

FIRE COMPANIES

The first fire engine ever owned and operated in Newmarket was purchased by the Newmarket Manufacturing Company. It was a very crude apparatus, operated by cranks; the water had to be poured into its "tub" and a tiny stream was thrown, affording but little protection from the devouring flames. This was in 1832 and from this purchase dates the organization of the "Fire Department."

Seven years later a brake machine was substituted for the first, which had been called "The Coffee-Mill." This was not much of an improvement, however, for the water still had to be brought in buckets and poured into the box. They, however, were the sole protection until March 9, 1852, when the town voted to buy an engine and a committee consisting of John Webster, who at that time was agent of the mills, Dr. George W. Kittredge, and Joseph Taylor were authorized to raise \$1,000 for the purchase.

On April 26, 1852, a fire company was organized, known as "Tiger, No. 1," of which Thomas W. Willey, Sr., was captain.

A company had been organized for the operation of the company's machine, styled the "Ever Ready" and it still continued its existence, but Tiger No. 1 was the first equipped by the town.

In 1853 a lot was purchased and a house erected, in which Granite Engine was installed. The department at this time consisted of Tiger No. 1, with 37 members, "Always Ready," No. 2, 29 members, and Hose Co. No. 1, with six members, and it thus continued until 1858, when the manufacturing company, realizing the need of more efficient equipment, bought another hand-brake machine, known as "Granite" and as the old "Ever Ready" was now useless, they took its number, viz., 2.

In 1894 and 1895 the town established its present efficient water system. Near the present site of the old nut and bolt factory, it has established a pumping station, utilizing for the purpose the water privilege there. The sources of its supply are inexhaustible mountain springs and the reservoir is located on Great Hill, sufficiently high to afford pressure to safely cover the village, and the old engines, having served their day, have been retired.

Newmarket has been particularly favored in the matter of fires. While several small losses have from time to time been sustained, only one serious conflagration has visited the town. This was on February 6, 1866, when many buildings were destroyed and a loss of upwards of \$30,000 sustained.

CIVIL WAR

When the Civil War broke out, in 1861, Newmarket had lost none of her

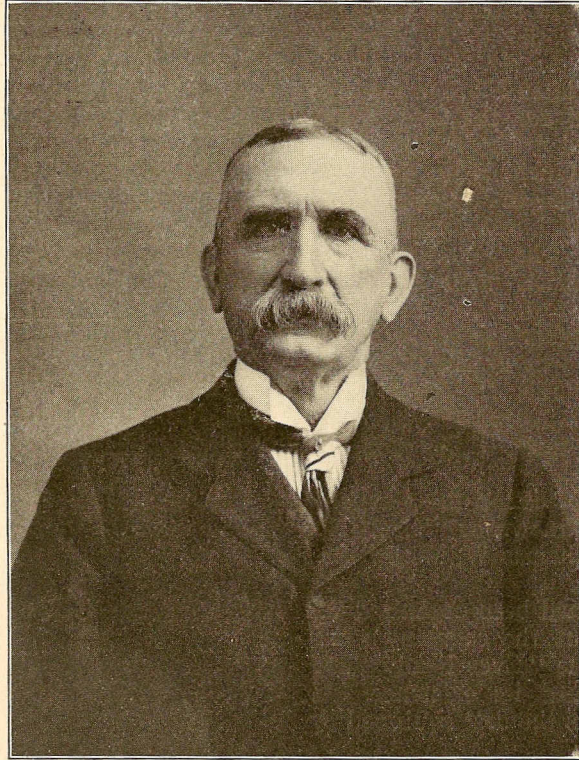


Alanson C. Haines
As a soldier

old-time valor, but was as ready and eager to do her duty as in the days of the Revolution. Her men were well scattered throughout the various regiments during the war, and she

furnished more than her quota of troops. About 150 men, all told, were sent by the town, many of whom saw hard fighting and left their blood upon Southern battlefields. Many of them were in the immortal Second New Hampshire Regiment which took part in the first battle of the war at Bull Run, fought at Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Mechanicsville and

Among the officers furnished by Newmarket were George W. Frost and B. N. Towle, who were lieutenant-colonel and assistant surgeon, respectively, of the Fifteenth New Hampshire Regiment. The people of Newmarket will ever revere the name of George A. Gay, who enlisted in Company K of the Fifth New Hampshire Regiment, was appointed sergeant in



Capt. James M. Durell

Gaines' Mill, and took an important part and suffered its greatest loss at Gettysburg. In Company I alone, of this regiment, Newmarket had ten men, of whom four were wounded in battle. Some of the Newmarket men were in the New Hampshire Sixth, than which no regiment in the war won a prouder name or made a more honorable record, participating as it did in twenty-three battles, including Antietam, Fredricksburg, the Wilderness and Spottsylvania.

1862, was wounded in that year at White Oak Swamp, Va., later appointed sergeant major and still later second lieutenant of Company D, and killed in the Battle of Antietam in 1862.

No complete company was furnished by the town at any one time. The largest number that went in one body was that under Capt. James M. Durell, who first enlisted as private in Company E, Thirteenth Regiment, received a lieutenant's commission in

1862, was wounded that year at the battle of Fredericksburg, again entered the field and fought at Cold Harbor in June, 1864, and was appointed captain of Company C of this regiment on July 15th of that year. Captain Durell now resides in Hyde Park, Mass., and is the father of Lieutenant Commander Edward Hovey Durell, on board the battleship *New Jersey*, who was a lieutenant on the *Dixie* during the Spanish War.

CAPT. JAMES M. DURELL

Captain James M., son of Newman and Sally B. Osborne Durell, was born June 2, 1832.

He attended the village schools and at the age of twenty went to Boston, where he secured employment in the dry goods business.

He enlisted in the state militia, and, after the defeat of Banks in 1862, it was rumored that Governor Andrews would call out the state forces, and Mr. Durell tendered his services to the governor, but Andrews decided not to take action at this time. In earnest to serve the flag, our subject secured leave of absence and returned to his native state. Securing an audience with Governor Berry, to whom he bore letters of introduction, he told him that he wanted to enlist a company of men.

The governor thanked him, but told him frankly that he believed his efforts would be useless and that he would lose both time and money, but said, "If you go to recruiting I will give you all the assistance in my power and if you will bring me nine men to muster into the service I will give you a commission."

Undaunted by this discouraging reception he went at once to his boyhood home, and opened a recruiting office with good measure of success.

Shortly after the selectmen petitioned the governor to allow him to remain until the full quota for the town was enlisted, which was granted, with the result that the largest num-

ber of men which served in any one regiment from this town was secured. On the organization of the company he was commissioned first lieutenant, Company E, the color company of the 13th Regiment, September 17, 1862.

His first engagement was at Fredericksburg, where he was wounded December 13, 1862. Then followed the battle of Suffolk, under General Peck, March, 1863.

In the spring of '64 the Army of the James was ordered to Bermuda Hundreds. During this campaign he participated in several engagements. After this the 18th Corps was ordered to the support of the Army of the Potomac at Cold Harbor. During the three days' battle of Cold Harbor he was again wounded. After this engagement the Corps was ordered back to Petersburg, remaining during the summer. In September he was again ordered to Bermuda Hundreds. There he was ordered with his company to hold an earth work in an exposed position between the Union and Rebel lines. While holding this position he was detailed, by special orders, as acting aide de camp, with rank of captain on the staff of Gen. Charles K. Graham, commanding defences at Bermuda Hundreds, serving until close of the war. He was mustered out June 21, 1865, having well and faithfully served his country in her time of greatest need.

After a brief but greatly needed rest he accepted a position as traveling salesman. After a year of service, on January 1, 1867, entered the employ of Haughton Perkins & Co., wholesale dry goods merchants, with whom he remained until the great Boston fire. Soon after the fire he became associated with another dry goods house, and has continued in the wholesale business up to the present time.

February 10, 1864, he married Bathsheba Thaxter Hovey of Boston, by whom he has five children, three boys and two girls. The eldest, Ed-

ward Hovey, born February 19, 1866, was appointed to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, August, 1883; graduated therefrom in 1887, and was commissioned ensign 1889. He married Annie H. Kendal of Hyde Park, by whom he has one daughter. He was serving as lieutenant on the *Oregon* during her trial trip. At the outbreak of the Spanish American war he was stationed in Alaskan waters, being at that time navigating officer on the *Wheeling*.

His urgent request to the navy department at Washington to be transferred to the Atlantic fleet was refused, his ship being short of officers. The *Wheeling* shortly after was ordered to Manila. During his service he has visited most of the civilized countries of the world. At the present time he is navigating officer on the *New Jersey*, with rank of lieutenant commander, this battleship being one of the fleet now on the way to the Pacific coast.

WOODBIDGE W. DURELL

No one citizen of this town holds a prouder record, or was called upon to do and suffer more for his country's flag than Woodbridge W. Durell. As the first call for troops rang through the land, this youth of twenty-two hastened to enroll himself a member of Company L, New Hampshire Battalion, First Regiment New England Volunteer Cavalry. He served with distinction, was twice promoted, as corporal and sergeant, and took part in twelve engagements, viz., Fort Royal, Cedar Mountain, Brandy Station, Groveton, Second Bull Run, Chantilly, Montville, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Culpepper Court House, Rapidan and Sulphur Springs. On the morning of October 12, 1863, a detachment of some two hundred men of this regiment were on detached duty acting as escort to the 6th Army Corps. Meanwhile fighting had commenced under Mead at Sulphur Springs, and they reported for duty

and were ordered to defend a ford. By the time they were relieved, at 9 p. m., darkness enveloped them. The Union forces had been compelled to fall back, closely pressed by the enemy, so that this troop was obliged to pass in their rear. Sergeant Durell was in command of the rear guard. While crossing a stream shots were fired from the rear and the command was given to "trot." About a mile had been traversed in the darkness when the head of the column diverged to the right. Those in the rear failed to make the turn and continued straight ahead, riding through an entire corps of the enemy, encamped on both sides of the highway. Failing to recognize their uniforms and anxious to find a camping place, they pressed on until they found themselves surrounded by troops, to their surprise and discomfort. The recognition came too late and they were no more astonished than were their captors, who at once placed some forty-five men under arrest, escorting them back to Sulphur Springs. Three days later they were taken to Richmond and confined at Libby, where the men were searched and their money taken from them. Durell managed to secrete some twelve dollars, which proved a Godsend to himself and comrades and helped to save them from some of the horrors of starvation to which others succumbed. Space will not permit, nor is my pen competent to portray, the cruel hardships, the pangs of hunger, the sufferings from cold and lack of blankets these heroic men endured. Think of sleeping upon the frozen ground with the cold stars for a covering, to feed day after day upon less than a pint of the coarsest of meal (the corn and cobs ground together and issued unsifted). The heart sickens and the pen falters at thought of their woes—at Libby, Belle Island, Andersonville, Savannah, Miland, Black-Shear and Florence, he suffered the cruelties of imprisonment. He was released De-

ember 14, 1864, and mustered out in March, 1865. Of the forty-five men captured on that ill-fated October day, but five survived the hardships of their imprisonment and four of the number are still living. The war ended, and his country no longer requiring his services, he returned to his childhood's home, not to rest upon

efforts and his sterling characteristics of honesty, enterprise and fair play.

A Republican in politics, he has been called repeatedly to serve his town in various capacities, such as treasurer and selectman, while in 1891, he represented his town in the legislature.



Woodbridge W. Durell

his hard-earned laurels, but rather to acquire new victories. He now entered the employment of B. F. Haley, as clerk in his dry goods department. Here he mastered every detail of the business and continued with him fifteen years, when he purchased the dry goods department and established his own store. His business has steadily increased until it is today the largest of its kind in town, having been built up by his individual

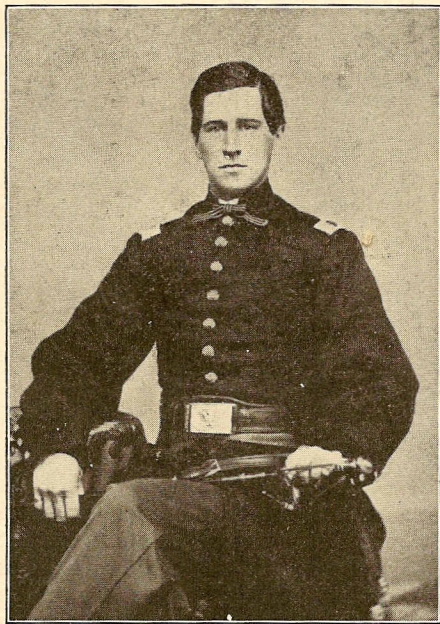
He was born in Newmarket in September, 1839, and as a child he attended the village schools, but at the early age of fifteen began life's battles by entering the employ of the Newmarket Manufacturing Company as bobbin boy. The life did not appeal to him, and, after a few months, he began his mercantile training, as a clerk in a general store, which he continued to fill until the call to arms.

In 1869 Miss Sarah E. Smith,

daughter of Samuel and Sarah E. Smith of Wakefield, N. H., became his wife—a true helpmeet in all the fulness of that sacred term. A member of Rising Star Lodge, A. F. and A. M., he has twice been called to its highest office “in the East.” He also holds membership in other organizations.

His genial manner and pleasant smile endear him to old and young, and he is recognized as a many-sided, up-to-date, progressive man of affairs.

Charles W. Greene, brother of Samuel H., was born here in 1841, and, at the call to arms, he enlisted August 13, 1862, at the age of 21. He was mustered in as a private September 18, and discharged to accept promotion elsewhere on January 22,



Capt. Charles W. Greene

1864. He then enlisted in the 25th Infantry, was appointed captain and was discharged August 28, 1865, and breveted major for gallant services.

James P. Brooks first enlisted in the 6th Regiment, November 27, 1861, was appointed 2nd lieutenant Nov. 30, first lieutenant April 29, 1862;



Lieut. James P. Brooks

wounded and discharged as disabled Oct. 31, 1862. He again enlisted in Co. K, 57th Mass. Infantry, March 10, 1864, and died at Alexandria, Va., July 14, 1864.

Henry H. Murray enlisted July 31, 1862, as private in the Thirteenth N. H.; was appointed second lieutenant, Sept. 27, 1862, and promoted to first lieutenant of Co. K, June 10, 1863. On the 27th of October he was captured at the battle of Fair Oaks and for a time was held as an hostage. Potent influences were exerted on his behalf and on Feb. 15th, 1865, he was paroled and in June next following he was mustered out.

