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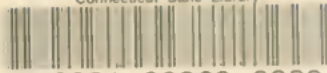
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MATTINGS,

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AETNA INSURANCE COMPANY,

OF HARTFORD, CONN.

INCORPORATED A. D. 1819.

LOSSES PAID IN SIXTY-FIVE YEARS,
\$56,000,000!

CASH CAPITAL,	\$4,000,000.00
Reserve for Re-Insurance, (Fire,)	1,682,252.86
“ “ “ (Inland,)	9,684.46
Reserve for Unpaid Losses, (Fire,)	166,252.75
“ “ “ (Inland,)	10,333.68
Other Claims,	54,662.20
Net Surplus,	3,269,457.85
TOTAL ASSETS,	\$9,192,643.80

LUCIUS J. HENDEE, President.

JOTHAM GOODNOW, Secretary.

WM. B. CLARK, Assistant Secretary.

WHAT THE NEWSPAPERS SAY OF THE AETNA.

From the Hartford Evening Post.

The Aetna Insurance Company.

The sixty-fifth annual statement of this ancient and staunch company presents an imposing array of significant figures, among which are the following:

Cash capital,	\$4,000,000
Total assets,	9,192,643
Net surplus,	3,269,458
Dividends paid in 1883	720,000
Increase of assets in 1883,	138,033
Increase of surplus in 1883,	70,256

The Aetna occupies a proud position among the fire companies of the world. It has paid during the sixty-five years of its existence, losses amounting to

\$56,000,000, and now has the largest capital, the largest assets, and the largest surplus of any company in America.

\$3,193,182 to \$3,269,458. In the past sixty-five years the Aetna has paid \$56,000,000 of losses.

From the Hartford Courant.

The Aetna Insurance Company.

The Aetna Insurance Company made its dividend at five per cent, thus dividing in all \$720,000 of profits for the year to stockholders. Besides this, it increased its assets, taken at market value, from \$9,054,611 in January, 1883, to \$9,192,643 in January 1884, a gain of \$138,032 in the face of the general shrinkage of Wall Street. The net surplus is increased \$70,256 from

From the Evening Times.

The Aetna Insurance Company.

The Aetna Fire Insurance Company, with its great capital and enormous business, has increased its assets \$138,000, and its surplus \$72,000 the past year. Its capital is \$4,000,000, its reserve \$1,682,252.86, and its net surplus \$3,269,457.85. It had made four dividends during the year—\$720,000 per cent paid, and has one of five per cent more.

1851. Phoenix Mutual 1884. LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,

OF HARTFORD, CONN.

Thirty-third ANNUAL STATEMENT, January 1, 1884.

ASSETS.

Loans on First Mortgages of Real Estate,	-	-	-	-	-	\$6,095,828.89
Premium Notes on Policies in force,	-	-	-	-	-	1,536,633.71
Real Estate owned by the Company,	-	-	-	-	-	1,344,282.21
United States Bonds,	-	-	-	-	-	219,381.25
City and Municipal and Railroad Bonds,	-	-	-	-	-	892,841.25
Bank Stocks,	-	-	-	-	-	153,638.00
Loan on Collateral,	-	-	-	-	-	2,000.00
Cash on hand and in Bank,	-	-	-	-	-	117,051.35

ADD:

						\$10,361,656.66
Market value of Stocks and Bonds over Cost,	-	-	-	-	\$89,003.00	
Interest accrued and due,	-	-	-	-	126,403.66	
Premiums in course of Collection,	-	-	-	-	10,519.51	
Deferred Semi-annual and Quarterly Premiums,	-	-	-	-	41,071.35	
						\$266,997.52

Gross Assets, January 1, 1884, \$10,628,654.18

LIABILITIES.

Reserve on Policies in force, at 4 per cent. interest (Connecticut and Massachusetts standard),	-	-	-	-	\$9,379,546.00
Claims by Death outstanding,	-	-	-	-	176,493.00
Premiums Paid in advance,	-	-	-	-	9,120.42
Loading on Outstanding and Deferred Premiums,	-	-	-	-	12,897.72
Contingent Reserve on Policy Account,	-	-	-	-	76,210.38
Special Reserve,	-	-	-	-	150,000.00
					\$9,804,267.52

Surplus at 4 per cent., \$824,386.66
Surplus at 4 1-2 per cent. (New York Standard), over \$1,430,000.00

THE PHOENIX MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY has paid for Death-Losses and Matured Endowments, Dividends, and Surrendered and Ceased Policies,

MORE THAN \$22,000,000.

Actual rate of Interest received on TOTAL ASSETS for past five years, OVER SIX PER CENT. EACH YEAR.

SPECIAL FEATURES.—Endowments at 80 at Life Rates,
Life, Endowment, and Annuity Policies (copyrighted), with valuable options at 65, and indorsed guaranteed cash values at stated periods.

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JOHN M. HOLCOMBE, Secretary Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Co.
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The PHŒNIX

INSURANCE COMPANY.

OF HARTFORD, CONN.

CAPITAL, -	-	-	-	-	-	\$2,000,000.00
Assets, January 1, 1884,	-	-	-	-	-	4,435,048.88
Total Losses Paid, -	-	-	-	-	-	17,695,723.26

SUMMARY from STATEMENT, January 1, 1884.

Cash Capital,	-	-	-	-	\$2,000,000.00
Reserve for unadjusted Losses,	-	-	-	-	215,589.71
Reserve for Re-insurance,	-	-	-	-	1,197,467.47
Net Surplus, -	-	-	-	-	1,021,991.70
Surplus as to Policy-Holders,	-	-	-	-	3,021,991.70

We invite attention to the above figures, as evidence of the protection afforded by a Policy in the PHŒNIX.

DIRECTORS.

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Paid Policy-Holders in 1883, - - - - - \$1,154,000

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Over \$3,700 a Day!

Paid Policy-Holders since 1864, - - - over \$9,250,000

ASSETS, - - - \$7,435,000

SURPLUS, - - - \$1,868,000

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RODNEY DENNIS,
SECRETARY.

JOHN E. MORRIS,
ASSISTANT SECY.

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SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT
OF THE
HARTFORD
Fire Insurance Company,
OF HARTFORD, CONN.

CAPITAL, \$1,250,000.

ABSTRACT OF STATEMENT. JANUARY 1, 1884.

ASSETS.

Cash on hand, in Bank, and Cash Items,	\$236,687.98
Cash in hands of Agents and in course of Transmission,	341,095.73
Rents and Accrued Interest	31,264.98
Real Estate Unincumbered,	664,675.60
Loans on Bond and Mortgage (not lien),	968,090.28
Loans on Collateral Security,	449,000.00
Bank Stock Hartford, Market Value,	379,321.00
" New York "	261,310.50
" Boston "	74,135.00
" Albany and Montreal, "	80,230.00
Railroad Stocks,	353,510.00
State City and Railroad Bonds,	466,425.00
United States Bonds,	235,493.75
	<u>\$4,541,239.82</u>

SUMMARY.

