted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of State, Comptroller, State Treasurer, Attorney-General, Speaker of the Assembly, State Engineer and State Tax Commissioners. They are charged with the duty of equalizing the state tax among the several counties of the state, and fixing the amount of assessment on real and personal property on which the state tax is levied.



ROWLAND L. DAVIS.



Hyatt, Photo. DELOS BAUDER.

Delos Bauder, who was proprietor of the Cortland House for about twenty-seven years, was born in the town of Oppenheim, Fulton county, Sept. 18, 1835. Until 27 years of age he remained on the farm. In the spring of 1862 he bought a hotel at Brockett's Bridge (now Dolgeville) and it was there that a successful hotel career of thirty-three years began. When in his 23d year, Oct. 14, 1857, he was married to Lucy Clark of Manheim, Herkimer Co., who died Dec. 13, 1892, and during that year he worked for his father for \$112. After that he rented the farm for four years. He conducted the Brockett's Bridge hotel four years, going to Adams, Jefferson Co., in the spring of 1866, where he bought a hotel which he conducted two years. In the summers of '64 and '65 he spent eight months each at sea, mackerel and codfishing, to recuperate his health. While prospecting for another location in which to go into business Mr. Bauder heard from Dan Baker, an old Cortland boy, that John Wheeler, the proprietor of the Cortland House, desired to sell out. Mr. Bauder reached Cortland that night a perfect stranger, with the money in his pocket. The next day he bought the hotel and returned for his family, coming back to Cortland about the middle of April and taking possession the 28th of the month. The hotel was run down and Mr. Bauder proceeded at once to put it in order, buying \$2,000 worth of furniture in Syracuse and generally fitting up the house in good shape. In August, 1882, he began repairing the old Cortland House, building new on Groton avenue a brick building four stories high, 45 feet front and 90 feet deep, and containing two stores, which he fur-

nished entirely new. That year he fitted the house throughout with steam, the first hotel in Cortland to have steam heat. This work was all finished in the winter—early in '83. When that work was finished he had then laid out \$19,000 on the house, including besides what has been mentioned, chandeliers, 1,600 yards of carpet, new furniture, etc. That year, Nov. 28, the hotel was burned down entirely, the fire originating in the Barber block. A severe blow it must have been, coming so quickly after all of these expenditures. [For an account of the fire see page 105.] April 1, 1884, Mr. Bauder broke ground for the new hotel—the present Cortland House—and on Jan. 28, 1885, the place was opened to the public for business. The construction of a hotel of the dimensions, and after the elaborate plans that were involved in this house, was a matter of considerable interest to Cortland people as a house of that imposing character was in those days regarded as a wonder for a place the size of Cortland. In November, 1889, Lyman P. Rogers took possession of the hotel on a lease of ten years, but a year and ten months later he died and Mr. Bauder again took charge, conducting the hotel down to June 1, 1895, when Mr. Dorr C. Smith, the present landlord, assumed proprietorship of the business and Mr. Bauder retired from active business life. In the spring of 1890 Mr. Bauder bought the property where he now resides, No. 32 Lincoln avenue, and fitted it over in first-class style. Mr. Bauder is a 32nd degree Mason, being a member of the Consistory of Syracuse and of the Yiyara Mystic Shrine of Utica. On April 15, 1896, he was married to Mrs. Mary E. Wood of Greene, N. Y.

The State Senate, by an amendment to the Constitution of 1894, was made to consist of fifty members, which is entirely changed by an election every two (the even) years. The districts must consist of contiguous territory, and no county can be divided except when it is entitled to more than one senator. Under the first constitution the senate consisted of twenty-four members, apportioned among four districts, who were by lot divided into four classes, so that the terms of six should expire each year. The census of 1793, by authority of a constitutional provision, enlarged the senate to forty-three. In 1801 the number was reduced to 32, which prevailed until the Constitution of 1894 was adopted. [See List of Senators, 1900, on page 208.]



Borrowed Photo. RUINS OF CORTLAND HOUSE. [See sk., "Big Fire '83," P. 105.]

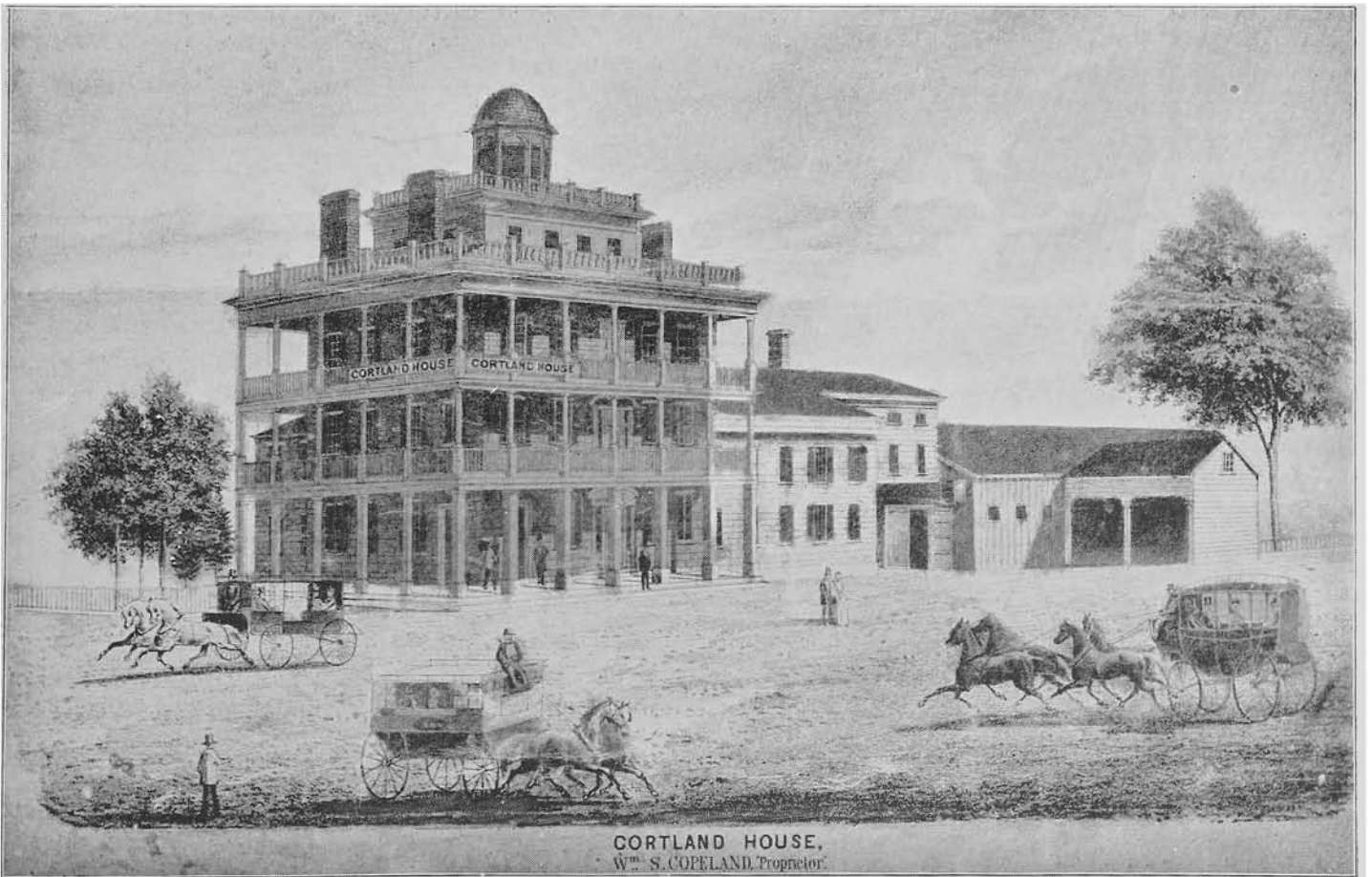
The Agricultural Society was first formed at a meeting held at Hopkins' Hotel, March 30, 1818. On Oct. 1, 1838, at a meeting held in the court house to reorganize the society, John Miller was chosen president, Joseph Reynolds and Peter Walrad, vice-presidents, Rufus Boies, treasurer, and Paris Barber, secretary. The first fair was held at the Eagle Tavern, and afterwards for a time at that place or at the court house. Finally grounds were secured in Homer, which were used until 1857, when the present grounds between the two villages were obtained, and the fairs have been held there ever since. The enclosed grounds comprise 25 acres, and the buildings are built in a modern and substantial manner. A splendid half-mile track is the scene of many interesting trials of speed at the annual fairs. The grand stand was erected at an expense of \$4,500. There are large buildings for the display of exhibits and good stabling accommodations. The annual fairs are very popular and largely attended. Twenty thousand people are said to have attended in 1899. F. H. Sears of Cortland is president, Geo. P. Squires of Marathon, vice-president, W. J. Greenman of Cortland, secretary, and C. F. Brown of Cortland, treasurer.