Woodbridge W. Tuttle enlisted December 10, 1861, and two weeks later he was mustered in as a private in the First Regiment, New England Volunteer Cavalry. The following spring he was captured and paroled October 31, 1862, at Mountville, Va. Rejoining his regiment he was again captured June 18, 1863, near Middlebury, Va., and was again paroled. Late in that year he was promoted to

corporal, sergeant, second and first lieutenant. He re-enlisted and served until the war ended, having been mustered out July 10, 1865.

George A. Smith, while born in Massachusetts, is claimed by Newmarket, for when but a child his widowed mother came here and made her home. He enlisted in the navy and was appointed acting master's mate, October 22, 1861; acting master April 28, 1862; acting volunteer lieutenant, June 27, 1865. He served upon the U. S. S. *Shepherd Knapp*, *Huntsville*, *Dictator* and the monitor *Monadnock*, and was discharged July 2, 1868.

John J. Hanson was born at Lee, but as a lad came to Newmarket. He enlisted August 30, 1862, aged twenty-five years. He was mustered in as sergeant October 16, 1862, and mustered out August 13, 1863. He was one of the active organizers of the G. A. R. Post, its first commander and for him the Camp of Sons of Veterans is named.

June 11, 1869, Geo. A. Gay Post, No. 18, G. A. R., was organized and Comrade John J. Hanson was its first commander, since which date it has quietly, but none the less faithfully, exemplified the high and loyal precepts it was organized to inculcate.

Regularly as the thirtieth of May comes with its first breath of summer, her gray and battle-scarred veterans gather to memorialize their honored dead, and with loving hands they scatter fresh and fragrant blossoms upon those "little green tents" 'neath which their comrades of other days peacefully await the sounding of the grand reveille.

Of the work which this post has performed in relieving the wants of afflicted and distressed comrades, ministering with more than a woman's tender care to the dying and in burying the dead, this record may not speak and of it the world knows little, but "He who notes the spar-

row's fall" has not forgotten and He will not forget.

The Woman's Relief Corps, an auxiliary of the Post, was organized October 10, 1889, M. Augusta Rand having been its first president. Right royally and with true loyalty have these unselfish women sought to aid and assist their brothers in every worthy word and work and are a power for good in this community.

In the spring of '07 John J. Hanson Camp, Sons of Veterans, was organized, Franklin A. Brackett being its first commander.

NEWMARKET CLUB OF BOSTON

The Newmarket Club of Boston was organized in the spring of 1904 at the home of Charles H. Haley in Dorchester, Mass., where, in response to requests sent out by Mr. John E. Savage of Mattapan, Mass., and others, a goodly number of Newmarket people residing in and about Boston met together and resolved to form a club.

What Ex-Governor Rollins of New Hampshire stands for in connection with the Old Home Week institution now so widely observed throughout the country, Mrs. Fred H. Pillsbury of South Framingham, Mass., stands for in relation to the Newmarket Club of Boston. To Mrs. Pillsbury is due the first thought that the many people residing in Boston and vicinity who were once residents of Newmarket might be associated together for the renewal of old acquaintanceships and the formation of new and closer relations, having for a common end the interests of the town, and while aided by many in the consummation of this thought, none were more zealous and active in the carrying out of the work than the late Mrs. Benjamin F. Haley and Mr. John E. Savage, the first corresponding secretary of the club.

Shortly after the first informal gathering held in Dorchester in 1904 a second meeting was called at the

home of Mr. Haley to further perfect the organization, at which time committees were appointed to draw up a constitution and by-laws and to recommend a list of officers to be voted upon at a later meeting, which should take the form of an outing and be held June 17, 1904. The organization was completed and about seventy-five people came together on the latter date, which was the first formal meeting of the club.

The first winter meeting of the now fully organized Newmarket Club of Boston was held at Roxbury, on the evening of March 2, 1905, and was attended by nearly one hundred members. This meeting was in every way a memorable one and consisted of a banquet, followed by stirring addresses, which were delivered by Hon. Channing Folsom and Hon. Charles A. Morse of Newmarket, and Hon. Newman Durell of Pittsfield.

Thus the club grew, both in numbers and in interest. The midsummer outing of 1905 was held in Newmarket, when the entire organization was most hospitably entertained by the Pascatoquack Club and the fraternal societies of the town.

Up to this time the club had filled chiefly the functions of a social organization. At the winter meeting, held in Somerville, Mass., in March 1906, it was felt that the club was sufficiently established to take up the more serious work which comes within the province of such an organization, and two important committees were appointed, one on town improvements and the other on town history. It was suggested that no complete history of Newmarket had ever been written, and that with the influence and prestige afforded by the club this work could be advantageously carried on, and with promise of good success. The historical committee was accordingly appointed, and immediately set to work gathering data from all possible sources and collating and compiling the same. Arrangements were

presently made for publishing the committee's collections in weekly instalments in the *Newmarket Advertiser*. The first instalment appeared in the *Advertiser* in September, 1906, and the publication of the collections has continued almost constantly ever since. With the coöperation thus secured the committee has made unlooked for progress, and expects at no late day to produce an exhaustive history of the town from its earliest settlement to the present time.

In August, 1906, the club held its second summer outing at Newmarket, this time returning the courtesies of the townspeople and tendering to the citizens a banquet and entertainment. More than one hundred members of the club were present on this occasion, at which addresses were delivered by the president, Charles H. Wiggin, and the corresponding secretary, Henry H. Folsom.

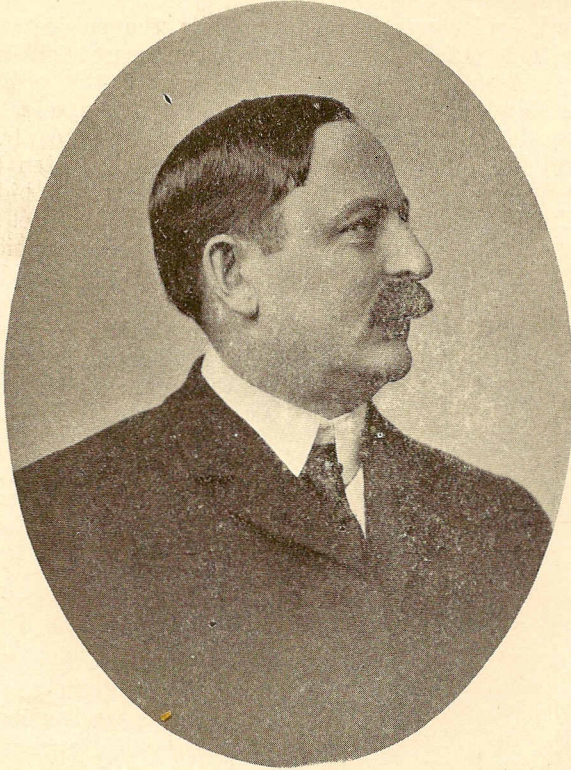
The regular winter meeting was held in Somerville, Mass., in March, 1907, and was more largely attended and more successful than any previous gathering. A banquet was served and one hundred and twenty-five members were present.

The present officers of the club are: Charles H. Wiggin of Malden, Mass., president; William T. Palmer of Mattapan, Mass., vice-president; Mrs. Fred H. Pillsbury of South Framingham, Mass., recording secretary; Henry H. Folsom of Somerville, Mass., corresponding secretary; Elmer J. Young of Malden, Mass., treasurer. These five, with John E. Savage of Mattapan, Mass., and Joseph L. Caverly of Boston, constitute the executive committee, and the historical committee consists of Nestor W. Davis of Winchester, Mass., chairman; John E. Savage, Annie E. Stott of Winchester, Mass., Mrs. Mary Bennett Morse of Haverhill, Mass., and Hon. Channing Folsom of Newmarket.

CHARLES H. WIGGIN.

The Newmarket Club of Boston has been exceedingly fortunate in having at its head an able representative of Newmarket grit and progressiveness in the person of Charles H. Wiggin, of Malden, Mass., whose devotion of both time and money to the building up of the club has made possible the degree of success to which it has at-

to Newmarket at an early age and resided in the town until 1882, on July 1 of which year he entered the railway service of the Boston & Maine Railroad as machinist at the Boston shop. On September 1, 1885, he was promoted to foreman of the machine department, and on October 1, 1891, he was made master mechanic of the Concord Division, with headquarters



Charles H. Wiggin

tained, more especially so in view of the fact that Mr. Wiggin's duties as superintendent of motive power of the Boston & Maine Railroad easily demand all the energies that should rightfully be expended by one individual.

Mr. Wiggin was born in Durham, N. H., September 23, 1859, and received his education in the public schools of Newmarket and at Phillips' Exeter Academy. He removed

at Concord, N. H., where he had charge of the motive power and car departments.

At the time of the lease of the Concord & Montreal Railroad to the Boston & Maine, July 1, 1895, he was appointed master mechanic of the motive power department of the Concord & White Mountain Divisions, in which capacity he served until October 1, 1901, when he was transferred to Boston and appointed assistant super-

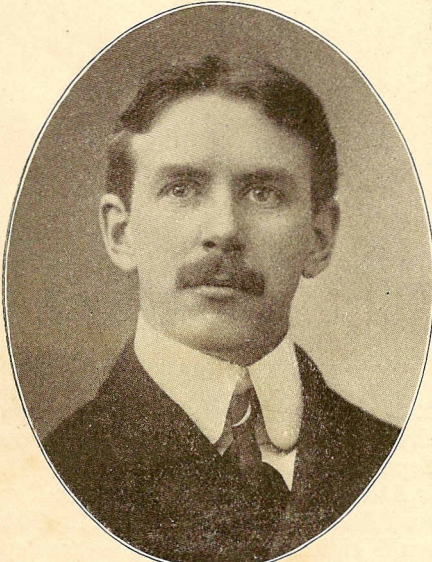
intendent of motive power of the Boston & Maine system, being promoted on January 1, 1907, to superintendent of motive power, which position he now holds.

Mr. Wiggin has never aspired to political honors. He is a past master of Blazing Star Lodge No. 11, A. F. and A. M. of Concord, also a member of Trinity Chapter, Horace Chase Council and Mount Horeb Commandery, all of Concord, junior grand warden of the grand lodge of Masons in New Hampshire. Aside from being president of the Newmarket Club of Boston, he is president of the New England Railroad Club.

He was married November 24, 1886, to Jennie M. Knowlton of Durham, and now resides in Malden, Mass.

NESTOR WILBUR DAVIS

Well has it been said that "Poets are born, not made," and with added emphasis does this apply to historians. Few there are among us who,



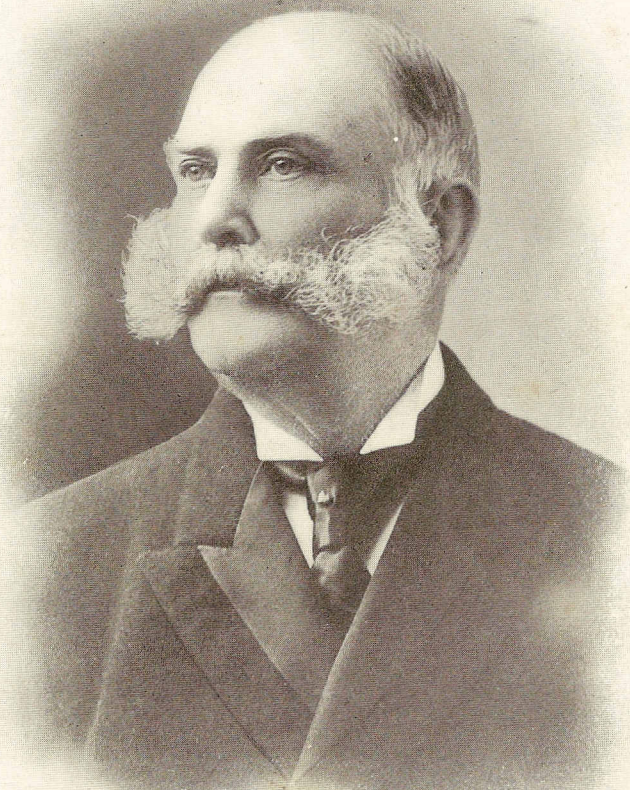
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standing in the presence of some vivid portrayal of nature's varied moods, have not at some time felt the thrill of the poetic muse, but the writing of history calls for almost in-

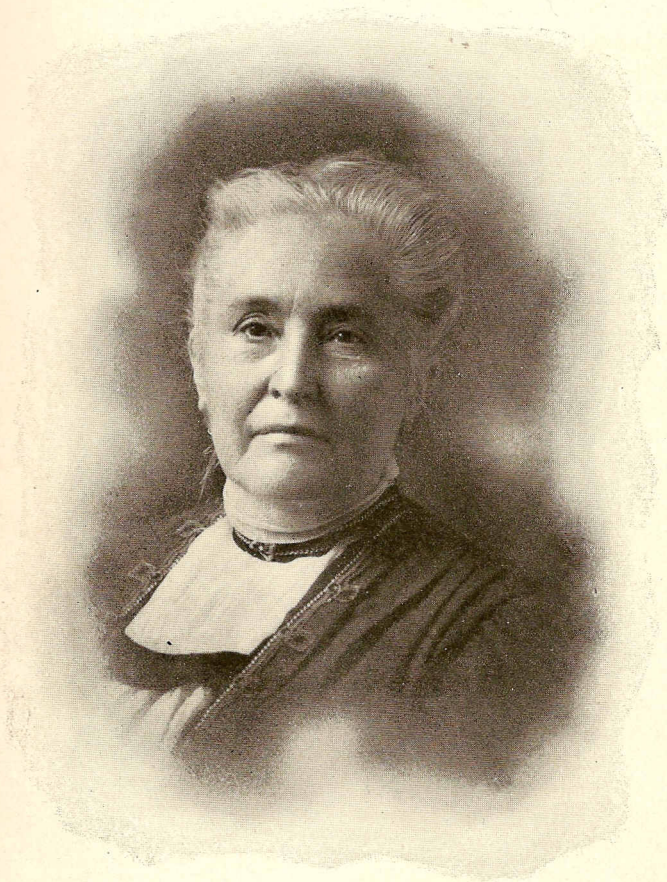
finite patience, for from the mountains of chaff the grains of wheat, one here, another there, must be carefully sifted, and since Carlyle has said there is "no genius save the genius of taking infinite pains," the arrangement and presentation of these grains of truth, discovered at such cost, calls for nothing less than genius, and that, too, of a peculiarly high type.

While the subject of this sketch possesses a rare combination of qualifications for the position which he now occupies as secretary to one of Massachusetts' "captains of industry," as an historian to future generations his name bids fair to become a familiar one. Active and varied as are the duties of his daily life, he finds rest and recreation in poring over "many a volume of forgotten lore" and here and there gleaning a grain of gold, which, with care and discernment, he arranges for the benefit of the generations that are to come.