Capital,	\$1,250,000.00
Reserve for Re-insurance,	1,661,661.84
All Outstanding Claims,	295,982.07
Net Surplus Over All,	1,333,595.91
Surplus as to Policy-Holders,	2,583,595.91

GEORGE L. CHASE, President. C. B. WHITING, Secretary.

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OF HARTFORD, CONN.

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S. G. DUNHAM.

ASSETS, Jan. 1, 1884, \$29,080,555.99
LIABILITIES, { By Conn. and } 24,332,827.43
SURPLUS, { Mass. Stands., } 4,747,728.56
 " { By Connecticut and }
 " { Mass. Standards, } 4,747,728.56
 " { By New York }
 " { Standard, } - 6,200,000.00

**The ÆTNA LIFE has been tested with over
Thirty-four Years of Experience.**
**Its Receipts from Interest in 1883 more than
Paid its Death-losses and Expenses
of Management.**

THE ÆTNA'S INTEREST AND DEATH-LOSSES.

Receipts from interest in 1877,	\$1,527,307.70
Death-claims paid " "	1,121,083.96
Interest in excess of death-claims,	\$406,223.74
Receipts from interest in 1878,	\$1,617,764.91
Death-claims paid " "	1,091,268.63
Interest in excess of death-claims,	\$526,496.28
Receipts from interest in 1879,	\$1,856,710.46
Death-claims paid " "	1,376,527.43
Interest in excess of death-claims,	\$480,183.03
Receipts from interest in 1880,	\$1,586,683.06
Death-claims paid " "	1,136,454.63
Interest in excess of death-claims,	\$450,228.43
Receipts from interest in 1881,	\$1,456,664.71
Death-claims paid " "	1,231,680.36
Interest in excess of death-claims,	\$224,984.35
Receipts from interest in 1882,	\$1,553,349.90
Death-claims paid " "	1,145,015.85
Interest in excess of death-claims,	\$408,334.05
Receipts from interest in 1883,	\$1,767,098.17
Death-claims paid " "	1,254,872.70
Interest in excess of death-claims,	\$512,215.47

**The ÆTNA LIFE furnishes the best forms of
contract, and gives the best possible results under
them.**

**There is nothing valuable in LIFE INSURANCE
which the ÆTNA does not give.**

For further information address the Company, or any of
its Agents.

ÆTNA LIFE INSURANCE CO.,
HARTFORD, CONN.

What the Connecticut Press has to Say.

It has been a growing year for the ÆTNA LIFE. It is now one of the largest companies of Hartford, and stands among the strongest financial institutions of the country.
—*Hartford Courant*.

It is a very handsome showing of the financial condition of that company. The management of the ÆTNA has always been conservative and careful, and to day it ranks among the very best life insurance companies of the world.
—*Hartford Journal*.

The ÆTNA is as safe as any financial institution in the world can be. Such a company, if any, could afford to rest upon laurels already won, but these figures show how it has gained during the year just closed. Could any company desire a better record?—*Conn. Farmer*.

The success of this company has been wonderful, but well merited. Reliable management, honest dealings, fair and varied plans of policies have placed the ÆTNA in the front of all competing companies. This company is stronger to-day than at any time during its existence. The present officers, with Mayor Morgan G. Bulkeley as president, are a most efficient body of financiers.—*Conn. Catholic*.

In another column we print the annual statement of the ÆTNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, of this city. Figures are ordinarily rather dry reading; but in this case they represent the annual showing of what has been done by the strongest life insurance company in the world. Hartford people look with pride to the insurance interests of the city, and to none with more interest than the yearly statement of the ÆTNA LIFE.—*Hartford Globe*.

By sticking to sound principles of doing business this company (the ÆTNA LIFE) is enabled to report another year of prosperity. Its great agency business is carefully managed, and the company has no secret or patent way of attaining these remarkable results. Its methods are those adopted by every successful business man in the conduct of his own affairs—the application of common sense and common honesty to life insurance.—*Hartford Times*.

The past year has been one of the best in the history of the company. There have been large gains in membership, new business, premium and interest receipts, surplus, income and assets, and over two millions of gain for the twelve months in the amount of insurance. In a word, it has been a winning year for the ÆTNA LIFE. The company's standing has never been so high as it is to-day. Its investments are of the finest character that shrewdest judgment and foresight can arrange, and its interest receipts alone will more than pay the death-losses and expense of management of the company from year to year. The ÆTNA LIFE is one of the soundest and best managed insurance companies in the world.—*Hartford Post*.

This company (the ÆTNA LIFE) is one of the oldest in the country, and as regards strength ranks among the best. Their dealings have always been characterized as square and honest by all those who have ever had anything to do with them.—*New Haven Morning News*.

ÆTNA LIFE STATEMENT.—A company making such a show may well look into the future with every encouragement. The development of this solid concern is a history of substantial business methods, first-class financiering, and constant attention to the rights of their policy-holders.
—*New Haven Register*.

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1884.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

[WITH PORTRAITS]

OF THE

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We beg to call the attention of the Public to the regular Daily and Weekly issues of THE POST, as above indicated, and to remark that in everything that constitutes a first-class journal, THE POST intends always to be fully abreast of its contemporaries at home or abroad. Acquaintance with a newspaper must furnish the most satisfactory test of its excellence; and since familiarity with THE POST always impresses in its favor, we respectfully recommend it to the notice of any reader of this paragraph who may not already be included among its permanent patrons.

THE EVENING POST ANNUAL FOR 1884.

The publishers of THE POST experience great pleasure in presenting another volume of "THE EVENING POST ANNUAL," for 1884, issued in the same attractive style as preceding numbers which have proved so popular with the subjects of the sketches and the public generally. The great amount of information contained in these volumes concerning the distinguished gentlemen who compose the legislative and executive departments of the State government, with the portraits of so many, render this publication an increasingly valuable and interesting contribution to the literature of the State.

We take pleasure also in commending to the attention of the reader the commercial pages of this Annual, which partake of the same representative character as the body of the work itself. The corporations, firms, and business houses which have their announcements in these pages do not need our endorsement. They are as widely known as the State itself, and will be recognized as old acquaintances and valued friends by a great many among the thousands of readers under whose observation this volume will pass.

Since this Annual is to be reproduced yearly with every assembling of a new Legislature, it will doubtless be the wish of many to secure complete sets of the work from its beginning. We have a few copies yet on hand of the Annual for previous years, and can supply a limited demand for them in connection with the present issue.