First Settlers in Several Towns.—Homer,



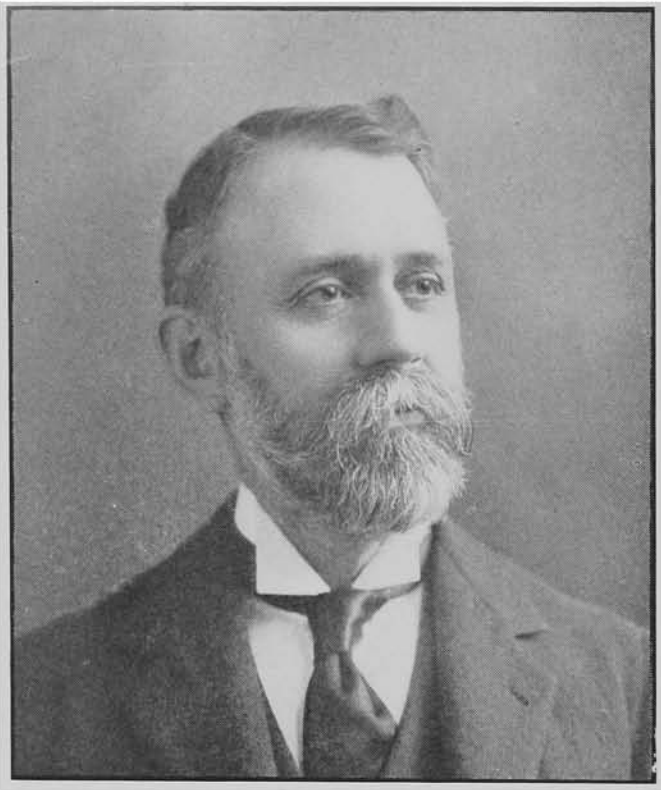
D. F. WALLACE'S RESIDENCE.

Amos Todd and Joseph Beebe, 1791; Cortlandville, John Miller, 1792; Virgil, Joseph Chaplin, 1792; Marathon, Dr. Japheth Hunt, 1794; Cincinnatus, Thaddeus Rockwell, 1793; Truxton, Samuel C. Benedict, 1793; Cuyler, Nathaniel Potter, Christopher Whitney, David Morse, Benj. Brown, 1794; Preble, James Cravath, John Gill, 1796; Scott, Pelleg Babcock, Samuel and Asa Howard, 1799; Solon, Roderick Beebe, Johnson Bingham, 1794; Freetown, Cyrus Sanders, 1795; Taylor, Ezra Rockwell, 1793; Willet, Ebenezer Crittenden, 1797; Harford, Dorastus De Wolf, 1803; Lapeer, Primus Grant, (colored), 1799.



CORTLAND HOUSE,
Wm. S. COPELAND, Proprietor.

THE OLD CORTLAND HOUSE—DELOS BAUDER, PROP'R. "Stand. Ind. Ed."
Erected by Danforth Merrick, 1829—Burned Nov. 28, 1883. [See "Big Fire of '83," P. 105.]



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The Cortland Standard.—The Cortland County STANDARD was established in June, 1867, by Frank G. Kinney. It was a 4-page, 8-column paper, set in long primer, brevier and nonpareil type. The office was at first where the Garrison block now stands, but after a short time was moved to the third story of the Moore block where the Orris Hose rooms now are. The machinery of the office consisted of a Taylor press, turned by hand, for newspaper work, and one small Gordon job press. In May, 1872, Wesley Hooker purchased the paper, and also purchased and combined with it the Cortland Journal, under the name of the Cortland STANDARD and JOURNAL, put in steam power, and a new half medium Gordon job press and a considerable amount of new type and material, and enlarged the paper to 9 columns to the page. April 1, 1876, the paper was purchased by William H. Clark, Mr. Hooker retiring on account of ill health. The name of the paper was soon after changed to the CORTLAND STANDARD, the word "Journal" being dropped. Jan. 1, 1879, the office was moved to the Mahan building on Courtstreet, where the first cylinder job press was put in. March 1, 1883, the office was again moved to its present quarters in the Standard building. Sept. 10, 1885, the form of the paper was changed to eight pages, seven columns to the page, its present size. May 10, 1892, the WEEKLY STANDARD changed into the semi-weekly, the two papers each week of the same size with the former weekly being furnished at the same price of \$2.00 a year.

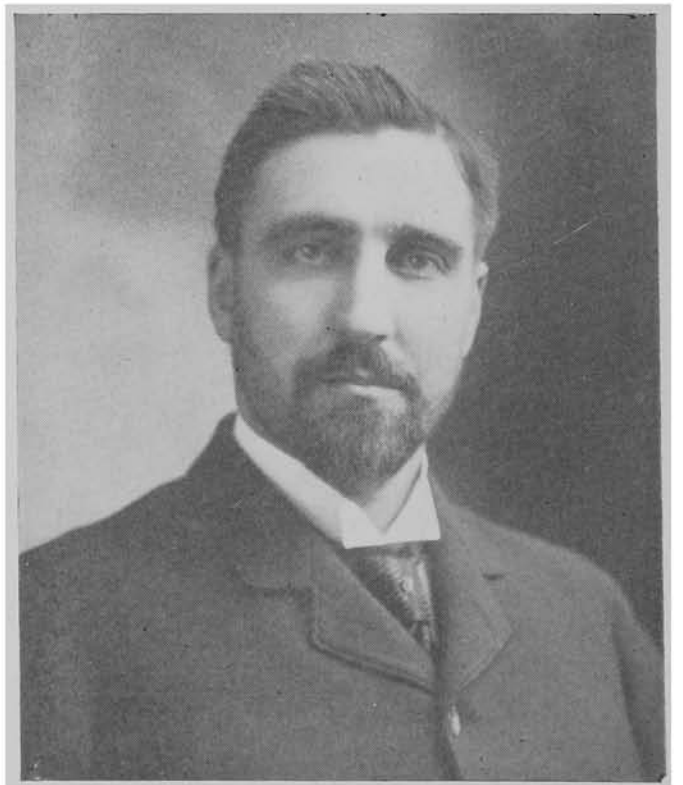
March 8, 1892, the first number of the Daily EVENING STANDARD was issued by the firm of Clark & Blodgett, composed of William H. Clark and Edward D. Blodgett, which continued till the organization of the Cortland Standard Printing Co., Aug. 14, 1893, which is composed of Mr. Clark, president; Mr. Blodgett, secretary and treasurer; and Mr. H. G. Joy, who has been for eighteen years the capable, efficient and popular foreman of the job department. The EVENING STANDARD was issued first as a 4-page, 7-column paper, and was changed May 25, 1892, to its present form of