Born in Newmarket, February 15, 1869, the youngest son of Charles Franklin Davis, of whom we have already written, he attended the common schools of this town, and, later, the grammar and high schools of Dover. In 1890 he went to Boston, which has since been the center of his occupations. In the midst of his other duties he has contributed quite extensively to various biographical and genealogical publications, and done reportorial work for the religious press. Mr. Davis is a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Winchester, Mass., where he resides, a member of the New Hampshire Genealogical Society, also of the Sons of the American Revolution, and chairman of the historical committee of the Newmarket Club of Boston. He married, at Hyde Park, Mass., February 12, 1903, Alice Louise, daughter of Thomas and Helen (Hovey) Chamberlain of that town.



George E. Hilton



Mrs. A. C. Haines

THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF NEW-
MARKET

By Mrs. A. C. Haines.

The Woman's Club of Newmarket
owes its origin to the zeal and energy

held October 24, 1904, and fifty
names were enrolled during the first
few months of its existence.

We had been Grangers, Rebekahs
and W. R. C. women, but as club
members it took time to become famil-
iar with club work and acquainted
with each other's capabilities and
qualifications.

In the former we were assisted by



Mrs. Carrie Davis
Founder of the Woman's Club of Newmarket



Mrs. I. T. George

of one public-spirited woman, Mrs.
Carrie Davis. The first meeting was



Mrs. W. W. Durell

Miss Fannie Mathes, president of the
Dover Club, and Rev. Mrs. N. W. P.
Smith of Newfields.

Our first social venture was a Colo-
nial Tea. The old house of the agent
of the manufacturing corporation,
renovated and remodeled, under the
direction of Mrs. Garner, threw open
its doors to the club, and members and
guests attended in large numbers,
many in attractive colonial costumes.

A program was rendered, refresh-

ments served and the affair pronounced a success. In order to keep in touch with the other clubs of the state, it was voted, April 15, 1905, to



Mrs. J. H. Staples

join the State Federation and Mrs. Charles Pepler, who had come to us from Providence, was elected president. In February, 1906, the Durham Club accepted an invitation to be our guests and Judge Shute of Exeter entertained us with selections from his writings, and on a recent occasion Mrs. Olive Rand Clark read her valuable paper on Eliza Nelson Blair. At the January meeting of the present year, we were entertained by Dr. Joseph Harvey, who gave a charming description of his first trip to Jamaica.

At the January, 1906, meeting Mrs. Follansby of Exeter gave us a talk on her favorite theme of charities, and her further interest in our club was

shown by an invitation to her beautiful summer home at Hampton Beach.

The outings in June have been pleasant features. The first, under the direction of Mrs. Griffin, was to Frost's Hill in Eliot, Me., thence to Portsmouth Navy Yard, returning via Great Bay in a launch.

The second outing was to York Beach, stopping at the old jail to enjoy its rare collection of antiques. A fish dinner at the Algonquin and the ever-fascinating charms of old ocean made up a delightful day.

The program for 1906 was American History and Poets, and quite successfully carried out. For the present we have entered the realm of fiction and hope to have equally enjoy-



Miss Cassell Durell

able meetings. Lunch is served each time to enliven the social side.

A reading room was opened in "John Webster Hall" in February,

1907, supplied with magazines and papers, and members volunteered to serve as patronesses, and we hope to make this a permanent feature when a new heating plant is introduced into the building.

Three lectures with stereopticon were given by Professor Cross in 1906-'07, and a course of four delightful entertainments from the White Star Entertainment Bureau is now in progress—the object being to introduce a class of entertainments superior to those which usually come to our village.

With a membership of but twenty active members we realize that we are one of the small clubs of the Federation, but we believe our presence has been recognized as a social factor in our town at least. The officers for 1907-'08 are: President, Mrs. A. C. Haines; vice-president, Mrs. John H. Griffin; secretary, Miss Rena E. Young; treasurer, Mrs. Sarah E. Tasker; directors, Mrs. William H. Garner, Miss Lilian R. Smith, Miss Cassell Durell.

MRS A. C. HAINES

Mrs. A. C. Haines, now serving for the second term as the president of the Woman's Club, is a loyal daughter of the town, whose activities in connection with the Woman's Relief Corps and the Grange are well known. Patriotic and public-spirited to a degree, she has endeared herself to her associates in these orders. A fine parliamentarian, she presides over the affairs of the club with a quiet dignity, and gives to it her willing service and hearty support. It is, however, in her own home that she appears to best advantage, for here her charming hospitality and easy grace contribute to the comfort, happiness and hearty enjoyment of her most fortunate guest.

PERSONAL SKETCHES.

Again we deplore the lack of space which forbids the enumeration of the many inducements which Newmarket extends to the young man seeking to win position for himself or to create a home for his family, but since "All history is biography," and "The history of a nation is but a record of the lives of its men," the reader will find in the following brief sketches of her representative sons an account of what the town now is. One feature, however, we must briefly refer to, viz.: the public schools, which are of the best, in charge of earnest and most competent instructors.

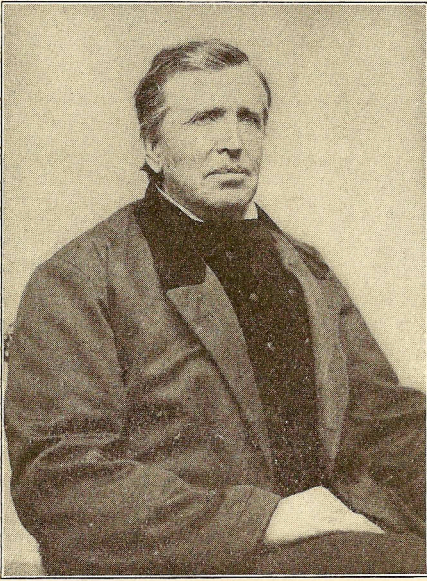
The High School has recently been reorganized under the act of '91 and is now second to none. The ambitious student can here fit for admission to our colleges without the inconvenience or expense of going elsewhere for a preparatory course. The town is fortunate in possessing among her sons the district supervisor of schools, Hon. Channing Folsom, former state superintendent of public instruction, whose life has been devoted to educational work. A sketch of his character and career, written by John B. Stevens, Jr., of Dover, with full page portrait, was published in the *GRANITE MONTHLY* for January, 1899.

Before passing to the personal sketches, the writer embraces this opportunity to tender most earnest and cordial thanks to all who have aided, encouraged or assisted in his labors, particularly to Dr. Greene, Mr. Tasker, Editor Pinkham, Mr. Hodgdon, Mr. Nestor Davis of Boston, and especially to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Haines, who have not only rendered timely and valuable assistance, but who generously opened their house to "the stranger within their gates," thus affording him a most cheerful and quiet work room and permitting him to enjoy with them the comforts of their charming home, and most especially am I indebted to Miss Helen C. Ben-

nett, who patiently and faithfully has served as my co-laborer, amanuensis and copyist.

JOHN S. BENNETT

One of the most familiar landmarks in the commercial history of the town, and one associated with the lives and activities of some of Newmarket's best citizenship, is the store at the corner of Main and Exeter streets, now occupied by Mr. John H. Griffin, who conducts therein a business of prac-



John S. Bennett

tically the same nature as has been carried on within its doors for a period of sixty years.

The tin and hardware business was first founded in Newmarket in 1843 by Mr. John S. Bennett, a man of remarkable ability and keen business foresight, who placed ideas of progression above those of personal gain, and whose influence and achievement along that line enlivened the town and were of great benefit to the community. Through Mr. Bennett's energies a trade was built up in the tin and hardware business, which, including an outside line of coal, wood

and lumber, amounted at one period to \$100,000 yearly. His first store was an unpretentious building which stood nearly opposite the present Masonic Block on Main Street, from which he removed, about 1847, to the more commodious quarters at the corner of Exeter Street.

In 1850 Mr. Bennett's brother, Edwin, was taken into the firm, and the business was then conducted under the name of J. S. and E. Bennett. Under this co-partnership the firm employed at one time between forty and fifty men.

In 1874 Mr. Bennett and his brother disposed of their interests in Newmarket and engaged in the iron foundry business at Lawrence, Mass., purchasing a two-thirds interest in the Merrimac foundry of that city. Mr. Bennett's career, however, was unfortunately cut short after his removal from Newmarket, for he died at Lawrence in 1876.

CHARLES FRANKLIN DAVIS

The purchasers of this business at the time of its relinquishment by the Bennett brothers were Napoleon B. Treadwell, later president of the Newmarket Savings Bank, and Charles F. Davis, who negotiated for the business in 1873 and consummated its purchase in 1874, thence conducting the same under the firm name of Treadwell & Davis. This partnership continued until the spring of 1878, when Mr. Davis was obliged to retire on account of ill health. His share in the concern was purchased by William T. Folsom, and the business was thence carried on under the firm name of Treadwell & Folsom, until its purchase in 1891 by its present owner, Mr. John H. Griffin.

Charles F. Davis was born in Barrington, N. H., December 21, 1831, and came to Newmarket in 1850, immediately engaging with Mr. Bennett, with whom he was constantly connected, with the exception of two years spent in California, until his



Charles Davis

purchase of the business with Mr. Treadwell in 1874. Aside from his business associations, Mr. Davis was an active and enthusiastic citizen and took a prominent part in the Democratic politics of the town. He held sundry minor offices, such as member of the school committee, captain of the fire company, chief engineer, policeman, etc. 1870 he was elected representative to the legislature and served a second term. He was a man of kindly temperament and genial disposition, and well liked by all who knew him. He was a member of the Masonic order and an Odd Fellow, and a charter member of Pioneer lodge, No. 1, K. of P.; also a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. After retiring from business he purchased a farm at North Epping, N. H., where he died July 24, 1878.

BENJAMIN F. HALEY

Another of the early enterprises which deserves a prominent place in the history of the town was the wholesale tailoring establishment of S. A. and B. F. Haley, who manufactured clothing extensively for many years and employed at one period 500 hands, manufacturing on an extensive scale band and military uniforms. This business was founded more than fifty years ago by Samuel A. Haley and his brother, Benjamin F., and was carried on under the firm name of S. A. and B. F. Haley. Shortly after the incorporation of the Newmarket Bank, the senior partner, Samuel A. Haley, became cashier of the bank and retired from the partnership, the business thereafter being conducted exclusively by his brother, Benjamin F. Haley. Mr. Haley enlarged the establishment, installed a custom tailoring department in addition to the already large manufacturing business and established a branch at Dover, in which he was very successful.

HON. WM. B. SMALL

William Bradbury Small was born in Limington, Maine, May 17, 1817, where he spent his early life in a Christian home, his father being an officer in the church, and his mother a devotedly religious woman. His youth gave unquestionable promise of that unwearied industry, indomitable energy and marked success which characterized his life in after years. When William was a young man his father moved to Ossipee, in this state; but, although the ample farm there was beautiful for situation and had many attractions, it did not satisfy his aspirations, and he left the plough and his home to reap the fruits of knowledge at the Effingham Academy. From the academy he went to Exeter, where he taught in one of the public schools, and pursued the study of law with Messrs. Bell and Tuck, until he was admitted to the bar. He then commenced the practice of law at Newmarket, where for nearly two-score years he uninterruptedly and successfully pursued his professional life.

He was honored by the citizens of this town as their representative in the state legislature, and was for many years a director of the Newmarket National Bank, and at the time of his death its president.

He was honored by the citizens of this senatorial district as their senator, and Dartmouth College conferred upon him the honorary degree of master of arts.

He was also honored with the position of county solicitor for a succession of years, which office he held at the time of his death. He was chosen by the citizens of the First Congressional District as their representative in the 43d Congress, in 1873, being the fourth resident of Newmarket to occupy the distinguished position, Rev. John Broadhead having served from 1829 to 1833, Dr. George W. Kittredge from 1853 to 1855, and Rev. James Pike from 1855 to 1859.

All these positions of trust and honor he filled with marked ability and distinction, having the entire confidence of his associates, adorning each office with his strict honesty, unyielding integrity, ceaseless industry, virtuous life, and faithful discharge of all the duties incumbent upon him.

SAMUEL HENRY GREENE, M. D.

The watchword of the hour is progress and with delight we note the ever-increasing speed of our development in every direction, and yet oftentimes it causes a sigh of regret or even a falling tear as we part with some of the good old ways.

"The Family Doctor" of our father's day was something more than a man, say rather an institution. To him we went, not alone with the story of our aches and pains, but with a recital of our aspirations, ambitions and all too often with our disappointments and heartaches. But whether bright with hope or heavy with the shadow of woe, we knew just what our reception would be at his hand. Wise counsel, sound advice and uplifting encouragement never failed us. He shared the sacred confidence of the community and never yet betrayed a trust. His ever ready sympathy, self-sacrificing fidelity and unflinching devotion through long months or even years of suffering we came to accept as the customary thing.

Day after day, in driving rains or drifting snows, we watched the passage of his faithful horse as he visited the homes of poverty and ministered to the sufferings of the sons and daughters of want and penury without fee or hope of earthly reward. Modest and retiring, forgetful of self, he sought to do good as he found opportunity.

Such a man is the subject of this sketch—Samuel Henry Greene—born in Newmarket, February 12, 1837, son of Simon Pelham and Sarah Augusta (Smith) Greene. His parents

removed to Boston in 1844, where his father became a member of the firm of Darrah, Morse & Co. He died August 1, 1849, aged forty-one years and was buried in the old cemetery. Then Mrs. Greene returned to Newmarket, where she resided until her death in 1862, aged fifty-two years.