EVENING POST ASSOCIATION,

25 ASYLUM STREET,

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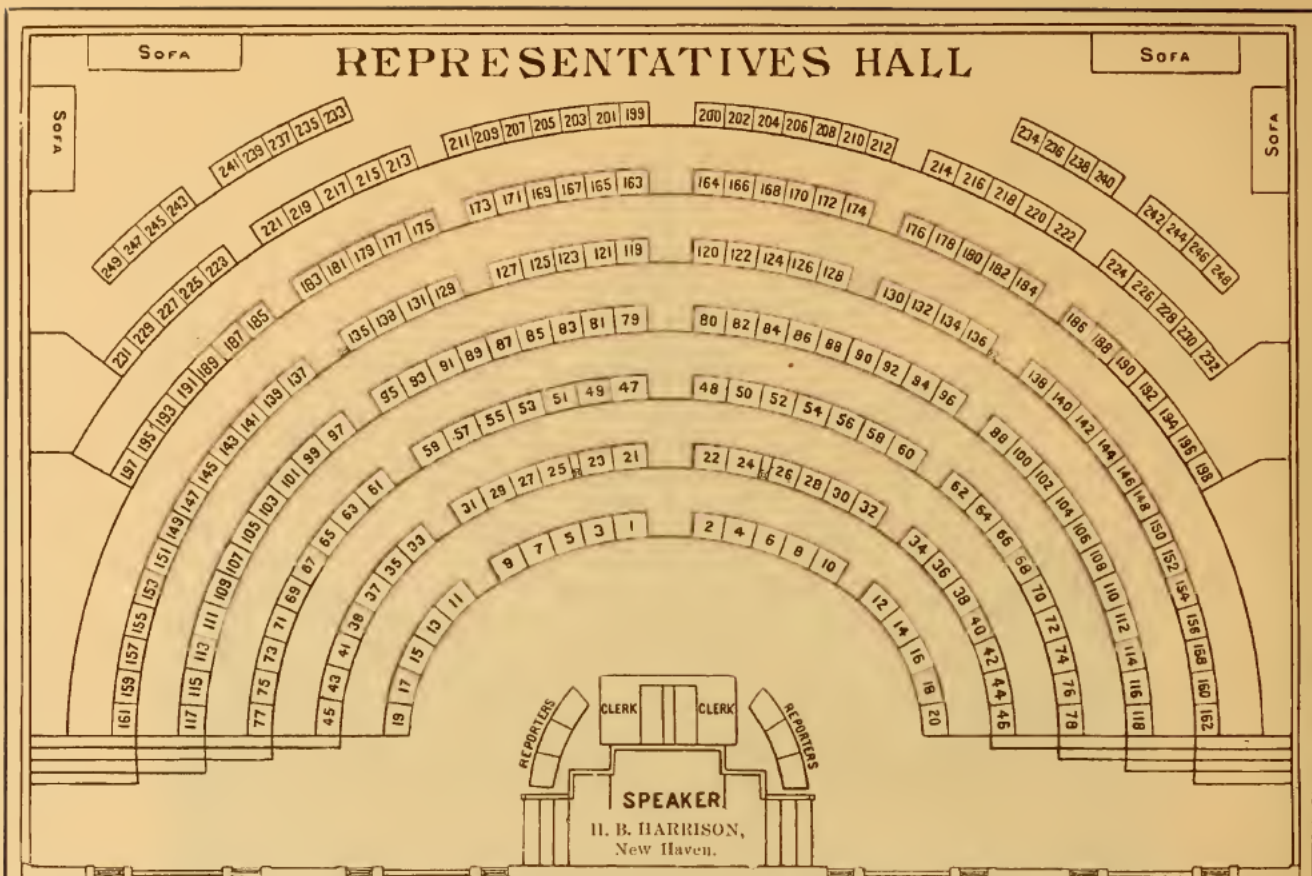
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HON. THOMAS M. WALLER,

GOVERNOR.

The career of the present Governor of this State is not an uncommon one in a country which affords ample opportunities for men of natural genius and honorable ambition to push their way in spite of many obstacles; but in the case of THOMAS M. WALLER there is something more of romance than is ordinarily furnished in the lives of many men who have attained merited distinction in public and business affairs. It is a matter of note that a majority of the Governors of this commonwealth have been the architects of their own fortunes. They have been "poor boys," and have encountered hard rows in the struggle which finally gave them personal and financial success.

Mr. Waller, now forty-four years of age, was born in New York. His parents were Thomas Christopher and Mary Armstrong. Both his

mother and his father, and his only brother, who was his junior, died before he was nine years old, and he found himself alone in a great city. Obtaining some assistance, he was able to buy newspapers to begin the life of a newsboy. Of his occupation then, the History of New London County, which contains sketches of the distinguished residents of that section, says: "For some months he carried papers in the lower parts of the city, finding his best customers in the Tammany Hall of those days, and more than one night, while he was following this life, he pilloved his head on the steps of the old Tribune building."

In a speech made during the last campaign in this State, in reply to personalities, Mr. Waller said that anybody who knows him will justify him in saying: "Since I was a newsboy in

New York many years ago—ever since I was selling *The Herald*, *The Tribune*, *The Sun*, and *The Morning Star*—up to the moment I accepted the nomination of governor of the great Democratic party of this commonwealth, I have been endeavoring in an honest way, by skilled labor and careful thought, to build for myself a reputation that I should not be ashamed of, and that five boys of mine should not be ashamed of either.”

He gave up selling papers to go to sea, and was employed on several fishing vessels as cabin-boy and cook's mate. until, in 1849, he had made arrangements to ship to California on the “*Mount Vernon*,” from New London. It was at this time that the late Robert K. Waller, of New London, found the lad, and, becoming interested in him, adopted him, and thereafter he assumed the name of Waller. He was treated with all the consideration of an own son, and in after years was able to show a son's kindness to those who had protected him. He attended the public schools of New London, and was graduated at the Bartlett High School with honors. In 1861 he was admitted to the bar, and very soon after entered as a private in the Second Regiment, Connecticut Volunteers, and was chosen fourth sergeant of Company E. He went to the front with the regiment, but was compelled, owing to a painful affliction of the eyes, to leave the service. Upon his return he entered actively into the practice of his profession, and from that day has successively filled honorable public positions, and continually become more and more favorably known to the people of the State. In 1867, 1868, 1872, and 1876 he was elected to the lower branch of the legislature from New London, and in the latter year was Speaker of the House, a position he filled with distinguished ability. In 1870 he was chosen Secretary of State on the Democratic ticket, headed by Governor English, and in that service made an honor-

able record. In 1873 he was elected Mayor of New London, and filled that office in a business-like and most acceptable manner for six years. In 1875 he was chosen by the Judges of the Supreme and Superior Courts to be State's Attorney for New London County, and up to the time of his election as Governor he held that position. Many important cases have been tried during his State's Attorneyship, including the celebrated Cobb-Bishop poisoning case at Norwich, and the Mary Stannard murder case—the latter being in New Haven County; but he was assigned by the Supreme Court to assist the State, owing to the disqualifications of the Attorney for that County.