8 pages, 6 columns to the page. July 12, 1892, the Cortland Daily Journal was purchased and merged into the EVENING STANDARD. In January, 1895, the Cortland County Sentinel, published at McGrawville by F. J. Berggren, was purchased, the office, material, machinery, etc., moved to the STANDARD office and the publication of the paper continued as practically a weekly edition of The STANDARD. It was afterwards enlarged to 8 pages, 56 columns, in which form it continues to be published under the old name.

The STANDARD office, both as a newspaper and jobbing establishment, is now one of the largest and best equipped to be found in any place of the size of Cortland in the United States. It occupies 6,500 square feet of floor space on the basement, first and third floors of the Standard building and gives employment to twenty-seven persons. The daily, semi-weekly and weekly editions of the paper are printed on a Cox Duplex Perfecting press, feeding from a roll and capable of turning out 5,000 complete papers, printed, folded, pasted and trimmed per hour. The combined average circulation of the three editions is now nearly 6,000 copies. This circulation in proportion to the population of the county—which is less than 29,000—is probably the largest enjoyed by any country newspaper in the state of New York, if not in the United States.

In the STANDARD's job department are three cylinder job presses, one of them a large 37 x 52-inch bed, four roller, two revolution, double-inking Huber machine, capable of doing the very finest of book and cut work at a high rate of speed. It is on this press that this Souvenir was printed. There are, besides these presses, four Gordon jobbers and a very full equipment of type, material, etc. A 10-horse power Otto gas engine furnishes the power for the establishment, and both gas and electricity are provided for lighting.

The daily, semi-weekly and weekly editions of The STANDARD speak for themselves as to their character as newspapers. This Souvenir of Cortland, printed entirely in the STANDARD job rooms, shows the kind of work which they are constantly turning out.



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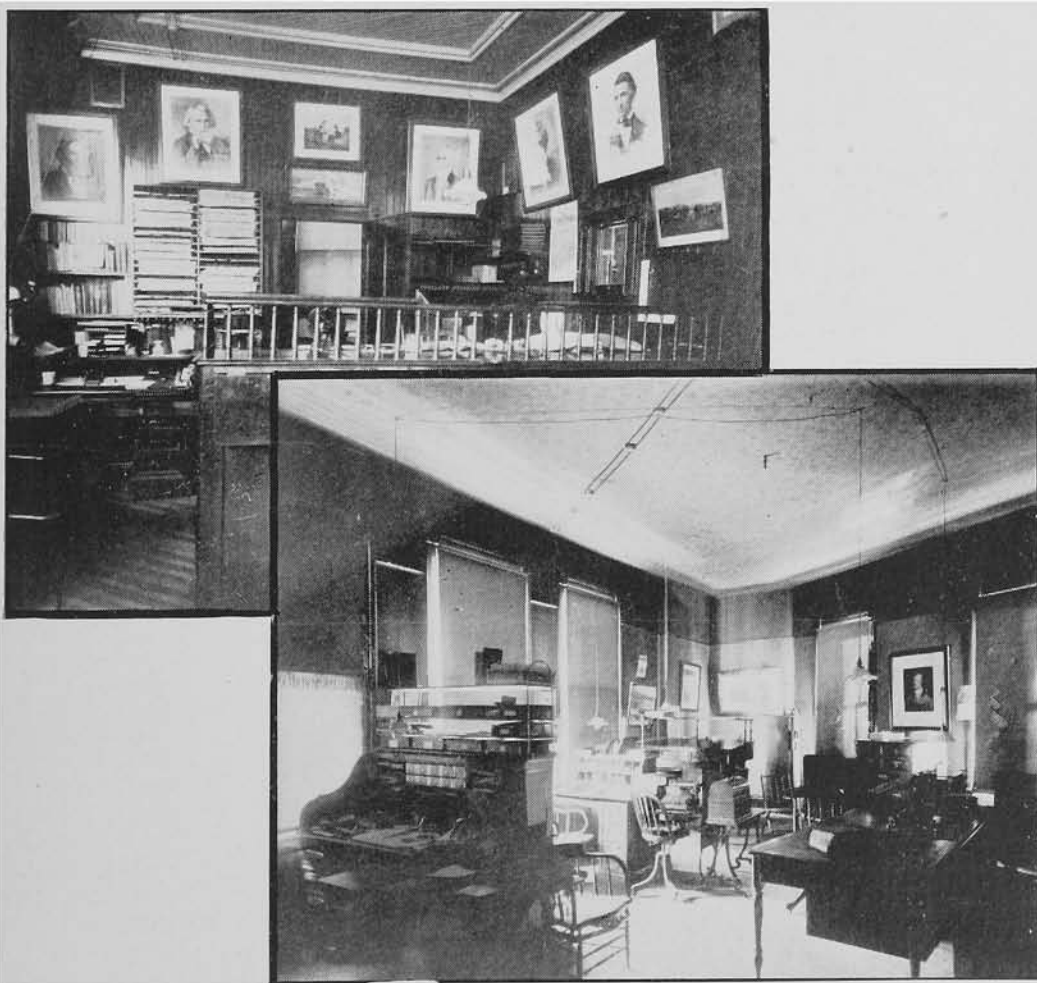
The Ancient Order United Workmen

was organized 31 years ago with a little band of thirteen members. The organization has grown until to-day it counts in round numbers its membership at three hundred and ninety thousand, (390,000), and in that time the homes that have been protected, the millions that have been disbursed, have been raised by the simple and silent contributions made, month by month, by its members; and in all this land, from the rocky shores of Maine to the golden sands of California, from the everglades of Florida to the snows of British Columbia, there is not a member of the Order who will say to-day he is one penny the poorer because of the contributions that he has made to the protection which has been given to widows and orphans. Month by month they have made their contributions, paying day by day, paying simply for entertainment for a night and day, just what it has cost and nothing more. The organization has continued on in its grand career, meeting every emergency and standing to-day (after thirty-one years of existence) as it stood on the day of its birth, the first and foremost organization for the protection of the home that exists in our land. The members of this organization are bound together by solemn obligations



THE STANDARD BUILDING.

tions taken around the altar of the Order, that the promises made one to the other shall be kept and fulfilled. No better security can be given than the pledged honor of an honest man. The jurisdiction of New York is only one of twenty-seven jurisdictions that are working to-day upon a plan that is based not upon sentiment, but upon cold calculation of an accomplished Actuary. Cortland Lodge, No. 351, is one of 440 lodges in the State of New York. This lodge was organized thirteen years ago with a membership of forty-five. Wm. Pearson was its first presiding officer. Of its original forty-five, twenty-five are still remaining, five of whom have passed on over the river, and their families have received the protection promised by the Order. There has come to these homes the sum of \$10,000, which in each instance has been gratefully received. To-day we have 107 members, whose homes are protected by this great Order. The age limits of membership being between 18 and 45, it can readily be seen that the A. O. U. W. is a young men's order, as none other can gain membership therein. The present officers of Cortland Lodge are: P. M. W., Harry Swan; M. W., Jason P. Bump; Foreman, R. L. Davis; Overseer, Fred Bowker; Recorder, C. W. Saunders; Financier, H. H. Pomeroy; Receiver, H. J. Baker; Guide, H. C. Wilcox; J. W., W. W. Williams; O. W., Paul C. Nelson; D. D., W. J. Bunney; Trustees, J. H. Turner, M. E. Sarvav and G. F. Richards. The balance of its membership is composed of professional, mercantile, manufacturers, mechanics, con-