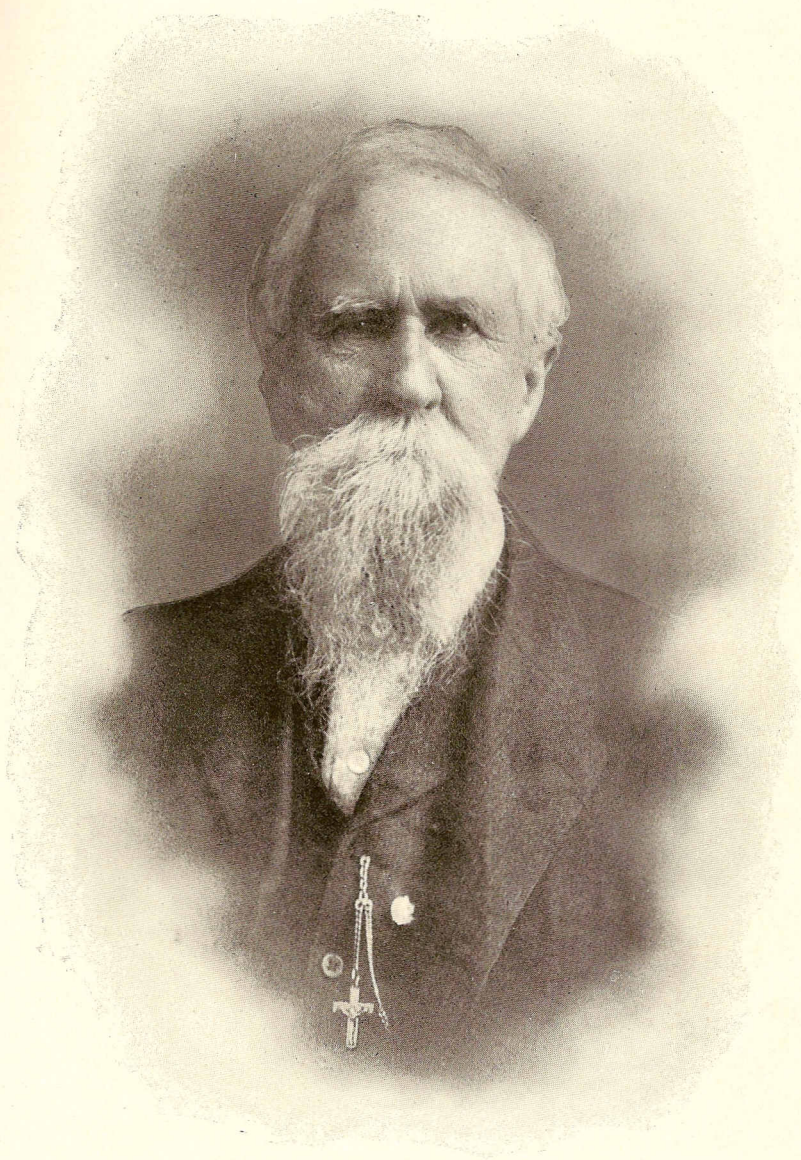
Doctor Greene attended school at Pittsfield, Gilmanton and Atkinson. After he left school, he spent about three years in travel in the Central States, then returning to Newmarket, he began the study of medicine, the practice of which has been his life work. He attended a course of lectures at Harvard in 1857, at Hanover in 1858, back to Harvard in 1859 and was there graduated in 1860, and immediately began practice in Durham, where he remained six years. He then purchased the practice of Dr. William Folsom of this town, where he has since remained.

A Republican in politics, he has served his town in various capacities, such as moderator, supervisor, member of the school board, board of health and coroner. For six consecutive years he was chairman of the board of selectmen, and during the administration of presidents Arthur and Harrison, he was the town's efficient postmaster, filling the office eight years.

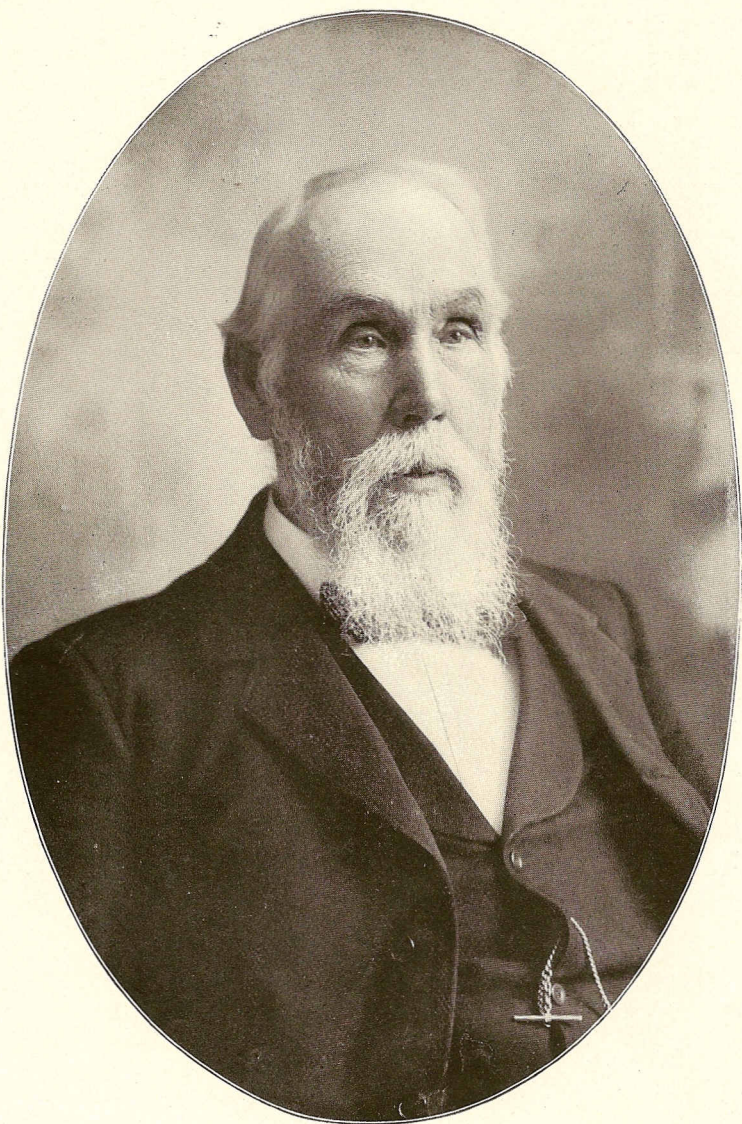
July 2, 1860, he married Mallie Ross Baker, daughter of Andrew and Mary Jane (Sawyer) Baker of this town. He has one son, Walter Bryant.

CHARLES E. TASKER

Few indeed are the communities in New Hampshire who cannot boast at least one citizen who bears the hall mark "Sterling." Are there burdens to be borne? Does duty call for some unselfish soul to serve without honor or reward? Is a subscription paper to be headed either for foreign or domestic missions? There is always *one man* on whom we depend, well knowing that he will not disappoint or



Dr. Samuel H. Greene



Charles E. Tasker

fail us, since he is always dependable. All this, and much more, may properly be said of Charles E. Tasker, born here November 29, 1833, son of Jewett and Louisa (Haskell) Tasker. As a lad he attended the public schools here and at Beverly, Mass., and at an early age began to assist his father, with whom he mastered the trade of carpenter and builder. For many years the father was the leader in this department of local development, a man of sterling worth, quiet and retiring, yet ever ready to advance the best interests of his town. Universally beloved and respected, he passed away in 1872.

The tales of fabulous wealth awaiting the man with courage to dare the hardships of California in early days fired the ambition of young Tasker and in 1858 we find him bidding adieu to the scenes of childhood and youth and joining the general exodus for "The Golden Gate." He reached San Francisco in August, but at once pressed on to Placerville, where for a short time he was engaged in mining. The mechanic arts appealed strongly to him and he secured employment as a pattern maker in a foundry, and, quick to appreciate the possibilities of the business, he purchased and successfully operated this plant for a period of three years, when, selling to advantage, he removed to Silver City, Nevada, where he started a similar enterprise, producing castings and machinery for quartz mills. This he continued until 1864, when he sold out his business and returned to Newmarket with the fruits of his labors.

He now purchased an established undertaking business. This he has constantly enlarged and improved, until today he is recognized as one of the leading undertakers and embalmers in the county of Rockingham.

A Democrat in politics, he has well and faithfully served his town in various official capacities, as treasurer, chairman of the board of select-

men, three years chairman of the school board and has twice ably represented the town in the legislature. Unselfish and patriotic, he always seeks the best interest and advancement of his town and state.

A member for many years of Rising Star Lodge, A. F. and A. M., he for five years filled its highest office in the East, is a member of Orphan Council, Belknap Chapter and St. Paul Commandery, all of Dover, and has also received the Scottish Rite degrees up to and including the 32d degree. He is also a charter member and past chancellor of Pioneer Lodge, No. 1, K. of P., an active pillar of the Congregational Church, to which he cheerfully renders most valuable service.

Mr. Tasker has been twice married: in 1861 to Georgiana, daughter of Rev. L. B. Tasker, by whom he has three children: Louisa, wife of W. T. Folsom of Fort Payne, Alabama, and Edward M. and Harry B. His second wife was Mrs. Helene H. (Payne) Mathes. His home on Exeter Street is noted for its cordial hospitality and good cheer where the latch string always hangs out. Long may he live to enjoy its quiet rest and peace.

HON. FRANK H. DURGIN

The most attractive, up-to-date business block, a modern, high-posted, three-story brick building, fronting Main St., is the home of the large and constantly increasing business carried on by the builder and owner of the block, Hon. Frank H. Durgin, a native of Lee, where, in 1863, he was born to Greenleaf and Mary A. (Jenkins) Durgin. He attended the public schools of his native town, and at the age of eighteen came here and with his brother, John W. (since deceased), purchased a small grocery store on the site of his present business. He has always been ambitious to excel and carries the largest and best stock in his line in Newmarket.

Newmarket on the Lamprey

Catering to the best trade, he has, by close application to business, coupled with fair treatment of all and business integrity of the highest type, succeeded in building up by far the largest business of its kind in this section of the county.

Affiliating with Pioneer Lodge, No.

Active in Masonry, he is the present junior deacon of his lodge, Rising Star. He is also affiliated with Orphan's Council, Belknap Chapter, and St. Paul Commandery K. T., all of Dover, and has received the Scottish Rite degrees up to and including the 32d degree. He is also noble



Hon. Frank H. Durgin

1, K. of P., at an early age, he has filled all its chairs and has served as D. D. G. C.

An active member of the Uniformed Rank, he for five years was captain in command of the local division, then promoted to the rank of lieutenant-colonel of the 1st N. H. Reg. U. R. K. P., he served eight years.

grand of Squamscott Lodge of Odd Fellows.

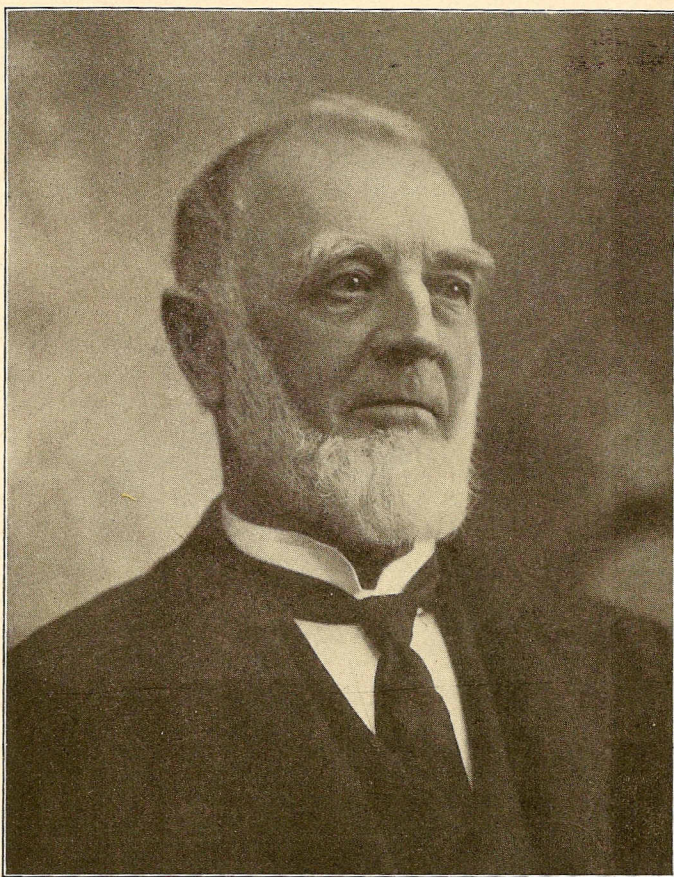
In politics a Republican, he has filled many offices of trust and responsibility with honor. Four years treasurer of the town, he is now serving his second term as chairman of the board of selectmen. In 1895 he was elected to the legislature, and in

1897, in a district strongly Democratic, he was honored with an election to the state senate. He is also vice-president of the Newmarket National Bank.

Miss Martha Slater of Attleboro, Mass., became his wife in 1888 and has borne him three sons, Robert G., J. Frank and Elmer S.

present owner, Harrison Gray, son of Jonathan and Sarah C. (Neal) Burley, was born here December 9, 1834, and has spent his life upon the farm. He was educated in the common school and at Blanchard Academy, Pembroke.

The farm, which includes something less than 200 acres, is in excellent con-



Harrison G. Burley

The old Burley homestead in Newmarket, four miles from the village, and about one mile from Littlefield's Crossing on the Concord & Portsmouth railroad, has been held in the family since its settlement in 1769 by Josiah Burley, a descendant of Giles Burley, who was a citizen of Ipswich, Mass., as early as 1648. The

dition, with good buildings, well arranged and all the necessary modern appliances.

Mr. Burley was married January 17, 1877, to Fannie E., daughter of Jewett Conner of Exeter. They have three children, Walter D., Lillian M., wife of Fred J. Durell, and Winifred Conner.

Mr. Burley is an earnest Democrat and has always taken a strong interest in public affairs. He has served several years as a member of the board of selectmen, as supervisor and as representative in the legislature in 1872 and 1873. He was also a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1902. He is a charter member of South Newmarket Grange, served three years as lecturer, one as overseer, and master two years. He is

CHARLES H. CHASE, D. D. S.

Newmarket possesses an up-to-date, thoroughly first-class doctor of dental surgery in the person of Charles Henry Chase, the son of Hiram and Clara (Philbrick) Chase of Stratham, where he first saw the light August 20, 1886. He attended the town school and the high school of Portsmouth and was graduated from the Philadelphia Dental College in 1892. The September next following he set-



Charles H. Chase, D. D. S.

also a member of East Rockingham Pomona Grange, and has been overseer of the same. His religious affiliation is with the Congregationalists.

For many years Mr. Burley has been interested in the Rockingham Fire Insurance Company, serving it in various capacities, and is now president of the organization.

tled in Newmarket and has now the patronage and confidence of the best citizens, who were not slow to recognize his skill as a dentist and his worth as a man. He is a charter member of Portsmouth Lodge, No. 97, B. P. O. E., which makes him one of the oldest of New Hampshire's Elks. He is also a member of Gamma Chapter Xi, Psi Phi.

A. B. CRAWFORD

The mass of clay by the roadside fills no important place in life, but the potter takes it and puts it upon his wheel and with a skilful touch here and there shapes and fashions it into a vessel of honor, fit to decorate the palace of a king. This illustration is often used and fittingly to emphasize the wonderful influence which the conscientious, earnest instructor

"Eastern" in the fullest sense of the word, his parentage having come from New York and New Hampshire.