Mr. Waller has been consistently a Democrat in politics, but has never possessed the least bigotry as a politician. He has been frankly independent on many occasions in conventions of his party, and in other places of partisan debate. As an orator he is impressive to a degree which, on occasions of party strife in important gatherings, has given him a magnetic hold of men, and no man of his party in the State has so often carried convictions by the power of eloquence, or any other influence. In personal manner Mr. Waller is a gentleman of many attractions. Pleasant and fluent in conversation, easy of approach, strong in his friendships, he is greatly loved by his friends, of whom he has multitudes, in all political parties and among all classes. He is married, and has six children—five of whom are boys. Tracy, the eldest, graduated from Yale in 1882.

As Governor of this commonwealth Mr. Waller commands the respect of the people by his unswerving devotion to all state and public interests. He is governed by the same high ambition which has animated him through life, to do well what he attempts to do, and to deserve the support and confidence of his fellow-citizens.



HON. GEORGE G. SUMNER,

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

The family of the Lieutenant-Governor of Connecticut lived, at the time of his birth, January 14, 1841, in the north part of the society of Gilead, in the town of Hebron. He was named after his mother's father, George Gleason, who lived near the Manchester line in Glastonbury. His grandfather on his father's side was Henry Peterson Sumner, a Methodist preacher in Gilead. When he was about six years of age, his father, John W. Sumner, moved to Collinsville, where the latter was superintendent in the axe-factory established by the Collinses, whose enterprise has resulted in the building up of a great manufacturing industry. In 1852 the family moved to Bolton, and has lived there since. George, the son, attended the district school, and when about fourteen years of age was sent to the Bartlett High School, at New London, where he studied for a year and a half, and there met for

the first time Thomas M. Waller, who was in the same school, laying foundations for the professional and public life which both he and Mr. Sumner subsequently entered. Before reaching the age of sixteen Mr. Sumner became the teacher of a district school in Andover, which he successfully conducted, and then went to Williston Seminary, at East Hampton, Mass., and fitted for college; but his purpose of obtaining a university education was defeated by impaired health, and with the good mental equipment which he had obtained he returned to the farm in Bolton, working in the summer time and teaching winters for about four years. During this period he was Town Clerk for three years, Probate Clerk, and Acting School Visitor. The kindness and favor of the people of Bolton in those years have often been the subject of Mr. Sumner's conversation with his friends, and he frequently expresses

his pleasure in renewing old associations there upon his repeated visits to his home. In 1864 he began the study of law with Hon. David S. Calhoun, the present Judge of the Hartford County Court of Common Pleas, then living in Manchester, and afterwards came to Hartford and entered the law office of Waldo & Hyde, and in 1866 was admitted to the bar. In 1867 he was elected a Representative in the Legislature from Bolton, and in the same year Mr. Waller was for the first time a member of the House. Mr. Sumner made a notable speech during the session in opposition to the bridging of the Connecticut river, which occasioned favorable comment among members, and special commendation in the Hartford papers. He was chiefly instrumental that year in securing the passage of the bill for a public act which gives the accused in a criminal trial the right to testify in his own behalf. In the same year Mr. Sumner established his residence in Hartford, and in 1868 was elected to the Board of Aldermen from the Fifth Ward, and served four years. He was City Attorney for one term, Associate Judge of the City Court, and Police Commissioner for three years, and Recorder of the City Court for four years. In these positions he served the public with zeal and fidelity, and there was a manifest appreciation of his work as a public servant when, in the third year of his membership, a Republican Common Council refused to accept his resignation, and increased the salary of his office as an inducement for him to remain. There was a marked improvement in the administration of the City Court under his direction, and the docket acquired an importance it had not possessed for years.

In 1873 and 1874 Mr. Sumner was Chairman of the Democratic State Committee, and proved his efficiency as a party manager by the results of his work. The State, for the first time in about twenty years, was carried by the Democrats, and possession of the Legislature was obtained by that party organization. In the fall of 1877 he was a candidate for the State Senate from the First District, and upon the face of the returns was elected and seated; but his opponent, Hon. John R. Hills, contested his seat, and was declared elected by the Legislature on a canvass of the votes. In the following spring he was nominated by the Democratic party as a candi-

date for Mayor, and elected. Mr. Sumner's administration of the Mayoralty was in the highest degree creditable. He displayed both independence and good judgment in his official acts, and citizens of both parties interested in having a prudent administration of affairs, commended the wisdom with which his executive powers were exercised. At the close of his term he made a tour of several months in England and on the Continent.

Mr. Sumner married, in 1870, Julia Ella Gallup, only daughter of the late Hon. David Gallup of Plainfield, who is well remembered throughout the State as a prominent Republican and leading citizen, having been Lieutenant-Governor, Speaker of the House, and often a member of the Legislature. There were two children by Mr. Sumner's marriage, but both died—a boy, when fourteen months old, and a daughter at a younger age. Mrs. Sumner died in 1875.

Mr. Sumner had been prominently named for the Democratic nomination for Governor at the last election; but he encouraged no active movement in his behalf, and cordially concurred in the nomination of Mr. Waller. By common consent he was named for the second place. The High School boys in New London in 1855, and the young legislators in 1867, had come together again, each in the pursuit of an honorable ambition. Mr. Sumner's vote in the two places where he is best known illustrated his popularity. He carried every ward in Hartford, and had a plurality of 1,574, and out of about 120 voters in all in the town of Bolton over 90 gave him their ballots.

Mr. Sumner is one of the rising men in his party in the State. He has, in every place of public trust, so justified the confidence of the people that his place in public affairs is the honorable reward of faithful service. Besides the integrity of his character, he is a man of most kindly disposition, of generous impulses, a true and manly friend, broad in his sympathies, and fair in his judgment. While consistently a party man, yet he is so broad in his views, and so tolerant of the convictions of those who entertain opposing opinions, that party lines furnish no measure of the esteem in which he is popularly held.



HON. DAVID WARD NORTHROP,

SECRETARY OF STATE.

Of Middletown, was born in the town of Sherman, Conn., February 19, 1844, and is of Scotch descent, the family being among the best citizens in the western part of the State. His grandfather, David Northrop, represented the town of Sherman in 1810, as a member of the House of Representatives, and his father, David Northrop, served in the same capacity in 1835, and was a leading man in the town for many years, holding many town offices, and was for several years judge of probate. On his maternal side the Secretary is a descendant from the Rogers family, straight down from the first martyr, John Rogers, in Queen Mary's reign. His grandmother, Lucretia Rogers, was a daughter of Capt. Edward Rogers, of Cornwall, an officer in the Revolutionary war, who afterwards was, for several sessions, a member of the Connecticut General Assembly. One of her brothers, Edward

Rogers, resided in Madison, N. Y., and was a prominent lawyer, a judge, and a member of Congress. Mr. Northrop's grandfather, John Ward, was an own cousin of the late Giles Welles, and was a man of great strength of character, and prominent in public affairs in his locality. He resided in Sheffield, Berkshire Co., Mass. Hon. Elisha Whittlesey, for many years a leading member of Congress from Ohio, was also a maternal relative.