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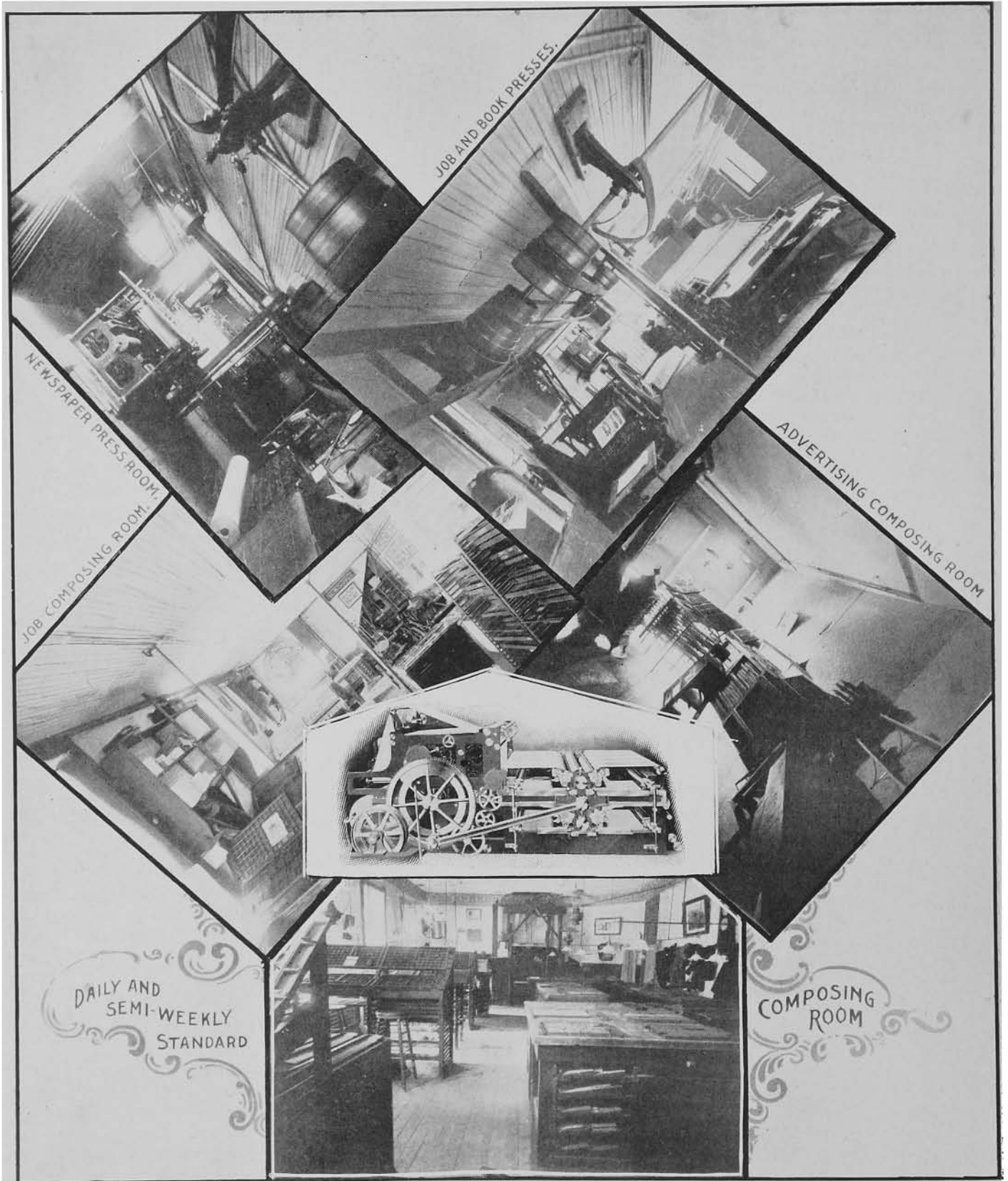
THE STANDARD OFFICES.

Business Office.

Editorial Rooms.

tractors, and in fact all classes—all those who are by a proper medical examiner and an intelligent investigating committee pronounced worthy of admission. Finally, among the many fraternal organizations which exist in this city, there is none more worthy of the respect and consideration of its citizens than the Ancient Order of United Workmen, composed as it is of over one hundred

augus, 61,496; Cayuga, 64,460; Chautauqua, 78,748; Chemung, 48,810; Chenango, 37,616; Clinton, 46,418; Columbia, 44,812; Cortland, 28,289; Delaware, 45,237; Dutchess, 78,140; Erie, 344,703; Essex, 32,847; Franklin, 40,960; Fulton, 38,504; Genesee, 33,491; Greene, 31,666; Hamilton, 4,450; Herkimer, 47,340; Jefferson, 69,897; Kings, 988,077; Lewis, 30,215; Livingston, 36,843; Madison, 41,031; Monroe, 197,-



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VIEWS OF THE STANDARD MECHANICAL DEPARTMENTS.

members, and embracing among its number many of our most influential and respected citizens.

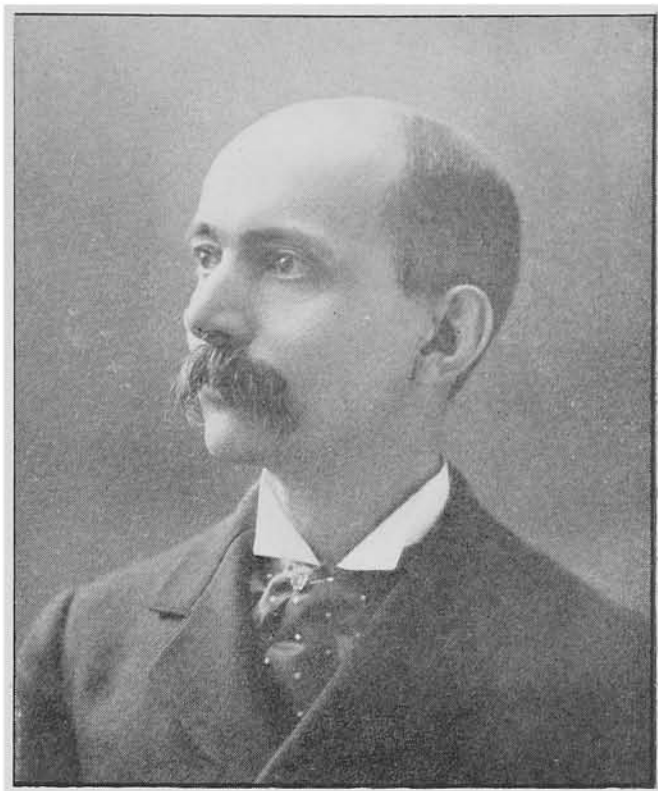
Population of Counties, 1892.—[This was the last official State Census. The Constitution of 1894 provides that an enumeration shall be taken in the months of May and June, 1905, and in the same months every tenth year thereafter]: Albany, 167,526; Allegany, 49,950; Broome, 63,670; Cattar-

053; Montgomery, 46,074; New York, 1,795,840; Niagara, 64,321; Oneida, 123,669; Onondaga, 151,530; Ontario, 48,282; Orange, 95,500; Orleans, 30,778; Oswego, 70,730; Otsego, 50,255; Putnam, 14,165; Queens, 130,007; Rensselaer, 129,257; Richmond, 52,906; Rockland, 33,208; St. Lawrence, 86,663; Saratoga, 56,645; Schenectady, 34,031; Schoharie, 28,769; Schuyler, 16,791; Seneca, 26,363; Steuben, 80,336; Suffolk, 62,990; Sullivan, 30,529;

Tioga, 29,597; Tompkins, 35,055; Ulster, 87,269; Warren, 28,479; Washington, 46,193; Wayne, 49,345; Westchester, 147,830; Wyoming, 30,967; Yates, 20,662.