His education was most thorough, for books are to him a pastime and a delight. He was graduated from Dartmouth in the class of 1876.

He possesses to a rare degree those qualities which characterize the successful teacher. With a heart in sympathy with his pupils, he preserves



A. B. Crawford

of our youth exercises in the shaping and developing of the minds placed in his care and under his direction.

Newmarket is indeed to be congratulated in the possession of one so fitted by natural ability and careful training to fill the position of instructor as A. B. Crawford, the principal of the high school. Although born in Michigan his ancestors are

his youth and youthful enthusiasm.

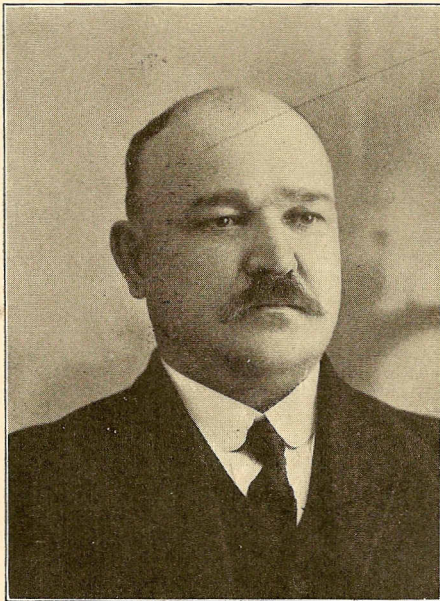
His familiarity with the classics and his knowledge thereof is remarkable and he excels as a mathematician and we repeat that Newmarket is indeed fortunate in being able to retain him in the position which he honors.

He is fortunate in his assistants, Miss Elsie P. Peabody of Danvers, a graduate of Mount Holyoke, and

Miss N. Spencer of the University of Kansas, now serving in that capacity; they show a great devotion and much interest in their work and their influence is uplifting.

LEON CAMARIE

During the last twenty years a great change has gradually taken place in the population of this, as in most other cotton manufacturing towns. Large numbers of French Ca-



Leon Camarie

nadians having settled among us with the idea of making this their permanent home, we deeply regret that we are unable to present to our readers a greater number of representatives of these industrious, public-spirited citizens. The junior member of the present board of selectmen, Leon, son of Pierre and Sara Nudo Camarie, was born at Lewiston, Maine, December 20, 1876. When but eight years old, the death of his father was the signal for the mother's return to Canada, but the boy's heart turned back to "the States" and, ambitious to make a beginning for himself, when

but eleven years of age he came to Newmarket, where he found employment as a "bobbin boy" and later learned to weave. In 1887 he removed to Lowell, where for fifteen years he worked in the cotton mill. In 1902 he again settled in Newmarket, this time to make it his home. He has charge of the mechanism of the looms in the Newmarket Manufacturing Company's works. He is a member and director of Lafayette Club, of the Foresters of America, of which he is also treasurer, and a member of the Fraternal Relief, and as noted was elected last year to the board of selectmen.

September 8, 1890, he married Olevena Dubav of Lowell, Mass. They have three children.

EDWIN SIBLEY CARPENTER

While many of the sons of the town have sought success in other fields, in answer to the law of constant change, boys from other localities have come here and won their successes, thus maintaining the equilibrium.

Edwin Sibley, son of Guy and Mary Ann (Kimball) Carpenter, was born in Hopkinton, N. H., December 15, 1856. He attended the common schools of his native town and at Weare, N. H., and until his majority assisted his father in the work of the farm. At the age of twenty-one he came to Newmarket and worked one year upon a farm, and three years driving a job team. He then accepted a position at Concord as foreman of a large farm, where he remained for seven years. His residence here had created a love for the town, to which he returned in 1888, and it has since been his home. With his brother he is now engaged in lumbering. In 1896 he formed a partnership with Geo. L. Chase of Newfields. The growth of the business has been steady and constant and last year was in excess of one hundred thousand dollars.

December 20, 1876, he married Har-

riett Frances Mudge, who bore him five sons and three daughters, all of whom are blessed with excellent health. Mrs. Carpenter died February 11, 1892.

Mr. Carpenter's second wife is Laura Belle, daughter of James Robert and Emma Frances Hendrick, of Deer Isle, Maine. Five children are

Early in life he joined the Free Baptist Church of his native town, which membership he still retains.

FRANK E. LANG.

Another trusted citizen who came to Newmarket and settled about the same time as Mr. Carpenter and who, though quiet and unobtrusive, has by



Edwin S. Carpenter

the fruit of this union, three of whom survive.

The character of Mr. Carpenter's life work makes such exacting demands upon his time and strength that he has been unable to serve his town to any great extent, although for eight years he made a most efficient road commissioner.

his public spirit and upright character won the respect and regard of the best citizens, is Frank Edward, son of Gilman Collins and Sarah Ann Lang. He was born at Candia Depot April 14, 1864. After attending the local schools, when but sixteen, he went to Amesbury, Mass., to learn the blacksmith's trade, and in 1884, when

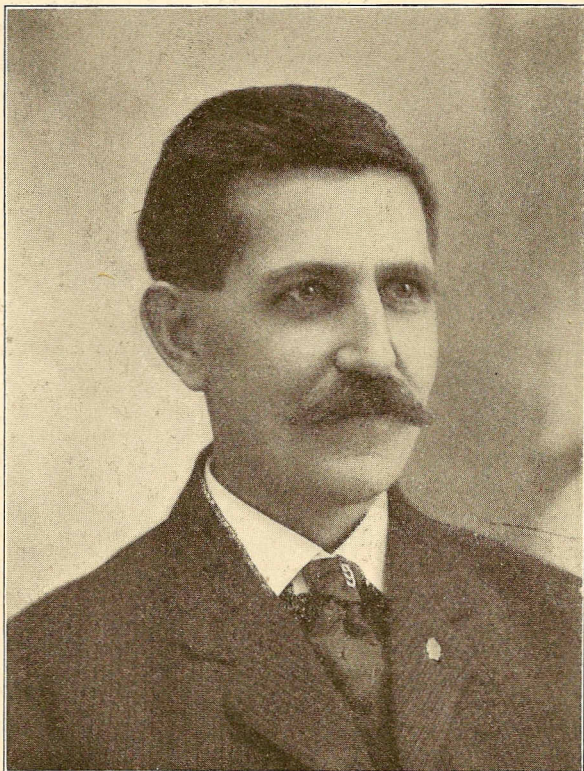
twenty years old, he came here and has since made Newmarket his home. He was first employed by Thomas Garland, and, after two years with him, purchased the shop and good will and, by his skill and industry, has built up the business, of which he is now the head.

He has been most active for the best interests of the community and town, but has not been anxious for his own

Maud E., daughter of A. W. and Francena Gray of Brownsville, Maine, and they have four children.

OLIVER P. SANBORN

As we have already noted, a balance of affairs is maintained by the exchange of residence, and still another adopted son of the town is O. P. Sanborn; but although a son by adoption, he is none the less a son in the



Frank E. Lang

official promotion. He has served upon the school and water boards, to be sure, but his best service has been in the background rather than in self seeking advancement.

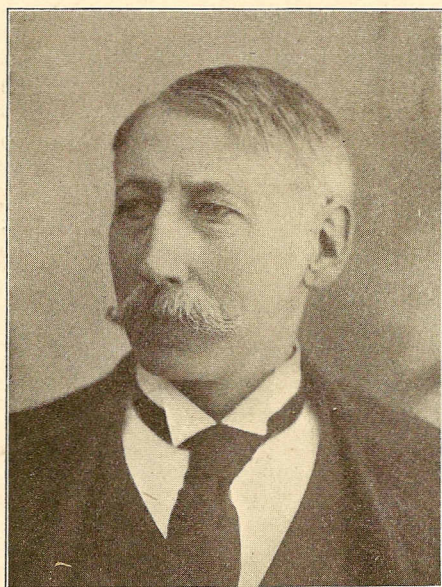
He is a charter member of John Hanson Camp, Sons of Veterans, past sachem of Pocassett Tribe, No. 45, I. O. R. M., and past noble grand of Swamscott Lodge, No. 18, I. O. O. F.

He married November 16, 1888,

in the fullest sense of the word, in all it implies of willingness to serve, or readiness to do for his home. Oliver Peabody, the son of Piper and Hannah (Meserve) Sanborn, was born in Franklin, August 5, 1849. He attended the district school as a boy, but his father dying when he was only eleven years old, the care and labor of the farm fell upon his tender shoulders when but fifteen years of age

(his older brothers having gone to the defense of their country's flag), but in spite of youth he made a success of the venture. He soon acquired a herd of cows and began the production of milk, retailing the same at Franklin village.

In 1883, for family reasons, he



Oliver P. Sanborn

moved to Newmarket, and for years had charge of the corporation farm, under Mr. A. J. Nichols, whose friendship then won, Mr. Sanborn still treasures as a precious heritage.

In 1890 he purchased the Gilman farm, which has since been his home. This property he has greatly improved; two streets have been surveyed and built through the same, and several lots sold for residences. Enough has been retained to make a first class, up to date farm. He keeps a small, but select, herd of grade cows, and still continues the business he learned as a boy, the production of milk.

A Republican in politics, he has been twice road agent and has served the town as selectman. He is past

chancellor of Pioneer Lodge, No. 1, K. P., and is an active member of Lamprey River Grange.

On January 24, 1875, he married Ella F., daughter of John F. and Sarah A. (Miles) Demeritt of this town.

STEPHEN HAMILTON DAVIS

Our readers will recall a few years ago the multiplicity of secret societies which sprang into existence. Among others that flourished for a brief day here was "The Sovereigns of Industry," some of whose members builded better than they realized in the organization of what has proved to be not only a successful but one of the most popular stores in the town.

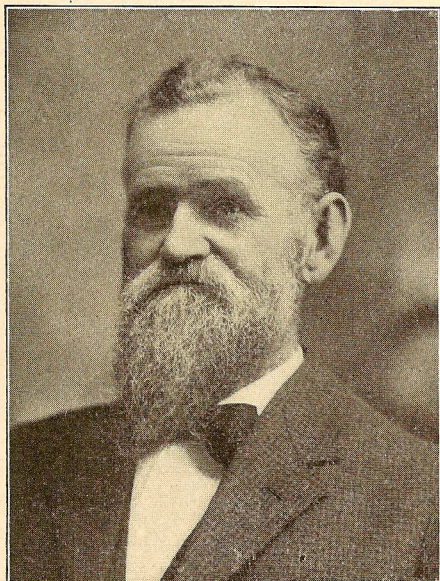
At the inception of the enterprise only members of the order were patrons, but as interest therein soon decreased, a stock company took over the store and has since continued the business. In August, 1878, Mr. Stephen H. Davis was installed as manager, and to his business ability, combined with his courteous attention to the needs of the humblest patron, the present success of the enterprise is very largely attributable.

Stephen Hamilton Davis is a native of Lee, where he first saw the light, April 15, 1842. His educational opportunities were decidedly limited, consisting as they did of attendance upon the district schools and a brief term at a private school. He remained with his parents until his twenty-second year, when he started in life for himself.

For a few years he tried his hand at various employments, none of which appealed to him especially, until at length he was employed as a clerk in a grocery store. Here he found congenial employment, and he determined to master every detail of the business. Possessing as he does managerial ability of high order, he was admirably qualified for the position, which since 1888 he has so ably filled.

A Republican in politics, the de-

mands of business upon his time and energies forbid his devoting either to political life, nevertheless his townsmen have made some demands he could not ignore and he has served them as selectman and three years upon the school board. He has been three times married, first to Fanny A.



Stephen H. Davis

Young, who died in September, 1873.

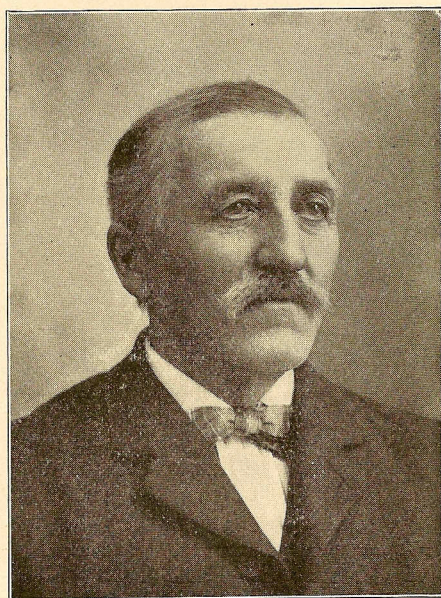
In November, 1875, he married Annie M. Sanborn of Exeter, who died July 6, 1893. She bore him two children, Sadie M. and Fannie A., both surviving. July 31, 1895, he married Carrie O. Chesley of Durham.

In this connection the writer desires to pay a tribute to the father of Mr. Davis. When a lad I well remember him as an honored visitor at my father's home. A farmer by occupation he early gave his heart to God and became deeply interested in those great questions involving our future state and condition. He became a close student of the Bible and but few men were his equal in quoting the precepts of that "Book of Books." At his own expense he went

about doing good and many owed their religious awakening to his faithful, earnest labors. Wier Davis died July 22, 1893. Of him well may it be said: "Though being dead he yet speaketh" and "His works do follow him."

IRVING T. GEORGE

The legal profession at one time, earlier in the town's history, had no less than seven representatives, and it is an eloquent commentary upon the peacefulness of the present generation that but two are now known to the town. Irving True, son of Henry Clinton and Elinor Lamb (Hinkson) George, was born in Canaan, N. H., June 27, 1854. There he attended the local school and the Union Academy,



Irving T. George

also Tilton Seminary and Kimball Union Academy at Meriden, where he fitted for Dartmouth.

He then entered the office of the late John Y. Mugridge of Concord, and studied law with him, and with George W. Murray at Canaan, and was admitted to the bar at Plymouth,

at the November term, 1877. The May following he moved to Newmarket, which has since been his home. His life has largely been devoted to the practice of his profession, but he takes a most active interest in school affairs and has been a member of the school board, here and in his native town, over nine years.

REV. GEORGE A. DEMERS

The affairs of the Catholic parish in Newmarket are at present under the care of Rev. Father George Arthur Demers, who was born at Levis, P. Q., February 10, 1876. His father was Edward and his mother Alma (Couture). The father was an



Rev. George A. Demers

In 1900 His Excellency Governor Jordan appointed him judge of the Police Court of Newmarket, which position he still holds.

He married Nellie, daughter of John and Bertha A. (Bruce) Palmer. They have five children living and one deceased.