Mr. Northrop spent his early life on a farm, and attended the district school. He prepared for college at Amenia Seminary, in Dutchess County, N. Y. After finishing his academic education, he entered Wesleyan University, in the class of '68, graduating with honors in that year. For a year after graduating, he taught languages in the Fort Edward Institute, N. Y. at the same time reading law. He then entered

the Albany Law School, and completed the course there in 1870. In the fall of 1870, he was admitted to the bar of this State in Middlesex County, settled down in Middletown, and has remained there ever since. In 1873, Mr. Northrop was elected judge of probate for the district of Middletown, and served in that position faithfully and honorably until 1881, receiving at each re-election a considerable number of Republican votes. In 1880, he declined to be a candidate for re-election. In 1871, Judge Northrop was elected to the General Assembly, was chairman of the School Fund committee, and served with credit to himself and his constituents. He was again elected in 1881, and was a member of the Judiciary committee, also of the committees on Engrossed Bills and State House Grounds. He was a member in 1882, served on the Judiciary committee, and proved a valuable member of it. He was also chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, doing much hard work in that position, and succeeded in securing the passage of a bill appointing a "*clerk of bills*," so that in future such hard work may not be imposed upon this committee. On the floor of the House, he was the recognized leader on the part of the Democrats, and well earned the title.

Locally, Mr. Northrop has been many times honored. He has been a member of the Common Council, member and secretary of the Board of Education of the City School district, town attorney, assistant clerk of courts for ten years, member of the Board of Trustees of Wesleyan University, and of its Executive committee; and at the municipal election in Middletown, in January of the present year, Mr. Northrop was elected mayor of that city. He was, for a number of years, a member of the Democratic State Central Committee, is a member of the Psi Upsilon Chapter, located in Middletown, and has continued his interest in the fraternity since he left college, rendering much assistance in the erection and maintenance of the elegant chapter house on Broad Street.

Mr. Northrop's advancement to office since he graduated from college in 1868 has been rapid, and shows the esteem in which he is held among all classes of citizens in the community where he resides. He has always been faithful to all his duties, and honest and honorable in their discharge. Judge Northrop is married, has three children, is a Democrat in politics, and has many friends who rejoice in his success.



HON. ALFRED R. GOODRICH,

TREASURER,

Is a direct descendant of Ensign William Goodrich, who, with his brother, John Goodrich, settled in Wethersfield about the year 1636. His grandfather, George Goodrich, served in the Revolutionary War, and after its close removed to the town of Gill, Mass., where he died at the advanced age of ninety-two years. A large family of children survived him, but his wife, Lucinda Wells, died in 1814. Alfred Goodrich, the father of Alfred R. Goodrich, was born in Gill in 1787, and occupied the old homestead, where he also reared a large family of children. He died in 1866, at the age of seventy-nine. His wife was Abigail Howland, daughter of Solomon Howland, Esq., of Greenfield, Mass. She died in 1821, leaving three sons, of whom the subject of the present sketch was the youngest. He was born at Gill, in 1818, and was educated at the Deerfield Academy. Subsequently he became an

associate teacher and principal in the institution. In 1843 he commenced the study of medicine under the instruction of the late Alden Skinner, M.D., and graduated in 1846 with distinction from the Berkshire Medical College. He practiced for some time in New York City, and remained there during the terrible epidemic of ship fever. Dr. Goodrich was himself prostrated by the disorder, but finally recovered from the attack. After his restoration to health he went to Vernon, and has since been engaged in his profession there, entering also into mercantile and manufacturing interests. In 1870 Dr. Goodrich was elected as the first Democratic Representative from his town, receiving, as he has invariably done when a candidate for public office, a very flattering vote from his political opponents. In 1871 he was the Democratic nominee for Congress in the First District, and came very near

securing his election. Dr. Goodrich was elected State Comptroller in 1873, and was re-elected for the three succeeding terms, discharging the duties of the office with fidelity and honor. He was successful in largely reducing the expenses of the State. Since 1874 he has been President of the Mutual Benefit Life Company of Hartford, which was chartered by the Legislature in 1869. Previous to 1874 he was Vice-President of the company. In 1879 Dr. Goodrich was elected Presi-

dent of the Connecticut State Medical Society, but he declined a re-election. He is also a member of the State Board of Agriculture. He is a director in the Rockville Savings Bank, and in the Hartford Spring and Axle Company. Dr. Goodrich married Charlotte Dobson, daughter of the late Hon. Peter Dobson, and founder of cotton manufacturing interests in Vernon. In politics Dr. Goodrich is a Democrat.



GEN. FRANK D. SLOAT,

COMPTROLLER.

GEN. FRANK D. SLOAT, of New Haven, State Comptroller, was born at Fishkill, N. Y., Sept. 28, 1835. His father was by occupation a farmer. The family moved to Putnam County, N. Y., when General Sloat was quite young, and there his boyhood life was spent, attending the district school winters and working for his father and others at farm work during the summer, until he was nearly seventeen years old, when he became a clerk in a country store. After a few years of clerkship, the latter portion of the time in New York City, he became identified with the New York Steam Heating Company as salesman. He continued in this position two years, and was then invited, in 1859, to become the manager of the company's manufactory, located at New Haven, Conn. He accepted the offer and was occupying the position when the war of the rebellion commenced. On the return of the New Haven Grays,

who were among the first to offer their services under the call of President Lincoln, for three-months men, General Sloat joined that company and became at once an active member. As the war progressed, and its magnitude began to dawn upon thoughtful men, he became more and more uneasy under his sense of patriotic duty, and in the early autumn of 1862 he enlisted in a company then recruiting for the 14th Regiment C. V. Being too late to enter that regiment, his company was assigned to the 27th Regiment C. V. At the election of company officers, General Sloat was made Second Lieutenant, and before leaving the post rendezvous for the seat of war, he was appointed First Lieutenant to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of that officer. The regiment left New Haven, October 22, 1862, and was engaged in the hottest part of the battle at Fredericksburg, December 13th, of the same

year. At the battle of Chancellorsville, eight companies of his regiment were captured, including his own Company A, of which he had been promoted to Captain. He and his comrades were sent to Libby Prison, and the earliest information his friends had of his fate was through the New Haven *Palladium*, of which he was a correspondent, in the following laconic dispatch which he sent to that paper: "We have met the enemy and we are theirs, and now are reveling in Libby's embrace." The term of service of the regiment having expired, it returned to New Haven, where General Sloat was offered the position of book-keeper and confidential secretary for Mr. C. S. Bushnell. His employer was a man possessed of large means, and engaged in numerous enterprises, requiring the use of many hundreds of thousand dollars annually. He gave General Sloat unlimited powers, so that in important negotiations and in the general conduct of the business he was intrusted with privileges nearly, if not quite, equal to his principal, a trust which he never abused, and was faithful and honest in his position. He was also while thus employed President of the Steam Heating Company, of whose works he was manager when he enlisted.