The Oldest Dental Office in Cortland.—Dr. Levi R. Gleason came to Cortland in about 1850 or '52, and opened the first dental office here, and this office has for the past fifty years stood at the head of the dental profession in this section. In 1860 Dr. F. O. Hyatt purchased the business of Dr. Gleason, and six years after he took Dr. George L. Holden as a partner under the firm name of Hyatt & Holden, which lasted until the death of Dr. Holden, in 1877. The year following Dr. G. H. Smith, who had been a student in this office in 1871 and 1872, came to Cortland and formed a co-partnership with Dr. Hyatt. Ten years later, Dr. Hyatt retiring from business, Dr. Smith became the owner of the office, and has since that time spared no money or time to give his patients the best that can be had in his line. Dr. George H. Smith was born in McGrawville, N. Y., on July 24, 1852. He was married to Mary A. Bouton, Dec. 7, 1880. They have one son, Frank Hyatt Smith, eleven years of age.

The Cortland Conservatory of Music was established in 1896. The enterprise was successful from the start, and a large number of students were registered the first year, not alone from Cortland, but from many of the surrounding towns. Now the institution is solidly established, and is one of the most flourishing schools of music in Central New York. The Conservatory of Music is located at No. 9½ Court street. The founders of the school were: A. E. Darby, B. L. Bentley, as musical di-



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rectors, and A. Mahan, business director. The members of the faculty the first year were: A. E. Darby, teacher of Violin, Theory and Orchestra; B. L. Bentley, Piano, Organ and Clavier; Clara Grace McKinstry, Voice Culture; Marie Gundlach Weeks, Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar; Fred I. Gra-

ham, Band Instruments; Mrs. Grace E. Hubbard, Elocution and Physical Culture; Mary S. Blackmer, German; Anna W. Blackmer, French and Italian; W. R. Luis, Piano Tuning. The second year George Oscar Bowen took charge of the Vocal department, and an Art department was opened, with Miss Erva Roice as principal. Mr. Thomas Nichols took charge of the small instrument department, in place of Miss Gundlach Weeks in 1898, the third year, and Mr. Bowen purchased the interest of A. Mahan in the Conservatory, and has since that time conducted the business affairs, as well as having charge of the Vocal department. The present faculty is: A. E. Darby, Mus. B., Syracuse University, 1896, Violin, Theory, Orchestra, Ensemble; B. L. Bentley, Mus. B., Syracuse University, 1897, Piano, Organ, Theory, Clavier; George Oscar Bowen, Voice, Chorus, Solfeggio; George C. Murphy, Banjo, Mandolin, Guitar; Fred I. Graham, Flute, Saxophone, Clarinet, Band Instruments; Instructor in Elocution and Physical Cul-



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THE STANDARD BUSINESS OFFICE FORCE.

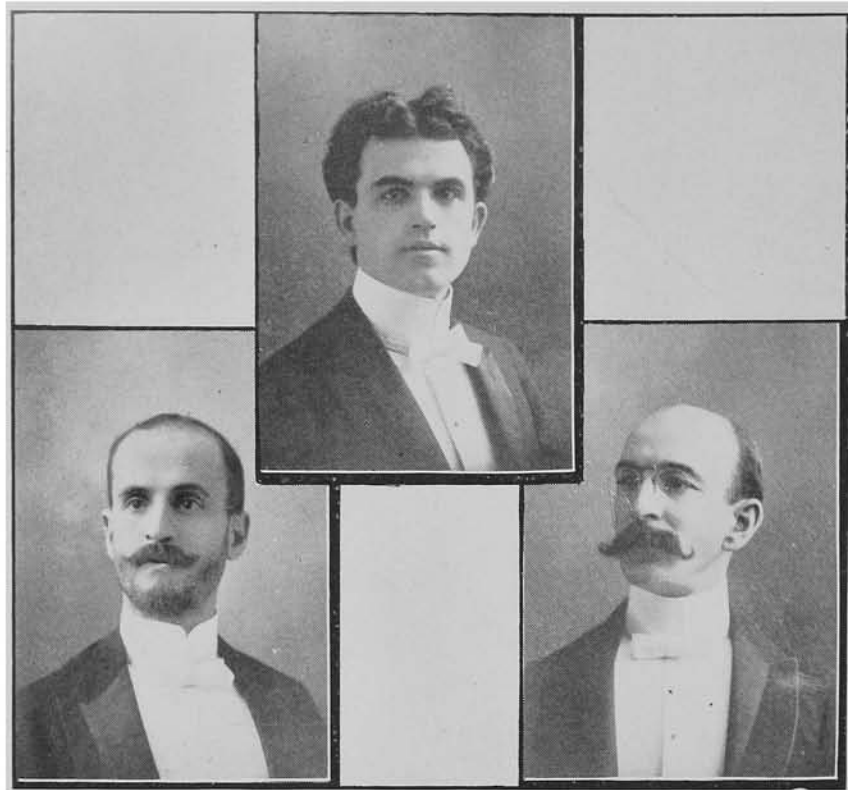
Charles R. Lord,
Reporter.

Marion L. Weatherwax,
Subscription Clerk.

Lillie E. Dunn, Cashier.
Harlem G. Joy, Foreman.

Charles F. Sarson,
Canvasser and Collector.

Charles H. White,
Bookkeeper and Collector.