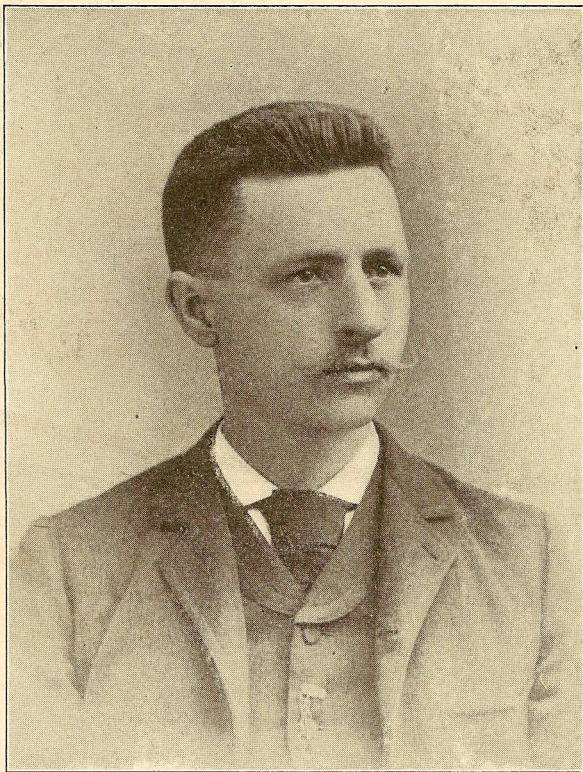
attorney-at-law, and his brother, Cleophas, is a priest, the beloved pastor of the church at Somersworth. Fond of his nephew (the subject of this sketch), he assumed the responsibility of his education and the youth was ordained from his church. He was educated at Levis College and the University of St. Joseph, N. B., and re-

ceived his theological training at the Grand Seminary of the Sulpicien Fathers at Montreal. He was ordained, December 20, 1901, by the late Bishop Bradley.

In May, 1907, he was assigned to this charge, and during his brief stay has succeeded in paying off every dollar of indebtedness, having raised something more than three thousand five hundred dollars for this purpose.

WALTER B. GREENE

Walter Bryant, only son of Samuel H. and Mallie R. (Baker) Greene, was born here November 9, 1861. He attended the local schools, including the high, and on the appointment of his father in 1883 to the postmastership of the town he became deputy postmaster and filled that post eight years. He filled several clerical po-



Walter Bryant Greene

Plans have been made and are now in the hands of the bishop and in the early spring work will begin upon a large convent which he will erect.

Something over six feet in height, Father Demers is blessed with a splendid physique and his frank, open countenance and ever genial courtesy win for him firm friends wherever his lot may be cast.

sitions in the town and learned the tailoring business with Benjamin F. Haley & Co., and in 1898 removed to Ashville, N. C., where he established the first ladies' tailoring business in that section. From its inception it has had a steady growth and he now has some thirty people in his employ.

He joined Rising Star Lodge, A. F. and A. M., soon after attaining his

majority, and after serving in most of the subordinate positions he was elected worshipful master. He is a member of Belknap Chapter and Orphan Council at Dover, and joined Cyrene Commandery, K. T., of Ashville, N. C., and at its first election thereafter he was unanimously elected as captain general and the succeeding year eminent commander.

June 8, 1884, he married Bertha B., daughter of John and Bertha Bruce of Newmarket.

JOHN H. GRIFFIN

John H. Griffin, was born in Dedham, Mass., in 1855, a son of James and Irene (McDaniel) Griffin. When but two and a half years old, his parents removed to Lee, and then to Madbury, N. H. His early education was acquired at East Kingston, but he later attended school at New Hampton and Dover.

At the age of twenty-three, the young man began his commercial training as clerk in a grocery store, which, three years after, he, with a partner, purchased; and, nine months later, he acquired the sole title and continued the business, single-handed, and with remarkable success.

Mr. Griffin purchased the business founded by John S. Bennett and has proved a worthy successor, possessing as he does very many of those sterling traits and characteristics essential to success.

A loyal Republican, in the spring of 1892 he was elected by a majority of over 100 to the office of selectman, notwithstanding the town for thirteen years had gone Democratic. So successful was his administration of this office that five years later his party nominated him to the legislature and he was elected by a large majority. In 1890 he was elected county commissioner. He served two terms and was chairman of the board.

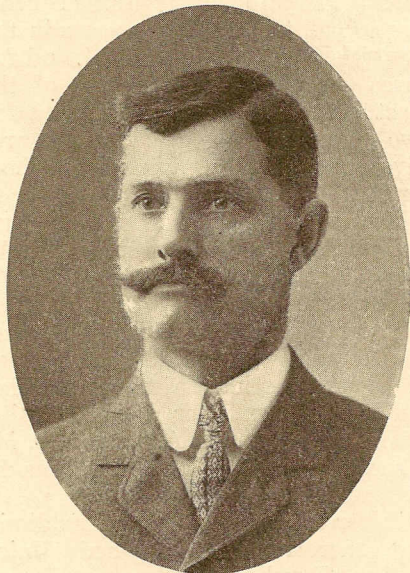
He is a member of the Grange and Mount Pleasant Lodge and Prescott Encampment, I. O. O. F., and of the

Rebekahs and past chancellor; also a member of Pioneer Lodge, No. 1, K. of P., and is also affiliated with the U. R. of that order, in which he ranks as first lieutenant.

October, 1888, Abbie G., daughter of James W. and Caroline (Goodwin) Bartlett of Eliot, Me., became his wife. They have three children: Caroline, J. Bartlett and Ione—a happy family indeed.

CHARLES C. HAINES

A Newmarket boy who has journeyed far upon the road which leads



Charles C. Haines

to success, and of whom the town is justly proud, is Charles C. Haines, the principal of the Lewis School (one of the largest in Boston), having under him forty-eight instructors and almost two thousand pupils. He is the son of Charles P. and Cornelia E. (Eastman) Haines, and was born here, April 15, 1861. He was educated in the public schools and at Bridgewater Normal School, and fitted for Dartmouth College. He commenced teaching in the district schools of Newmarket and Durham, and was principal of the grammar school of

Spencer, Mass., one term, going from there to Dover, as principal of the Sawyer Grammar School, which position he filled one year and next became principal of the Adams School of Quincy, Mass. Here he remained two years and was then elected sub-master of the Henry L. Pierce School of Boston, where he remained three years, until his election April 10, 1901, to the important post he now so ably fills.

Nor does this represent the sum of his activities in his chosen profession, for since his removal to Boston he has been principal of an evening elementary school, taught eleven years in the Central Evening High School, and for three summers was principal of the East Boston vacation school, and for two years was supervisor of lectures given under the auspices of the school board.

Socially his affiliations are many and varied. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum, Dorchester Lodge, I. O. O. F., Boston City Club, Dudley Club, the New Hampshire Club and the Newmarket Club of Boston. Soon after reaching his majority his father led him to the inner door of Rising Star Lodge, No. 47, A. F. and A. M., where he was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason.

After removing to Boston he dimitted therefrom and joined Union Lodge, Dorchester Chapter, Joseph Warren Commandery and Aleppo Temple, N. M. S. January 30, 1886, he married Abbie S. Ranson. They have one daughter, Marion E., now in Wellesley College.

GEORGE EDWARD HILTON

George Edward Hilton, son of John and Sally Hilton, was born in Lynn, Mass., June 13, 1841, and resides in the same house in which he was born. He received his education in the public schools of Lynn, graduating from its high school.

Mr. Hilton is a veteran of the Civil War, having served in 1862-'63 in

Co. I, Eighth Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers. Later, after returning from the field, he was elected and served as second lieutenant in Company I, Eighth Regiment.

Subsequent to 1866 he resided in Chicago for seventeen years, where he was engaged in the wholesale boot and shoe business. He lost everything in the great Chicago fire in 1871, but started in business again, which he continued with success until circumstances required his return to Lynn in 1884.

While in Chicago he joined the Masonic fraternity, affiliating with several bodies, in one of which, the Chicago Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, he continues to retain his membership. His lodge affiliation he limited, uniting with Mount Carmel Lodge of Lynn. He is also a member of Zebulon Council of Royal and Select Masters of Lynn.

In June, 1880, he was knighted in Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar, of Chicago, Ill., but on February 2, 1887, he dimitted to, and became a member of, Olivet Commandery of Lynn, which, in 1893 and 1894, honored him with the highest office within its gift, that of eminent commander. In 1901 the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Massachusetts and Rhode Island unanimously elected him grand commander, by which he received the title of Right Eminent Sir. His administration was most successful and he is held in high esteem by the Sir Knights of the grand jurisdiction. He is a life member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite and appendant orders of the Valley of Massachusetts.

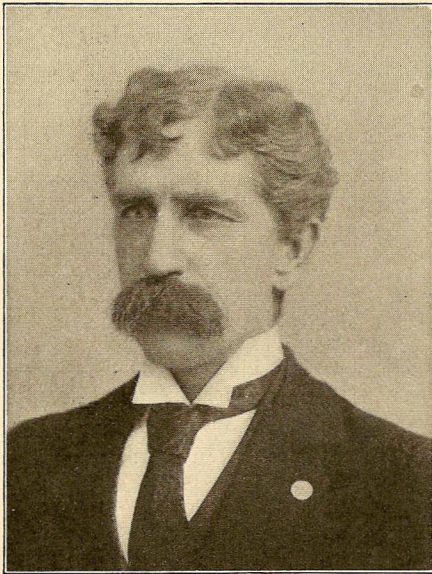
While prominent in Masonic affairs his interest is equally deep in military organizations, and he is a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston.

Possessed of a remarkably fine physique, his mind cultivated and refined, generous to a fault, loyal and

unselfishly devoted to his friends, he occupies a warm place in the hearts of all who are blessed with his acquaintance.

GEORGE O. HODGDON

Few, indeed, are better known in this vicinity than George Oliver, son of John William and Elizabeth Ann (Caswell) Hodgdon. From the day of his birth, July 21, 1852, he has been a resident of the town. His educational advantages were limited.



George O. Hodgdon

He attended the village schools and at the age of twelve years entered the mill, where for three years he was employed. He then began to learn the trade of a painter and paper hanger, which has been his life work.

A Democrat in politics, he has served his town in varied positions. In 1882 he was elected selectman, and served five years. In 1888 he was a representative in the legislature; in 1889 town treasurer and in 1890 tax collector, where he served five years. He served three years upon the school board; has been auditor, and at this writing is again tax collector.

Thirty-one years ago he became a member of Swamscott Lodge of Odd Fellows, and for six years held the office of noble grand. For ten years he was one of the trustees of the lodge and three years district deputy and is a member of the Rebekahs. He is also a member and past chancellor of Pioneer Lodge, K. of P., and is a past master of Rising Star Lodge, A. F. and A. M.

Practically all his life (for when but twelve years old he was chosen torch boy) he has been an active and most enthusiastic member of the fire department, and for thirty-eight years he has served as its most efficient clerk. He is an earnest member of the Baptist church, one of its trustees and for fifteen years has been its treasurer.

January 1, 1873, he married Eudora Ramsbottom of Rochester. They have had three children, Josephine, wife of Charles Sinclair of N. Y.; Elizabeth G., wife of Arthur Vennard of Portsmouth and George W., who died at the age of twenty-six.

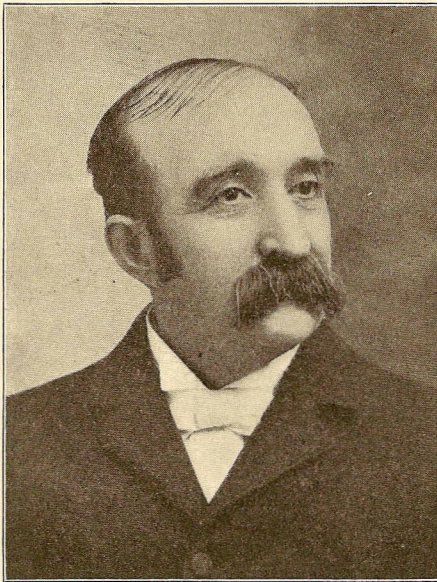
MATTHEW T. KENNEDY

One of the youngest representatives of the commercial life of the town is Matthew T., son of Thomas and Katherine Kennedy, born January 31, 1871. He attended the schools of the village and was graduated from the high school in the class of 1890. His natural inclination was to mercantile life, and before his graduation he had assisted in the store of Mr. Priest for about a year. After leaving school he was employed by W. W. Durrell, with whom he remained for nine years. In April, 1904, in company with Mr. W. P. Haley, he purchased the grocery store established by the late J. R. Saunders. After about two years he purchased his partner's interest and has since that time conducted the business alone. Its growth has been steady and last year the volume of business was in excess of \$20,000.

For two years he was chief engineer of the fire department, and was town clerk three years. He is a member of the Foresters of America.

GEORGE K. LEAVITT

"Honor and shame from no condition rise; act well your part—there all the honor lies," says Pope and the truth of this has never been questioned. While many of the sons of the town have been more prominently



George K. Leavitt

before the public, yet none are held in higher esteem nor have more or truer friends than George Kittredge, son of Nathan Holt and Betsey (Batchelder) Leavitt, who first saw the light December 20, 1850.

His father was for many years prominent in town and county affairs, having served as selectman, postmaster, sheriff and filled other positions of trust and responsibility. He kept a grocery store, and when George was but fourteen years of age he entered the same and began to learn the details of the business, which has been his life work. His educational ad-

vantages were limited. He attended the local schools until, as noted, at an early age he began to earn his own way in the world.

In 1872, in company with Edward Richardson, he purchased the business established by his father, in which he has continued. In 1878 that partnership was dissolved, and one year later A. J. Watterson associated with him and they today conduct the same.

Seeking no position for himself, he is always ready to do whatever he can for the advancement of the town's best interest and to contribute to every "good word and work." Quiet and unostentatious in manner, seeking not his own, but the best good of others, he commands the respect of the entire community and thus fills the measure of "An honest man, the noblest work of God."

He is a member and past chancellor of Pioneer Lodge, No. 1, K. of P., and of the Knights of Honor and of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

February 25, 1875, he married Josephine, daughter of Brackett and Susan Hayes. They have two daughters, Bessie and Alice.

DR. CHARLES A. MORSE

Still another of the adopted sons of the town who has been and still is both active and efficient in the affairs of his party (Democratic) as well as in public service is Charles Alfred Morse, who was graduated from the Dartmouth Medical School in November, 1881 (class of '82), and the second day of February, next following, came to this town, which has since been and doubtless will be his home until "life's poor play is o'er."

Possessed of an active temperament, a well stored mind, tireless energy, deep-seated convictions, with the happy faculty of convincing argument and ready expression, which oft times mounts on wings of eloquence, he naturally became a leader in local politics and is recognized by his opponents, as well as by his friends, as

a man of unusual capacity for leadership and "hard to beat," doubtless one reason for which being his resemblance to the Irishman, who "didn't know when he was licked."