General Sloat, when absent from home in 1864, was nominated for the important office of town clerk of the town of New Haven by the Republicans. He returned just before the election and learned of his nomination. He declared his unwillingness to be a candidate for this office, or for any other. He was finally prevailed upon by his political friends not to decline, on the assurance that he was in no danger of being elected. He gave the matter no farther consideration, but much to his surprise and regret, and the surprise of his friends, he was elected. He appointed a competent assistant, he exercising a supervisory charge in connection with his other business. At the close of his term of office, he positively declined a renomination.

In 1867 C. S. Bushnell and other capitalists of New Haven asked General Sloat to go to Wisconsin and take charge of a large iron interest there which they controlled. He accepted, and remained in charge until 1870, a period of three years. The property, which had materially developed under his management, was then satis-

factorily disposed of, and he returned to New Haven. He was then offered and accepted the office of treasurer of the Victor Sewing Machine Company at Middletown, Conn. In 1873 he was elected president of the company as well as its treasurer, to which positions he has been annually re-elected ever since. With the exception of a year or two, General Sloat has resided in New Haven. The exception was a residence in Middletown, where he was elected a member of the Common Council of that city by a flattering majority, and in which city he has many warm-hearted friends.

General Sloat is a veteran Mason for one of his age, having been a member since his majority. He has occupied various offices in Masonic lodges. He is a prominent member of the Knights of Honor, and has been three times elected Grand Dictator of the Grand Lodge, the last time positively declining to serve. He has for two terms—four years—represented the Grand Jurisdiction of Connecticut in the Supreme Lodge, which is now become a notably able legislative body, largely composed of professional men from nearly every State in the Union. At the last session General Sloat was elected to the third chair in that body over two popular candidates, after he had declined to be a candidate for a higher office.

He is a prominent member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and there is no society of which he is a member that has a warmer place in his heart. In January, 1881, he was elected commander of Admiral Foote Post, G. A. R., of New Haven. Under his administration the Post has been brought from the sixth rank in membership to the first as compared with other Posts in this department, which shows his admirable executive abilities.

General Sloat has already had considerable experience in State affairs, having served on Governor Andrews' staff as Paymaster-General, and under Governor Bigelow as Quartermaster General, to which position he was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of General Harbison. His election as Comptroller was something unique in Connecticut politics, as he was the only Republican elected, all the other State Officers being Democrats. He had a majority of 782, and a plurality of 2,436.



Q. M. GEN. THOMAS M. MAHAN.



P. M. GEN. JAMES B. COIT.



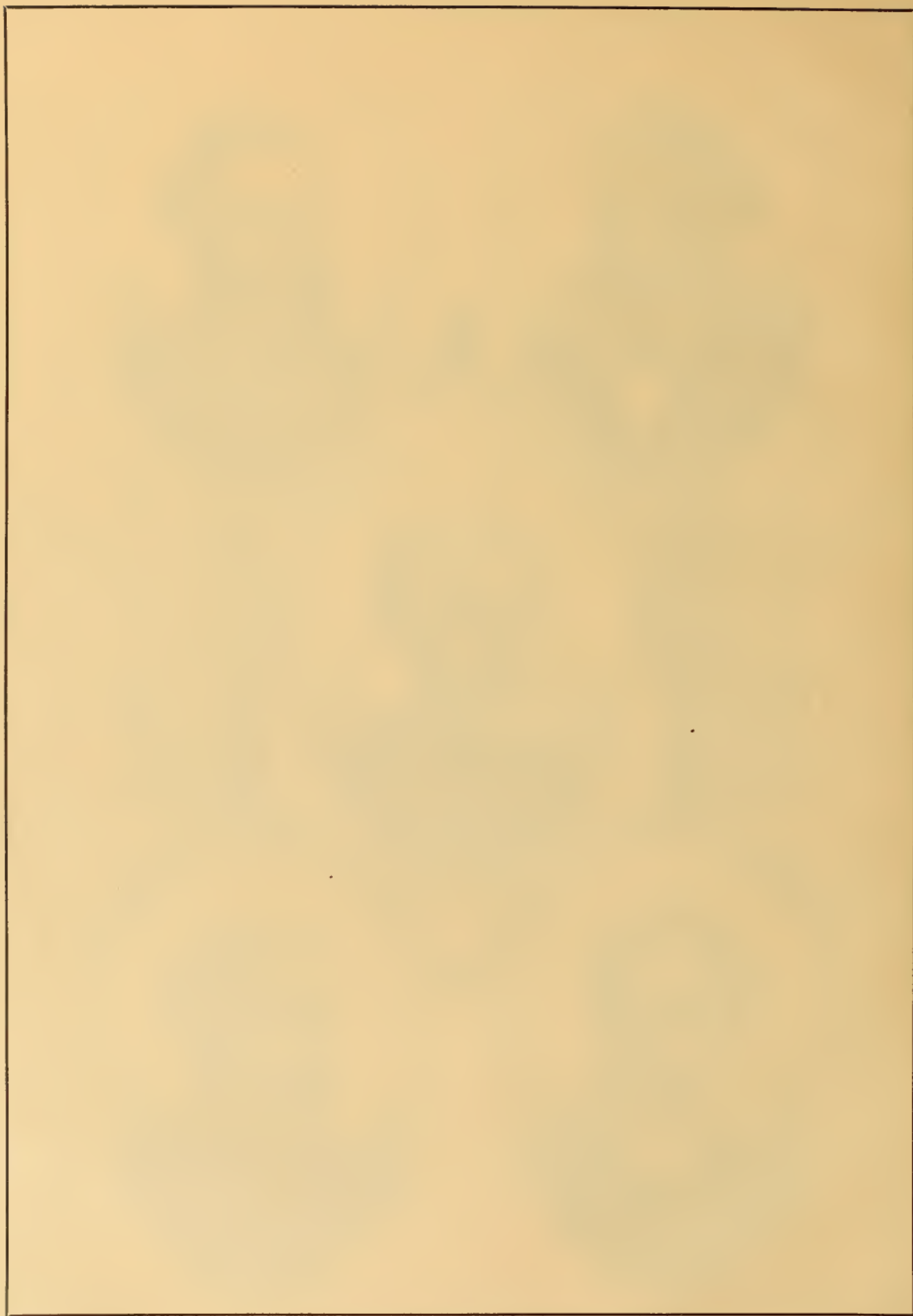
ADJ. GEN. DARIUS N. COUCH.