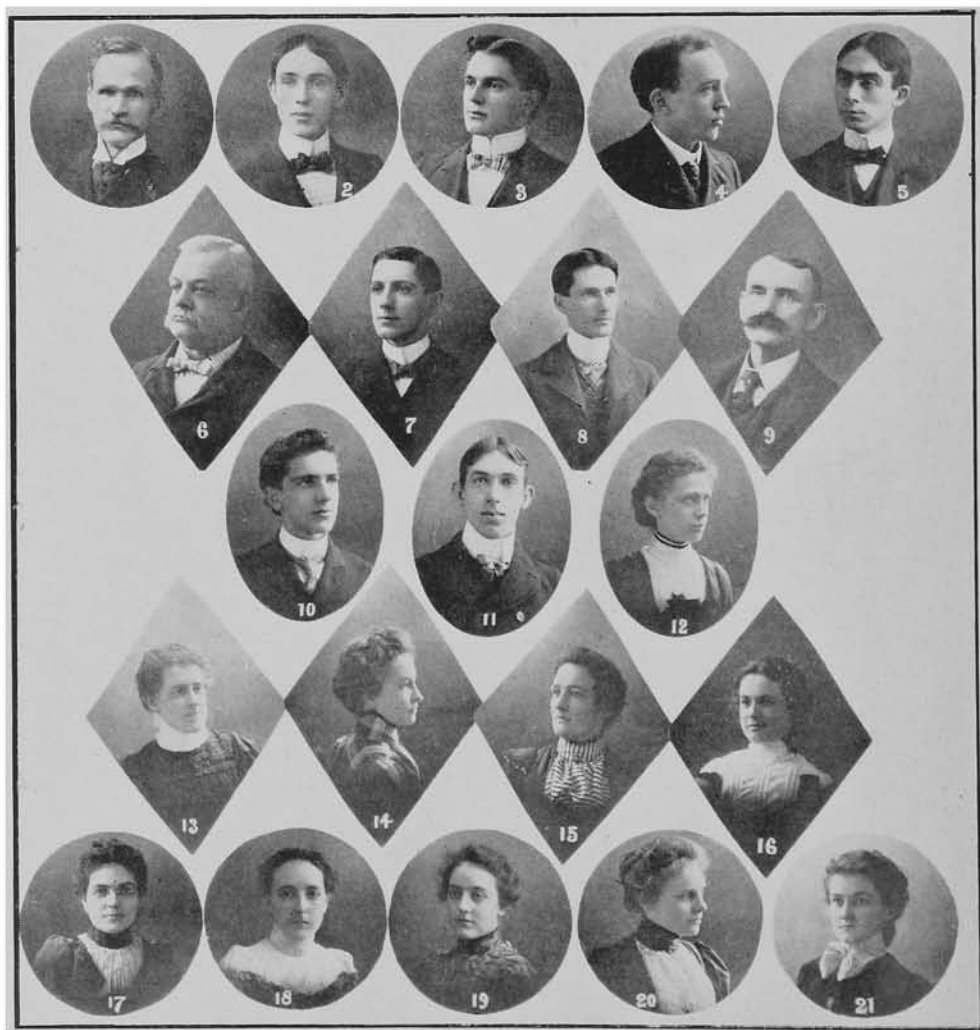
B. L. BENTLEY.
Hyatt, Photos

G. O. BOWEN.

A. E. DARBY.
[See sk., P. 199.]

ture, to be announced; Miss Mattie Briggs, Modern Languages; L. J. Higgins, Philadelphia Academy of Fine Arts, Painting and Drawing. From the start the Conservatory of Music has been a pronounced success, far beyond the fondest expectations of the founders, and each year has seen an increase in the number of students, and a very apparent advancement in the grade of work accomplished by them. The influence for good that it has had upon the community is of inestimable value. In June, 1899, the board of trustees of Syracuse University passed an act appointing this school gymnasium or preparatory school of music to the Music Department of the Fine Arts College of the university. This acknowledgment of their esteem by advanced education for the work done by the Conservatory is considered a high honor by the directors. At the close of this year's work in June the first graduating exercises will take place. The closing concerts take place June 18-19-20, and the graduating class concert June 21. Mr. A. E. Darby was born in Cortland in 1865. At the age of two years his home was removed to Homer, where he received his preliminary education, graduating from the Homer Academy in '83. In 1886 he entered Syracuse University as a special student under the instruction of the late Dr. Schultze, the founder of the Boston Mendelssohn Quintette Club. The same year Mr. Darby began his work in Cort-

land as violin instructor, and in 1892 he entered Syracuse University as a regular student, receiving the degree of Mus. B. from that institution in '96. In his Sophomore year Mr. Darby was elected leader of the Banjo and Mandolin Club, a position which he held throughout his course. While at Syracuse he also received thorough orchestra drill under Prof. Conrad L. Becker and Prof. Kuenzlein. Since the establishment of the Conservatory Mr. Darby has had charge of a Symphony orchestra in connection with the institution, and also is leader of the Opera House orchestra. Mr. Darby has also the classes in Theory, having received two years' instruction under Percy Goetschius, the author of the celebrated work, "Material Used in Musical Composition," and four years under Prof. Bearwald of Syracuse University. Burt Legrand Bentley, Mus. B., was born in Dryden, N. Y., Sept. 23, 1868. His musical career began by "picking out" little pieces on an old melodion, and also playing marches for the classes in the school. At fifteen years of age he moved to Homer, and two or three years later was made organist in the old Baptist church in that village, which position he held for two years, during which time he studied pipe organ in the Syra-



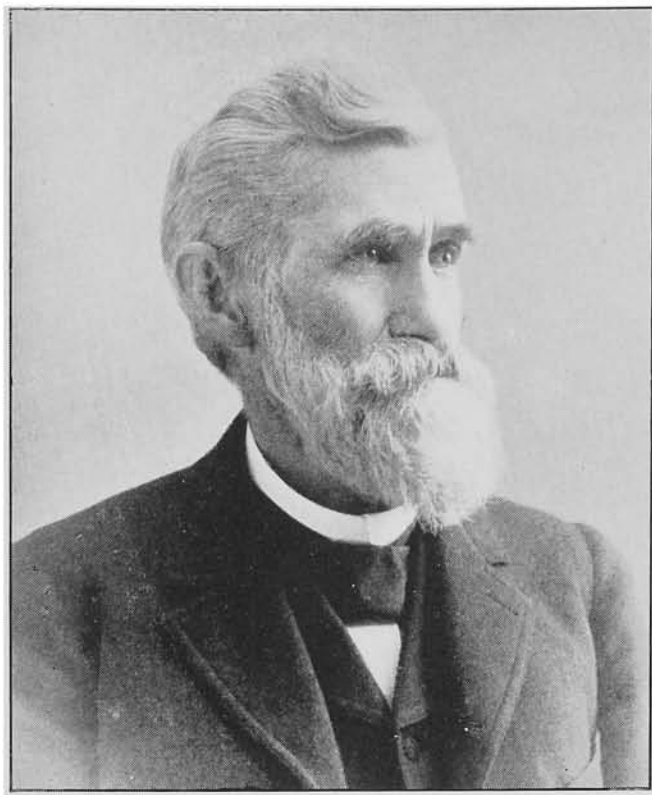
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STANDARD EMPLOYES.

1. A. B. Corwin, Job Printer. 2. H. Gray Joy, Souvenir Pressman. 3. Benjamin E. Ross, Newspaper Pressman. 4. E. E. Van Wormer, Job Printer. 5. Earl E. Atkinson, Job Printer. 6. M. B. Smith, Job Printer. 7. F. A. Dunn, Advertising Compositor. 8. F. W. Wing, Job Printer. 9. L. B. Rittenhouse, Janitor. 10. Robert Phelps, Apprentice. 11. F. J. Donegan, Make-up. 12. Lena M. Rindge, Proof Reader. 13. Lizzie Haben, Job Compositor. 14. Minnie A. Losee, Compositor. 15. Alice Sheridan, Compositor. 16. Tessie E. Dwyer, Compositor. 17. Emma A. Moore, Compositor. 18. Anna M. Haben, Compositor. 19. Mildred Foote, Compositor. 20. Zora A. Fowler, Compositor. 21. Katherine Garvey, Compositor.