During both terms of Cleveland's administration, he was the local postmaster. He was also superintendent of schools, representative in 1887, elected to the state senate for 1899, 1900; selectman for 1904-'05-'06, and for six years has been moderator. He has also been justice of the police court. He is past grand chancellor of the grand lodge, K. of P., New Hampshire, has filled all the offices of Pioneer Lodge, No. 1, is an active member of the Uniform Rank of the order and holds commission therein as colonel.

He is the son of Charles George and Lucy Jane (Calef) Morse, and was born in Salisbury, September 8, 1857. When he was but three years old his parents moved to Concord, where he was educated in the public schools and at the Penacook Normal School and Dartmouth Medical School, as we have seen.

On September 5, 1883, he married Annie E., daughter of William A. and Mary F. Sanders of Epsom. One daughter, Annie L., was born to them June 24, 1884. Mrs. Morse died in April, 1885, and on October 27, 1887, he married Gertrude M., daughter of David O. and Martha A. (DeMeritt) Davis of Durham, by whom he has two daughters, Alice Gertrude, born April 23, 1889, and Dorothea DeMeritt, born October 22, 1896.

ALVAH H. PLACE

Prominent among the business men of the town, one who is ever anxious for its best interests and advancement is Alvah H. Place, the leading druggist. He is a native of Strafford, where he was born in 1861. He is the son of Jonathan and Sarah (Waterhouse) Tuttle. His father was descended from one of the first settlers at Dover Point, and his family

is one of the oldest in the state. When but four years of age his mother was taken from him and his aunt, Mrs. Hannah Place of Milton, tenderly reared him as her own child, and he was universally known by the name of Place; and, on attaining his majority, he petitioned the court and legally adopted the name.

When but twelve years of age he returned to Strafford, where, for two years, he worked upon a farm, attending the district school in winter. Ambition for an education and in search of more favorable opportunities, two years later he went to Dover, and for three years was employed by Rev. Geo. B. Spaulding, and during a part of this time attended the Dover schools. The year after he left Mr. Spaulding was spent in the Cochecho Print Works; and in 1879 he entered the employ of Lothrop's & Pinkham, with whom he learned the drug business.

In 1882 he came to this town, and, after serving three years in the drug store of Dr. J. H. Twombly, in company with Charles E. Carter, he purchased the business, of which he is now the sole owner, and has very materially enlarged the same. Mr. Place is a Republican, active and earnest, seeking the best good of the party rather than personal position. For many years he has been a member of the Republican state committee. The demands of his constantly increasing business forbid his acceptance of official positions to any extent, but he has served as moderator, chairman of the water board, and, in 1897, represented the town in the legislature.

One local measure which owes its existence very largely to the efforts of Mr. Place deserves mention here. Politically the town is about evenly divided, and, as is too often the case under such conditions, for many years money has been freely used and much bitter partisanship resulted. Last year, however, an agreement was for-

mulated by Mr. Place and signed by the representatives of both parties "to suppress the illegal use of money or any form of bribery at elections." By its terms and conditions the offices are annually divided between the two parties. The plan works admirably and deserves to be followed by other close towns.

FRANK H. PINKHAM

In one feature that goes far toward promoting the best interests of any town, viz., the local paper, this village is fortunate, for in possessing the *Advertiser* it has not only an interesting and thoroughly reliable vehicle for the news of the hour, but also a champion which always stands for the



Alvah H. Place

Mr. Place is a director of the Newmarket National Bank; a member of Pioneer Lodge, No. 1, K. of P., and an active, earnest member of Rising Star Lodge, No. 47, A. F. and A. M., and is at this writing its efficient worshipful master.

S. Lizzie Palmer, daughter of John and Bertha A. Palmer of this town, became his wife in 1884. They have one daughter, Marguerite, and one son, Palmer.

cause of right and justice and which is first and foremost in advocating all measures calculated to advance or to improve the best interests of the town.

Frank Herbert Pinkham is not only the editor but the owner and originator of this wide-awake, progressive, up-to-date newspaper. He it was who published its first number, and, save for one brief interval, he has continuously published it ever since.

Of Newmarket parentage (although born in Maine, while his mother was visiting her parents), he is the son of Hollis Hamden and Abbie Meserve (Pinkham) Pinkham, his natal day being October 9, 1854. Here he attended the public schools and was for a time a pupil at Tilton Seminary. When but a youth of nineteen, he produced No. 1, Vol. 1, of "The Newmarket *Advertiser*," for his natural

natural that he should be much sought after to unite his influence and talents with those organizations which have become such an important factor in our social development. He is a member of the Knights of Honor, Pioneer Lodge, K. of P., Grange, Red Men, past warden and past supreme representative, N. E. O. of P., and has filled the highest office in Rising Star Lodge, A. F. and A. M. He has also



Frank H. Pinkham

bent and inclination led him to the selection of journalism, which has proven to be his life work. The growth and development of his paper has been neither startling nor sensational, but from the first its watchword has been progress and this has been its constant march.

Of an agreeable, companionable disposition and temperament, it was but

served his town in varied positions of trust and responsibility, having been treasurer of the school district twelve years and town treasurer eight years.

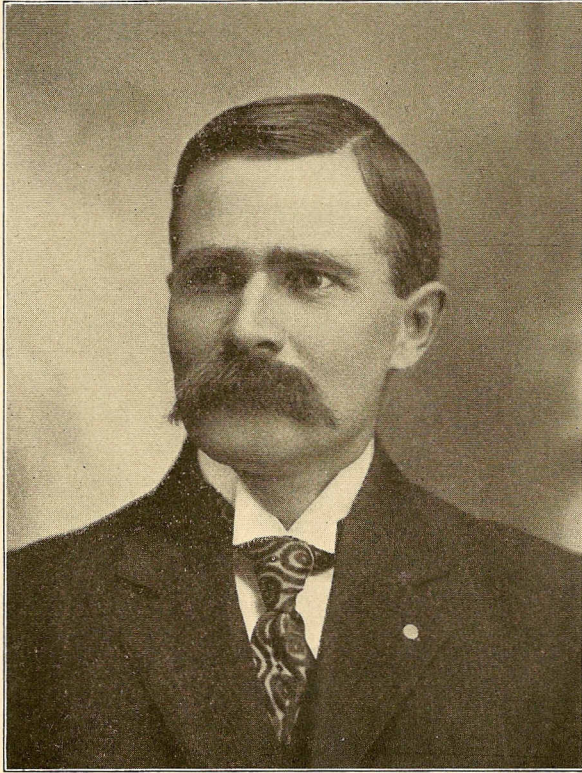
In April, 1875, he married Miss Marion L. Ritchie of Everett, Mass. He has two daughters, Bessie, wife of Clarence H. Neal, and Ada, who married Amsde Magnon.

ALBERT E. STEVENS

While the whirl of the wheels of industry always attracts the multitude and commercial life wins many devotees, yet the agriculturist is the only real producer of wealth, and our farms are the chief basis of our prosperity and development; and it is a hopeful indication for our future that young men, once so anxious to leave the farm are now beginning to

his home. His education was acquired at the village schools, including the high, and in his daily life he is not content to stand still but seeks constant advancement.

His farm is one of the largest and best managed in this vicinity. Here he keeps a herd of fine grade cows, averaging some thirty in number, the milk from which he sells directly to consumers here in the village. Exact-



Albert E. Stevens

turn back to the ancestral acres. The subject of this sketch is a progressive farmer, and one who commands the respect of all classes who recognize his upright and unimpeachable character. Albert Edgar, son of Charles Edwin and Abbie (Ham) Stevens, was born at Durham, November 5, 1872. When but two years old his parents moved to Newmarket, which has since been

ing as are his duties and labors, he has time to render faithful and effective service to his town. Four times he has served upon the board of selectmen, has been supervisor of the checklist and is now a representative in the legislature—an earnest, consistent Republican.

He is a member of Rising Star Lodge, No. 47, A. F. and A. M., and

its junior warden; he is also an active and useful member of Lamprey River Grange and has been master thereof three terms.

November 23, 1897, he married Mildred H., the daughter of Elijah H. and Leantha J. Wilson of Boston. They have one child, Mildred.

Although born in Durham, Mr. Stevens is a son of the town. His great grandfather, Nathaniel, settled

Street, we note the sign of Tasker and Chesley, funeral directors, and here two sons of Newmarket have established themselves in a business which bids fair, not only to provide the owners with a competence, but to reflect credit upon the town of their birth.

Harry Birnay, son of Charles E. and Georgianna J. Tasker, first saw the light June 17, 1870. Here his



Harry B. Tasker

on the farm where Mr. Stevens now resides, some time prior to 1800. He was prominent in town affairs, filled many local offices and was in the legislature. He died in 1865 and his son, Hale, purchased a farm in Durham, where his son, Charles, the father of Albert, was born.

TASKER AND CHESLEY

On leaving the depot at Dover, as we take our way through Third

childhood and youth were spent and here he was graduated from the high school in the class of '89. On leaving school he entered the employ of Treadwell & Folsom, with whom he remained until the sale of their business two years later, and was one year with their successor, Mr. John H. Griffin.

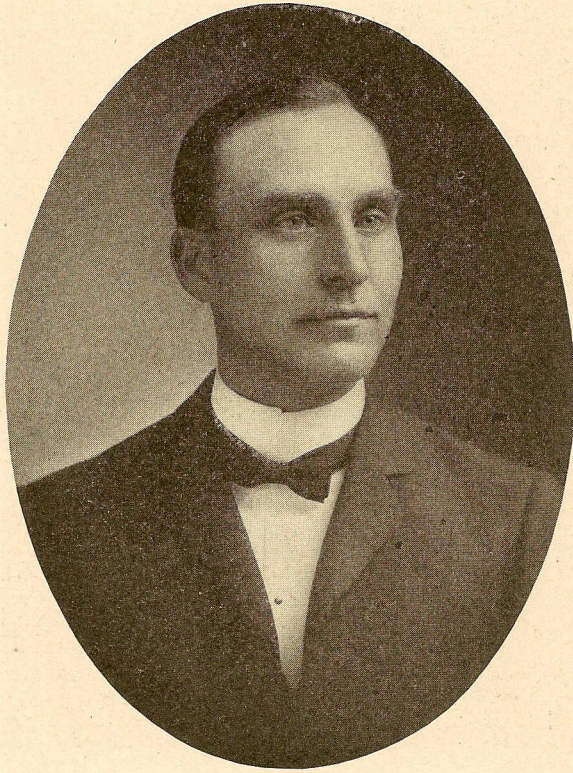
In 1892 he entered the employ of his father, with whom he mastered the details of the undertaking busi-

ness, including scientific embalming, and in July, 1897, with Mr. Chesley he removed to Dover, where they purchased an established undertaking business, under the firm name and style of Tasker and Chesley.

At an early age Mr. Tasker affiliated with Rising Star Lodge, A. F. and A. M., and filled most of its subordinate offices. In 1903 he was called to its highest position, that of worshipful master. He is also a mem-

Embalmers' Association has elected him to preside over its deliberations and he still serves as its president. On August 15, 1905, he married Nora E., daughter of Michel and Elizabeth Lee, of the township of Lee. Their residence is in Dover.

T. Jewett Chesley, of Tasker and Chesley, is a native of Minnesota, and was born at Hutchinson, June 11, 1869. His father was James E. and his mother. Frances A. Tasker, is a



T. Jewett Chesley

ber of Belknap Chapter, R. A. M., having served as high priest thereof, Orphans' Council, St. Paul's Commandery, K. T., and the New Hampshire Consistory A. A. S. R., together with Bektash Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of Pioneer Lodge, No. 1, K. of P., and Wecohamet Lodge, No. 3, I. O. O. F., and of Dover Lodge, No. 184, B. P. O. E. The New Hampshire Licensed

sister to Mr. Charles E. Tasker, and, at the death of her husband, when the boy was twelve years old, she returned to the town of her youth.

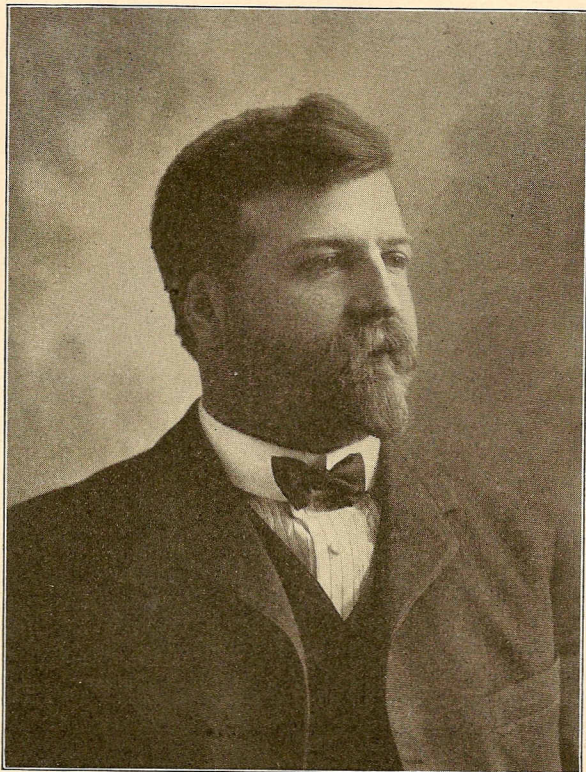
Jewett attended the high school and was graduated in the class of 1888, and afterwards attended the New Hampshire Institute one year. Returning to Newmarket, he entered the office of the *Advertiser*, and for the next five years devoted himself to

acquiring a thorough knowledge of the newspaper business. The work did not agree with him, however, and he gave it up and sought to regain his impaired strength and vitality and for the next two years attempted no business until he formed his present partnership, as heretofore noted.

The aim and ambition of these young men has been to excel and nature has done much to qualify each

Mr. Chesley was treasurer of the town of Newmarket two years and at the present time is grand treasurer of the Grand Commandery, Knights of Malta, the united grand jurisdiction of Maine and New Hampshire.

He is a charter member and the first commander of Valetta Commandery, K. of M., of Dover; is also a member of Dover Lodge, 184, B. P. O. E., and of Pioneer Lodge No. 1,



George H. Towle, M. D.

of them for the peculiarly trying features of their avocation. Possessing as they do an ever ready sympathy combined with rare executive ability and with a quiet dignified manner, it was but natural to expect the steady growth which from the first their business has experienced and which bids fair to become second to none in the city.

K. of P., of Newmarket. He preceded Mr. Tasker one year as worshipful master of Rising Star Lodge, having filled that exalted office in 1901-02.