COM. GEN. FRANCIS A. MENDEN.



BRIG. GEN. EVELYN A. HALL.



GEN. DARIUS N. COUCH,

ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

Was born in Putnam County, New York, in 1822, and is now sixty-three years of age. In 1842 he entered the United States Military Academy at West Point, and graduated therefrom in the class of 1846. Among his classmates were Generals Grant, McClellan, Franklin, Reno, Hancock, Foster, Stoneman, Burnside, and others who served on the loyal side during the war of the rebellion, and, on the other side, Generals Stonewall Jackson, Hill, Pickett, and other commanders of note. Upon his graduation from West Point, General Couch was promoted to be brevet Second Lieutenant of the Fourth Regiment of Artillery. During the Mexican war he served in General Wool's army, and in February, 1847, was brevetted First Lieutenant for gallant conduct at the battle of Buena Vista. In 1848 he served in the central Mexican station, and during the next year he was engaged in the hostilities against the Seminole Indians. In 1850 he was on duty in New York harbor, and in the succeeding years, until 1855, in Fort Mifflin (Pa.), North Carolina, in the west, and in Mexico, whither he went on a scientific tour. In 1855, at Fort Leavenworth (Kansas), he resigned his commission, and came to New England, and engaged in manufacturing in Massachusetts.

When the war of the rebellion broke out, General Couch raised the Seventh Massachusetts regiment, was appointed its colonel, and took the command to Washington in July, 1861. He soon achieved distinction, and was appointed Brigadier-General May 17, 1861. As brigadier he served at the defenses of Washington until May, 1862, and commanded the First Division of the Fourth Army Corps in McClellan's Peninsular campaign. At the siege of Yorktown, which lasted from April 5 to May 4, 1862, he commanded the left of the line. On May 5 he engaged in the battle of Williamsburg, and made the successful reconnoissance which informed McClellan that the enemy had retired behind the Chickahominy. On May 31st he participated in the battle of Fair Oaks, and, on June 25th, in the battle of Oak Grove. At Malvern Hill, on July 1, he commanded the left of the army, on which the main attack of the enemy was made.

On July 4, 1862, General Couch was promoted to the rank of Major-General of Volun-

teers, and was in General Pope's retreat from Manassas, in northern Virginia. He engaged in the attack on Maryland Heights, at Harper's Ferry, September 17, 1862, and followed the retreat of Lee's forces from Antietam, on the 18th and 19th. In October he was placed in command of the Second Corps, at Harper's Ferry, and engaged in the march to Falmouth, Va., and the Rappahannock campaign in October and November. At the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, in December, 1862, and in May, 1863, he commanded the Second Corps, Army of the Potomac. From June 11, 1863, until December 1, 1864, he was in command of the department of the Susquehanna, being engaged in organizing the militia of Pennsylvania against the invasion of the enemy's forces under Lee. On December 15, 1864, he assaulted and successfully carried Hood's extreme left in the battle of Nashville. He was also engaged in the operations toward the close of the war in North Carolina, and effected a junction with Schofield in his march upon Kingston. At Malvern Hill, Chancellorsville, and Nashville, General Couch had horses shot under him, and he was wounded several times. Finally, on June 7, 1865, he resigned. On Forefathers' day, in the same year, he commanded the Massachusetts volunteers when they returned their regimental flags to the Governor of the State. In 1865 he was the Democratic candidate for Governor of Massachusetts. President Johnson appointed him Collector of the port of Boston in October, 1866, but he was not confirmed by the Senate. In 1871 he removed to Norwalk, and has since resided there. From 1876 to 1878 he served as Quartermaster-General on Governor Hubbard's staff, and in 1878 was a candidate for Presidential Elector on the Democratic ticket.

GEN. THOMAS M. MANUS,

QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

Of Hartford, is a prominent resident of that city, and has been in active political and military life since 1860. In that year he was appointed on the Board of Police Commissioners at Hartford, being one of the original members, and held the office through three terms. When the Twenty-fifth Connecticut regiment was organized in

1862, he received the appointment of Adjutant of the command. On the 20th of January, 1863, he was promoted to the rank of Major, and held that position till the close of the regiment's service. He studied law with the old firm of Eaton & Collier, and was admitted to the bar January 20, 1864. In 1866 and 1867 he was Judge of the Hartford City Court, and in 1875 and 1876 he occupied the Judgeship of the Court of Common Pleas for Hartford County. He was a member of the Court of Common Council of Hartford from 1865 to 1869 inclusive, serving for two years as Councilman, and one term as Alderman. During these years he represented the Sixth Ward. His career was one of honor and credit in all the positions which he occupied. In 1878 he was elected by the Democrats of Hartford as a member of the House of Representatives. Since that time he has held no political office in the city, but has devoted his attention entirely to his profession. He was appointed a member of the State Prison Board of Directors by Governor Andrews, and was reappointed by Governor Bigelow, and is now serving his second term on the Board. General McMann was born in Hartford, January 20, 1834. His parents removed here from the County of Fermanagh in Ireland in 1830, and settled at Hartford, where they resided permanently thereafter. Judge McMann commenced life as a joiner, and was employed in the car shops of the New York, New Haven & Hartford road before he commenced the study of law. At Port Hudson he had command of the Twenty-fifth regiment, and was a favorite officer. For several years back he has been a member of the Board of Examiners of the National Guard, and is a competent soldier and tactician. His appointment on Governor Waller's staff was not an undeserved compliment, and his selection for the place has been received with satisfaction throughout the State.

GEN. JAMES B. COIT,

PAYMASTER-GENERAL,

Of Norwich, is one of the New England family of that name which settled in Massachusetts in 1635, and in New London in 1650.

His father, Capt. William W. Coit, who was

born in New London, settled in Norwich in 1816, was a compeer of Com. Vanderbilt, and a pioneer in steamboat navigation on Long Island Sound. He was, during a long life, prominent in public improvements and in church and educational enterprises.

General Coit received his education in the public and private schools of Norwich, at the Canandaigua Academy, N. Y., and at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass. He read law in the offices of Judge Crowell and Hon. Henry B. Payne, at Cleveland, O., and was admitted to practice on attaining his majority, forming a partnership with the Hon. Frederick T. Wallace, the present City Solicitor of Cleveland. At the same time he was associated with the Hon. John R. French (since Member of Congress from North Carolina and Sergeant-at-arms U. S. Senate), in the editorship of the Cleveland Morning Leader.