cuse University. With his earnings in the shop he paid for his musical education, occupying the evenings in studying and practicing. Over ten years ago Mr. Bentley accepted the position of organist in the First Baptist church of Cortland, and later director of music, coming here directly from Homer. In 1893 he entered the Syracuse University to take a complete course in music and kindred studies, and four years later was graduated with honors, and received the degree of Bachelor of Music. For graduation he placed the celebrated Sonata in C minor, by Guilman, on the magnificent organ in Crouse Hall. He also conducted a large ladies' chorus, who sang his graduating composition, "'Twas On a Bank of Daisies Sweet." George Oscar Bowen, the principal of the Vocal Department and Business Director of the Conservatory, was born near Binghamton, N. Y., in 1873. At the age of sixteen he removed to Binghamton and commenced the study of music. For five years he studied with a local teacher, Mrs. Alex. Brown, to whom he feels he owes much of his success as a singer and teacher. At seventeen he was soloist of the First Baptist Church Quartet Choir, where he remained one year, leaving to take a similar position in the Centenary M. E. church, and after three months went to Trinity Memorial church (Episcopal). Here he remained for more than six years as soloist, resigning to take a more lucrative position at Park Presbyterian church, Syracuse, N. Y. In 1894 Mr. Bowen studied under Frederick A. Bristol of New York city at Martha Vineyard, and in 1895 began study with Dr. Jules Jordan of Providence, R. I., one of the most celebrated teachers of the East. He has been under Dr. Jordan's tuition each year until last summer, when he went to Chautauqua, N. Y., to study voice and teachers' training under J. Harry Wheeler of New York city, and sight singing under Lyman S. Leason of Philadelphia. Besides his work in the Conservatory of Music, he is Musical Director of the Cortland Opera Co., Cortland Choral Society, and the Chorus Choir of the First Methodist church in this place.

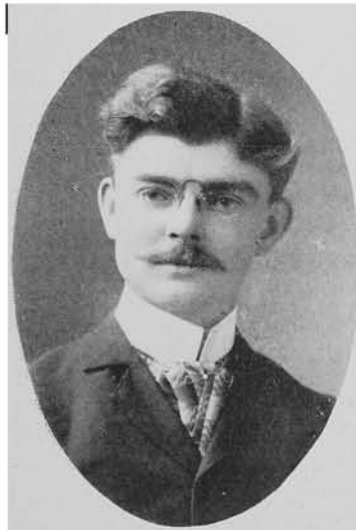
Yager & Crandall, proprietors of the Fair store in the Brockway block, Homer, succeeded the firm of Yager & Marshall on July 4, 1898, to the business which was then being carried on in the Hakes block, South Main street. In October, 1895, Mr. Wm. G. Crandall, who takes full control of the business, came to Homer as the manager of Yager & Marshall's store, which at that time was opened up as an entire new business at the corner of Main and James streets. The business was so well managed as to make what was originally intended as a holiday business, a permanent Homer



Borrowed Photo. F. O. HYATT.

branch store. Trade increased to that extent that more room was required and in April, 1897, the store was moved into the Hakes block. On March 1, 1899, Yager & Crandall, finding that still more room was a necessity, and securing the lease of the large store in the Brockway block occupied by them at present, moved into their new quarters. This gives them the use of three floors which are fully stocked with all variety of goods that are useful for house furnishings and ladies' and gentlemen's wear, including dry goods, which was added after moving into the Brockway block, underwear and hosiery, which are among the leading lines, crockery, lamps, tinware and a variety of other lines too numerous to mention. Mr. Crandall was born in Georgetown, Madison county, Jan. 2, 1876, and in May, 1895, was graduated from Lowell's Business college in Binghamton, coming from there to Cortland and in the fall of the same year entering the store of Yager & Marshall in that village as cashier, which position he held until he was sent to Homer to carry on a holiday trade, which resulted, however, in locating there permanently. Mr. Crandall is a member of several societies and is actively identified with the Homer Baptist church.

Dr. F. O. Hyatt was born Sept. 14, 1829, at Otego, Otsego Co., N. Y. He was the son of Lewis and Electa Stewart Hyatt. He started out for himself at an early age. He was a bright student and had many varied talents, as a musician and artist. He went into the watch and jewelry business at Honesdale, Pa., and a little later located at Towanda, Pa., where he studied dentistry under Drs. McIntosh and L. B. Hyatt. He became proficient in this line and remained at Towanda until 1848, when he removed to Marathon, N. Y., where he followed his profession six



YAGER & CRANDALL'S FAIR STORE, HOMER, N. Y.
W. G. Crandall. Crockery Department.



H. I. JENKINS. H. P. DAVIS. F. P. HAKES.
(Photos by Harris and Butler.)

years. He married Julia E. Bouton of Marathon, N. Y., May 17, 1856, and in 1858 settled in Cortland, where he enjoyed the best of prosperity, and still found time to follow his aesthetic tastes. His landscapes and portrait work gained flattering recognition from competent critics and brought remunerative returns. Besides painting many valuable pieces he found time to instruct pupils. In the fire on the corner of West Court and Main streets, May 24, 1884, Dr. Hyatt lost one hundred and fifty choice paintings. The doctor was a great lover of music and spent much time in its study. He organized, and was leader of a band, and later of an orchestra. In civic affairs he was alert, fearless and incorruptible. He served five years in the volunteer fire department of Cortland, a part of the time as its head. Of a nervous temperament, he was ever active beyond his strength. They built their pleasant home at 182 Main street in 1864. Dr. Hyatt died Sept. 23, 1895, at the age of 66 years.

Davis, Jenkins & Hakes

is an insurance firm composed of Lewis Davis, Harley P. Davis, Henry I. Jenkins and Frank P. Hakes, who succeeded the firm of L. Davis & Son, Jan. 1, 1894. They have built up a desirable business by strict honesty and attention to business, and do an extended business, spreading out to all adjoining counties. If you wish for an Accident, Life, Health, Fire, Casualty, Liability or Fidelity policy, call on them. Henry I. Jenkins was born in St. Lawrence county in 1859, where he was engaged in the furniture and undertaking business until 1890, when he turned his atten-

tion to life insurance, representing the Traveler's Insurance Co. of Hartford, which company the above firm represents in all its departments. Mr. Jenkins is an Odd Fellow, belonging to Vesta lodge, No. 255. Another growing feature in the business is the Fidelity and Surety branch. They represent the U. S. Fidelity and Guarantee Co. of Baltimore, and issue bonds of all kinds, including administrator, executor, and for all offices of trust. Lewis Davis was born at Marathon, Cortland Co., in 1821. Until 1885 he was engaged in contracting and building. He has been a resident of Cortland for forty years. Harley P. Davis was born in 1869 in Cortland and has always lived there. He engaged in the insurance business in March, 1885, under the firm name of L. Davis & Son. On January, 1894, Henry I. Jenkins and Frank P. Hakes were admitted to the firm under the above title. He is an Odd Fellow, being a member of Vesta lodge, No. 255, and also a member of the Cortland fire department, of which he was elected chief engineer, Jan. 1, 1900. Frank P. Hakes, the junior member of this firm, was born at Pitcher, Chenango Co., N. Y., Dec. 6, 1852. He lived there until Jan. 1, 1894, when he removed to Cortland. He was engaged in the mercantile business twenty years at his old home. In 1883 he was elected supervisor of the town of Pitcher and re-elected ten succeeding years, and

was supervisor when he removed from the county. He was chairman of the Chenango county board of supervisors for two terms, being chosen chairman in 1890 and again in 1891. He is a member of the Masonic societies of Cortland, being the present Master of Cortlandville lodge, No. 470, Past Commander of Cortland Commandery, and Past High Priest of Cortland Chapter. He is also a member of John L. Lewis lodge, I. O. O. F. He is also president of the Tioughnioga club and one of the trustees of the Cortland Savings bank.