DR. GEORGE H. TOWLE

George Henry Towle, Jr., son of the well known and successful physician of Deerfield, George Henry and Panthea Priscilla (Tucker) Towle, was

born at the old homestead August 7, 1872. He attended the village school and, later, Coe's Academy at Northwood, and then Tilton Seminary, and entered Dartmouth in the class of '97. After completing his studies there he attended one course of lectures at the medical school of Bowdoin College, at Brunswick, Maine, then entered the medical school of the University of Vermont, where he was graduated in 1900.

For two and one half years he assisted his father in his practice at Deerfield, but removed to Newmarket in November, 1903, since which time he has been most active, not alone in the practice of his profession, but has served the town in a variety of ways, as a member of the school board, supervisor of the check list, a member of the board of health, and is clerk of the board of selectmen. January 10, 1905, he married Miss Kate V., daughter of Charles and Kate Varney of Newmarket.

HARRY VARNEY

Another Newmarket boy who has elected to remain in his childhood's home, who by application and industry has won the respect of his townsmen, and who, step by step, is winning for himself business advancement and prosperity, and who has served and still continues to serve his town with credit and honor to himself and satisfaction to his constituents, is Harry, son of Charles and Luella (Clark) Varney, who here for the first time saw the light on the third day of November, 1873.

He attended the local schools and at an early age began to assist his father, who at that time had the largest retail meat business of the town, and here the youth Harry familiarized himself with all the details of the meat and provision business. In 1896 he established himself therein, and, from the very beginning, has prospered, as his constantly increasing business eloquently testifies.

In 1904 and 1905 the town called him to the office of selectman, and last year he was the choice of his party (the Democratic) as representative, a position which he still fills. He is very fond of all aquatic sports and his sixteen horse-power naphtha launch is the finest on the bay, at once the envy and admiration of all. He is an active member of the Portsmouth Yacht Club, the New England Order of Protection and of Pioneer



Harry Varney

Lodge, No. 1, K. of P. February 28, 1895, he married Annie, the daughter of Thomas and Anna Buckley of this town. They have three daughters.

JOHN WALKER

Since that morning, so far back in the dim and distant past, when Jacob bade farewell to the tents of Abraham which had sheltered and protected his youth, and with high hopes and fresh courage sought wife and fortune in Padan-aram, it has been the habit and custom of energetic youth to leave home and seek to win laurels among strangers. When.

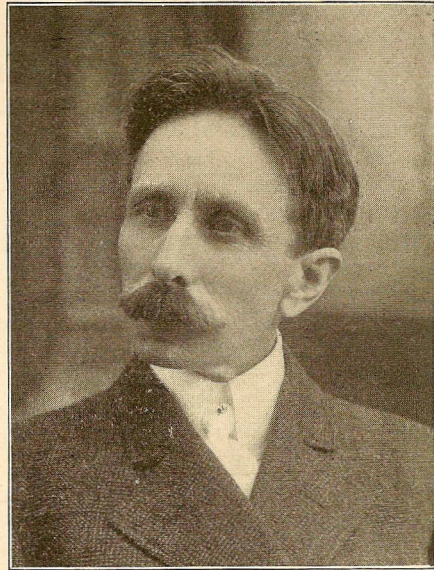
therefore, we find a man with the courage to woo the "fickle goddess" in his own home and among his own people, it is an occasion for congratulatory comment, the more especially if he "compels the fates to grant him his reward."

John, the son of George Frank and Alice (Brackett) Walker, was born, September 14, 1868. He attended the local schools and Phillips Exeter Academy in 1885 and 1886, and entered Dartmouth in the class of '91. From his junior year he entered the Thayer School of Civil Engineering, from which he was graduated in '93, and for the three years next following he engaged in engineering and contracting; from 1896 to 1900 he devoted his energies to contracting and lumbering. Since the birth of the present century his work has been wholly lumbering. He has in his employ some fifty men and the volume of business transacted by him last year was approximately one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Mr. Walker has been blessed by nature with a splendid physique, and, possesses a striking personality—something over six feet in height, with an eye which looks you squarely in the face—his manner is at once pleasing and deeply earnest, his energy seems practically inexhaustible and he conveys something of his indomitable spirit to his associates. His executive ability is second to none; he is recognized as a man of great worth, charming manner and tireless energy, and his townsmen hold him in highest appreciation and regard. He is a director of the Newmarket National Bank, and a member of Rising Star Lodge, No. 47, A. F. and A. M., Belknap Chapter, Orphans' Council and St. Paul's Commandery Knights Templar, and Bektash Temple, N. M. S. In December, 1895, he was married to Laura J., daughter of Plummer and Sarah J. (Dodge) Ladd, and they are blessed with six children.

FRANKLIN P. WHEELER

Those of our readers who have followed these pages have not failed to be impressed with the remarkably faithful and artistic portraiture which illustrates the same. Few towns of the size of Newmarket can boast the possession of an artist who can compete in excellence of work produced with Newmarket's photographer, Wheeler.



Frank P. Wheeler

Franklin Pierce, son of Lorenzo Dow and Sarah S. Wheeler, is a native of Hooksett, where he attended the village school. When he was twelve years of age his parents moved to Methuen, Mass., and the Fourth of July following, their buildings, with all that they contained, were destroyed by fire. As there was a large family, the boy, Frank, went to Atkinson to reside with his grandparents and here he attended the Atkinson Academy and assisted with the labors of the farm, until his twenty-second birthday.

There was within him, however, an ambition for something else. The

heavy labor of the farm did not satisfy his artistic aspiration, and so he left what for more than ten years had been to him a home, and, at Haverhill, Mass., began what has been his life's study—for he is not content to rest upon work accomplished, but daily seeks to win new victories. To him the study of the human face, the effect of light and shade and artistic posing possesses a peculiar fascination, and it is only natural that, with such ambitions, his work should excel.

ERASTUS EDWIN WINKLEY

Erastus Edwin Winkley, son of Charles Edwin and Elizabeth (Allen) Winkley, was born in Newmarket, March 29, 1866. As a lad he attended the Pine Hill district school, and later received instruction in the public schools of Newmarket. At the age of seventeen he entered the employ of the Swamscott Machine Company, at South Newmarket, to learn the pattern-maker's trade, remaining there one year, when he entered the employ of the Newmarket Manufacturing Company as boss of the woodshop, in which capacity he served one year.

With the money thus earned he took a special course in mechanical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which he graduated in May, 1888. He then entered the employ of the Thompson-Houston Electric Company of Lynn, Mass., as mechanical draftsman, soon afterward forming a partnership and establishing a shop in Lynn and carrying on the profession of mechanical engineer.

At this time Mr. Winkley began his career as an inventor. His first patented invention was a draft regulator for locomotives, which proved a financial failure. His next was an automatic leveling machine, which became a commercial success, was readily recognized as the best leveling device for Goodyear shoes and whose use is now world-wide. Mr. Winkley

is now developing an entire system of automatic machinery, which will probably be applied to all shoe machinery.

Mr. Winkley was married in August, 1892, to Lodema Colbath of Wynne, Maine, and has one child. He is a member of Rising Star Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Newmarket, also of Zebulon Council, Sutton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and of Oriental Commandery, Knights Templar; also a member of Aleppo Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Boston. In his social affiliations Mr. Winkley is a member and past vice-commodore of the Lynn Yacht Club, also a member of the Portsmouth, N. H., Yacht Club. Although active and energetic, he is also modest and domestic, and takes genuine enjoyment in his pleasant residence at Lynn.



Lieut.-Com. Edward H. Durell

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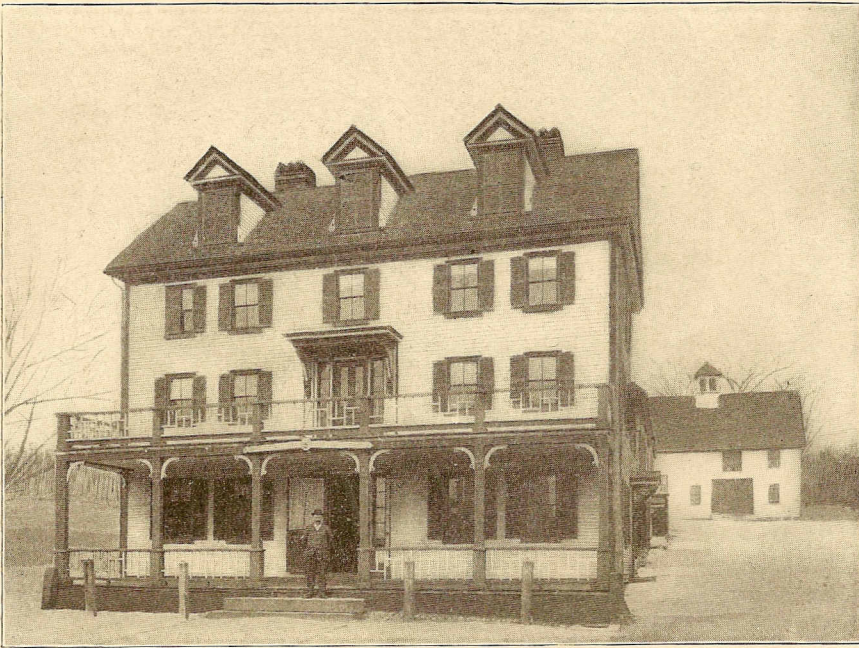
GEORGE H. WILLEY

No one feature of a town's equipment exerts a greater influence for good or bad than the hotel, for, in the ranks of that vast army of traveling men who cover the country from coast to coast, and from gulf to lake, there exists a sort of Freemasonry and with wonderful speed they "pass the word along" and woe betide that town which fails to provide adequate care for the "Knights of the Road."

variety, is prepared and placed upon the table with the attention to detail and delicacy of flavor of which any housewife might well be proud.

Since acquiring this property, in May, 1902, Mr. Willey has entirely remodeled and refurnished, regardless of expense, until today the "Hotel Willey" is a credit to Newmarket, as it would be to any town.

George Hamlin, son of Jonas Durgin and Abbie (Horn) Willey, was



Hotel Willey

Twenty-six years of the writer's life have been spent largely in hotels, and without exaggeration he can safely say in all that time he recalls not a single house that provides so many comforts (for the price paid) as are supplied by the "Hotel Willey." While the rooms are small, they are comfortably furnished, and absolute cleanliness prevails throughout the house, but it is at the table that "Mine Host" excels. Blessed with a remarkably good cook, the food, of which there is always a good

born on the home farm in Middleton, N. H., where his parents still reside, February 3, 1863. There he attended the local school until the age of seventeen, when he went to Farmington, and the two years following he was employed in a shoe factory. President Cleveland appointed him mail agent and for two and a half years he "ran" from Concord to Boston. After that he entered the employ of the Boston & Maine R. R., first as brakeman, later as conductor, which position he occupied seven years, and in Nov., 1894,

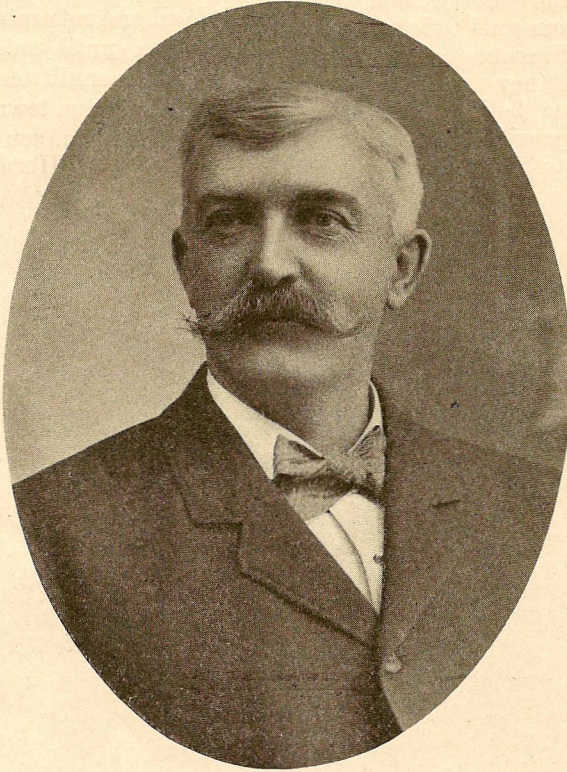
Newmarket on the Lamprey

he settled in Newmarket. For eight years he operated a local express till, as noted, he bought the hotel in 1902.

A Democrat in politics, Mr. Willey takes an active part in the local man-

November 29, 1894, he married Eva E., daughter of Jeremy O. and Martha Phelps Nute of Farmington.

Mrs. Willey's father was a prominent man in public affairs, having

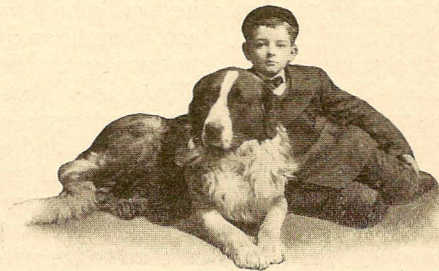


George H. Willey

agement of his party's affairs, although refusing to fill official positions himself, chairman of the board of water commissioners being his only office.

been railroad commissioner and president of the senate, while Mr. Willey is of direct descent from Benjamin Willey of Revolutionary fame.

They have one son, George Nute.



Lamprey River

By Lilian Ruth Smith

Oh, you may sing of the beautiful Rhine,
Or the palisaded Hudson River,
The glory of this or the other stream,
But I'll sing of the Lamprey forever.

Oh, wonderful falls and wide, deep streams,
And wooded rivers, old in story,
I know you all and know you well
Because I know the Lamprey's glory.

What songs it has sung of days gone by,
As it onward flowed to the sea,
And ever with cheer it urges us on
To high endeavor and victory.

Then sing if you will of your placid streams,
Or your mountain torrent, dashing ever;
I'll sing of this unfamed, dear home stream—
I'll sing of the Lamprey forever.

In Dreams

By Clara B. Heath

In my white-winged golden boat,
O'er the Dreamland seas I float;
Airy forms and faces fine
Come and go in shade and shine;
Human, half, and half divine;
Some like those we loved and lost,
Which our early pathway crossed.

Skies of deeper, clearer hue,
Fragrance which the world ne'er knew;
Airy vapors, fold on fold,
Flecked with light and fringed with gold;
Like the fabled fleece of old,
Stay us here, or waft us there,
Changing ever, fair to fair.

Light as air from foot to crown,
Nothing seems to weigh us down,
While the music of the spheres
Charms and charms again our ears,
Paradise! how near it seems
To the blessed Land of Dreams!