Earliest Schools in Cortland County.—The first in Homer was opened in 1798. In other towns the earliest schools were as follows: Cincinnatus, 1797; Marathon, 1803; Preble, 1801; Scott, 1803; Solon, 1804; Truxton, 1799; Taylor, 1810; Hartford, 1806.



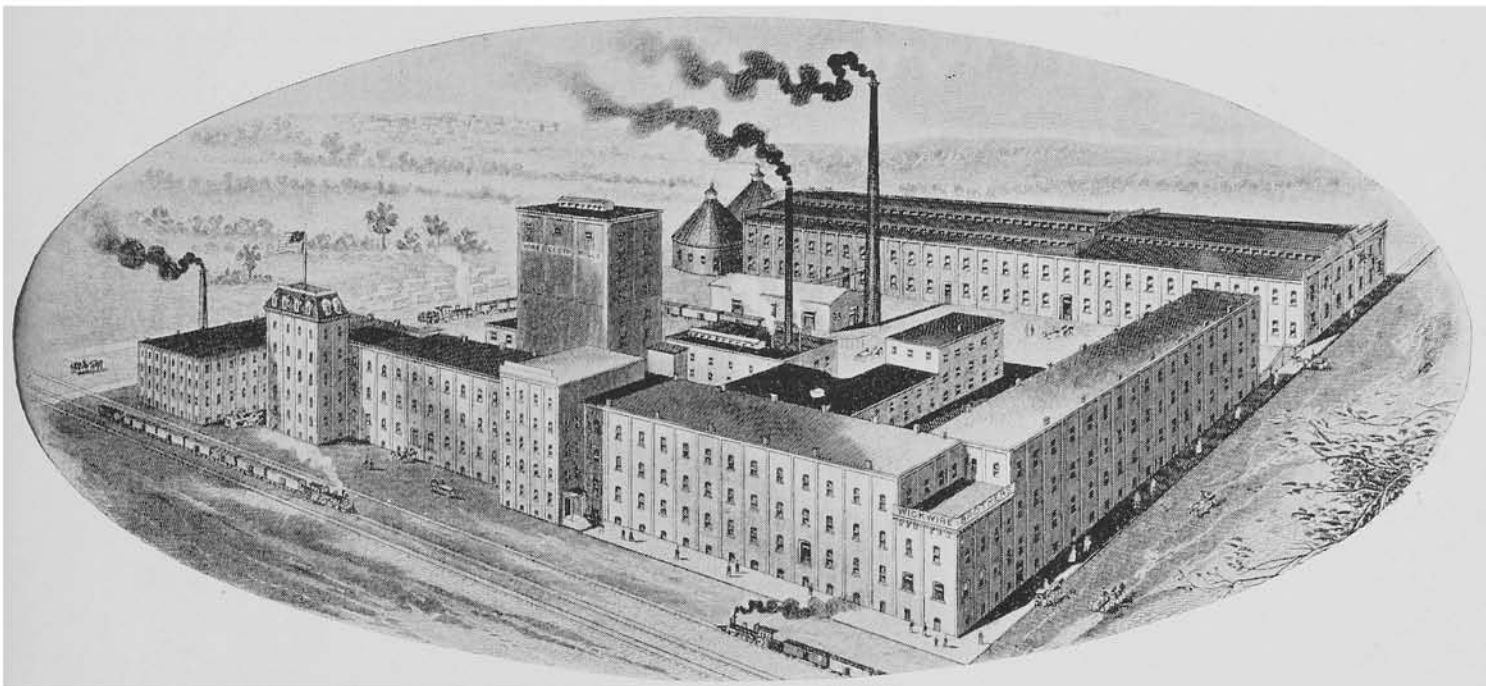
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THEODORE H. WICKWIRE'S RESIDENCE.

Wickwire Brothers.—The largest and most prosperous manufacturing industry in Cortland to-day is the wire industry of Wickwire Bros., established in 1873 and incorporated in 1892. The business was fairly commenced in 1874, on Main street, in the rear of the hardware store on the site now occupied by H. M. Kellogg. It was continued there in connection with the hardware business until the spring of 1876, when the hardware was disposed of and the entire attention of Messrs. C. F. and T. H. Wickwire was given to the wire business alone. The industry at first included only the manufacture of wire cloth and wire goods, but in 1881 the drawing of fine wire was begun in the large brick building which was erected on land purchased of Mr. W. R. Randall, just south of the then Elmira, Cortland and Northern railroad, now the Lehigh Valley, on Main street, and which forms part of the present immense plant. In 1884 the wire-weaving and wire goods department was also moved down to this location and there established. The plant has steadily increased in size from the outset, until now it includes a main building 387 feet by 45 along the L. V. railroad, and 190

ings contain six and one-half acres of floor space.

The lot on which the plant stands includes nearly nine acres. Only three acres were purchased in 1880, when the erection of the wire mill was begun. The works employ on an average six hundred hands, with a pay-roll of about \$6,500 a week the year round. Though various kinds of wire-cloth are manufactured, the largest product is cloth suited for door and window screens, which is made of steel wire, either painted or galvanized. A special brand of wire-cloth known as "Wickwire Bronze Cloth" is also manufactured, besides cloth for sieves, riddles and other wire-cloth goods. In wire goods, the concern manufactures coal sieves, corn poppers, dish covers, and other household specialties, all in various styles. Poultry nettings are now one of the leading lines manufactured by the company, and, like all its other goods, rank as the best on the market. Wickwire Brothers were the first concern in the world to manufacture wire-cloth for window screens with two selvages for all widths, also the first to manufacture wire-cloth from hard drawn steel wire.



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WICKWIRE BROTHERS' WIRE WORKS.

x 45 on Main street, comprising three stories and a basement, and built of brick. Besides the main building, there is a box shop and sieve building 45 x 80 feet, also boiler houses and engine rooms connected on the rear; a paint tower 32 x 60 feet, seven stories high; wire mill 300 x 90 feet, two stories and basement; annealing and cleaning houses, consisting of two circular buildings, 60 feet in diameter. The cut accompanying this article showing the above described buildings includes less than half the present plant, and shows only those buildings erected down to the year 1895. During the last four years the company has gone into the manufacture of poultry nettings on an immense scale, and the size of the plant has been more than doubled, in order to provide facilities for this work, as well as for the increased demand for other products. The various buildings now making up the works are so located that no one photograph could begin to show them all. Only a bird's-eye-view, such as the one of the works in 1895, from which the accompanying cut is taken, could give any idea of the present plant, and the drawing which was being made was not completed in time for this Souvenir. Some idea of the size of the plant, however, may be formed from the fact that the build-

The company claims to have the best equipped factory and largest capacity for manufacturing goods in its line in the United States, and probably in the world. The machinery used in weaving, spooling, painting and finishing wire-cloth has all been invented by members of the company. During recent years the works have been running a considerable portion of the time day and night, and they are to-day the greatest factor in the prosperity of Cortland. The corporate name of the company is "Wickwire Brothers," and the present officers are: C. F. Wickwire, president; T. H. Wickwire, secretary and treasurer; and A. F. Stilson, superintendent.

The Indians who, anterior to the settlement of the whites in this county, made the valleys and uplands their hunting grounds, are said to have been the Lenapes and the Mingoës. Tradition relates that the only Indian settlement within the bounds of the present county was that of the Lenapes, and was located on the Tioughnioga river at the mouth of Cold Brook, in the village of Homer. It was destroyed by a band of Mingoës.