In 1858 he removed to Nebraska Territory, and opened an office at Omaha. He took part in the first organization of the Republican party in that territory, and with Gen. Thayer, since a U. S. Senator from Nebraska, arranged for the first convention of the party at Plattsburgh, which was followed by the election of its nominee, Samuel Daly, Rep. delegate to Congress. It was during his residence at Omaha that gold was discovered at Pike's Peak, Colorado, and he was associated with William N. Byers in raising the funds to establish the pioneer paper of the Rocky Mountains, "The Rocky Mountain News," which is still published at Denver. Gen. Coit was one of the founders of the present prosperous town of North Bend, Neb.

While east in 1861, at the breaking out of the civil war, at a total sacrifice of all his western interests, he recruited the first company in Norwich, which was assigned to Col. Terry's Second Regiment, enlisting and serving in the same as a private soldier. At the battle of Bull Run, for gallantry on the field, he was promoted to be Sergeant-Major of the Regiment.

At the expiration of his term of service, he recruited and placed in camp the first company for the 14th Conn. Vols. He was commissioned First Lieutenant Aug. 18, '62, and went into service commanding "K" Company. He was promoted to be Captain Dec. 20, 1862, and Major Oct. 3, '63, and was often in command of

the "fighting 14th," of the Army of the Potomac, during which service he was severely wounded at Antietam, Gettysburg, Morton's Ford, Wilderness, Deep Bottom, and Petersburg, receiving six bullet and two shell wounds. He was commissioned by the President, the Senate confirming, to date from March 13, 1865, Brevet-Lieut.-Col., Col., and Brig.-General, for gallant and meritorious services at Antietam, Gettysburg, and the Wilderness.

In 1865, he opened an office at Washington, D. C., and built up a large and lucrative practice, making a specialty of cases before the government departments. The Hon. James W. McDill, since U. S. Senator from Iowa, was a member of the same firm. Subsequently he removed his office to his native city.

While in Washington he was tendered the postmastership of Norwich, by President Johnson, which appointment he declined in favor of a wounded soldier.

Differing from the Republican party on the question of the reconstruction of the Southern States, Gen. Coit became a Democrat, and as such has often represented his party in State, and three times in National Conventions. He was president of the State Soldiers' Convention in New Haven in 1868, and chairman of its delegation to the National Soldiers' Convention in New York City. He has been his party's nominee for both branches of the State Legislature, and in the Fall of '82, came within a few votes of receiving the nomination for Congress in the 3d district, being only defeated by the argument of locality.

He was appointed Assistant Adjutant General of Conn., on the staff of Gov. English, Aug. 3, 1868. In 1870, he was the first judge chosen by the Legislature, of the Norwich Police Court, and in 1874 the first judge of the Norwich City Court, at that time a Court with original criminal jurisdiction, and a civil jurisdiction the same as the Court of Common Pleas.

General Coit was one of the founders of "The Society of the Army of the Potomac," and "The Society of the Second Army Corps," and is an active member of the Grand Army. He is widely known as an eloquent speaker and a ready writer. He has a wife and four children, and is an Episcopalian.

GEN. FRANCIS A. MARDEN.

COMMISSARY-GENERAL.

Was born at West Windham, N. H., January 19, 1840, attended the common school, and was fitted for college at Phillips's Exeter and Andover Academy; after which he entered Harvard University, and was graduated in 1863, taking the degree of M. A. in 1865. He taught school at Stamford, Conn., from 1863 to 1864, and studied law at Harvard law school 1864 to 1865, and in October, 1865, was admitted to the bar in New York city. In 1866 he was married in Stamford, since which time he has been a resident of Stamford, practicing his profession in New York city. He has been a delegate at almost every Democratic State Convention, from 1867 to 1882, having presided on two occasions as permanent chairman, and in 1882 was at earnest advocate of the nomination of Governor Waller. He was delegate to the National Democratic Convention at Baltimore in 1872, and spoke throughout the State in the Presidential campaign of 1876. He is a member of Union Lodge No. 5, F. & A. M., Ritterhouse Chapter No. 11, Royal Arch Masons, Washington Council, and Clinton Commandery. He has been Judge of Probate in the district of Stamford, is at present and has several times been a Burgess of the borough of Stamford, six years member of the School Committee, was a Representative in the Assembly in 1876, and was a member of the Judiciary Committee and House Chairman of the Committee on Federal Relations, again a member in 1878, and was on the Committee on Insurance. At college he was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa and president of Harvard Society of Natural History.

GEN. EVELYN L. BISSILL.

SCHOOL-CONDUCTOR.

Son of Major Lyman Bissill, U. S. A., was born in Litchfield, September 10, 1880. He greatly enjoyed military studies, and undistinguished for that West Point Academy as a cadet, but was found lacking in physical requirements. He was afterwards a pupil at General William H. Russell's military school in New Haven, and graduated from the medical department of Yale College in

1860. He accepted the position of surgeon on a Liverpool steamship. On the 8th of May, 1862, he was commissioned as Second Assistant Surgeon of the Fifth C. V., participating in the retreat of General Banks from the Shenandoah Valley. While in captivity at Winchester, he was one of the seven surgeons who signed the memorable cartel by which medical officers were recognized in both armies as non-combatants. Being released in July, he participated in the battles of Cedar Mountain in August, and was for the second time taken prisoner, while on duty with the wounded on the field. He was in solitary confinement for a time in Libby Prison, having obeyed an order of General Banks, alleged by his captors to have been in violation of his parole. He was released by a special commission appointed for the purpose by Secretary-of-war Stanton, and was by General Dix assigned to hospital duty on the ship *Enterpe*, from Fortress Monroe to New York. Reporting to the Secretary of War, he was ordered to his regiment at Frederick City, Md., and took part in all the battles—Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Falling Waters (where he was slightly wounded in his face), and Kelley's Ford. Joining the Army of the Cumberland Dr. Bissell was in charge of the field hospital, in which there were three thousand beds. After-

ward he participated in the fight at Wahatchie, followed by the fights at Resaca, Pumpkin-Vine Creek, Gallows, Cassville, and Kenesaw Mountain, attracting the attention of General Hooker while removing two hundred wounded from the field in the face of a concealed battery. After hospital service at Ackworth, he was assigned a position on the medical staff of General Hooker, and was on duty at Atlanta at the close of the war. In 1870 he left a remunerative private practice in New Haven to take charge, at the request of the Peruvian government, of men engaged in the public works of that country; but, since 1876, has been a practicing physician and surgeon in New Haven. He was appointed surgeon of the Second Regiment in 1867, and has since held that position under Colonels Basserman, Bradley, and Smith, and for seven years has been examining surgeon for the pension department of the government.

Dr. Bissell has been a Registrar of Vital Statistics for the town of New Haven, a Police Commissioner of the city, and member of the Board of Health. He is a member of the G. A. R., and of the military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. He has a large private practice in surgery.



COL. NORRIS G. OSBORN.



COL. WILLIAM N. WOODRUFF.



COL. LUKE M. HEEREY.



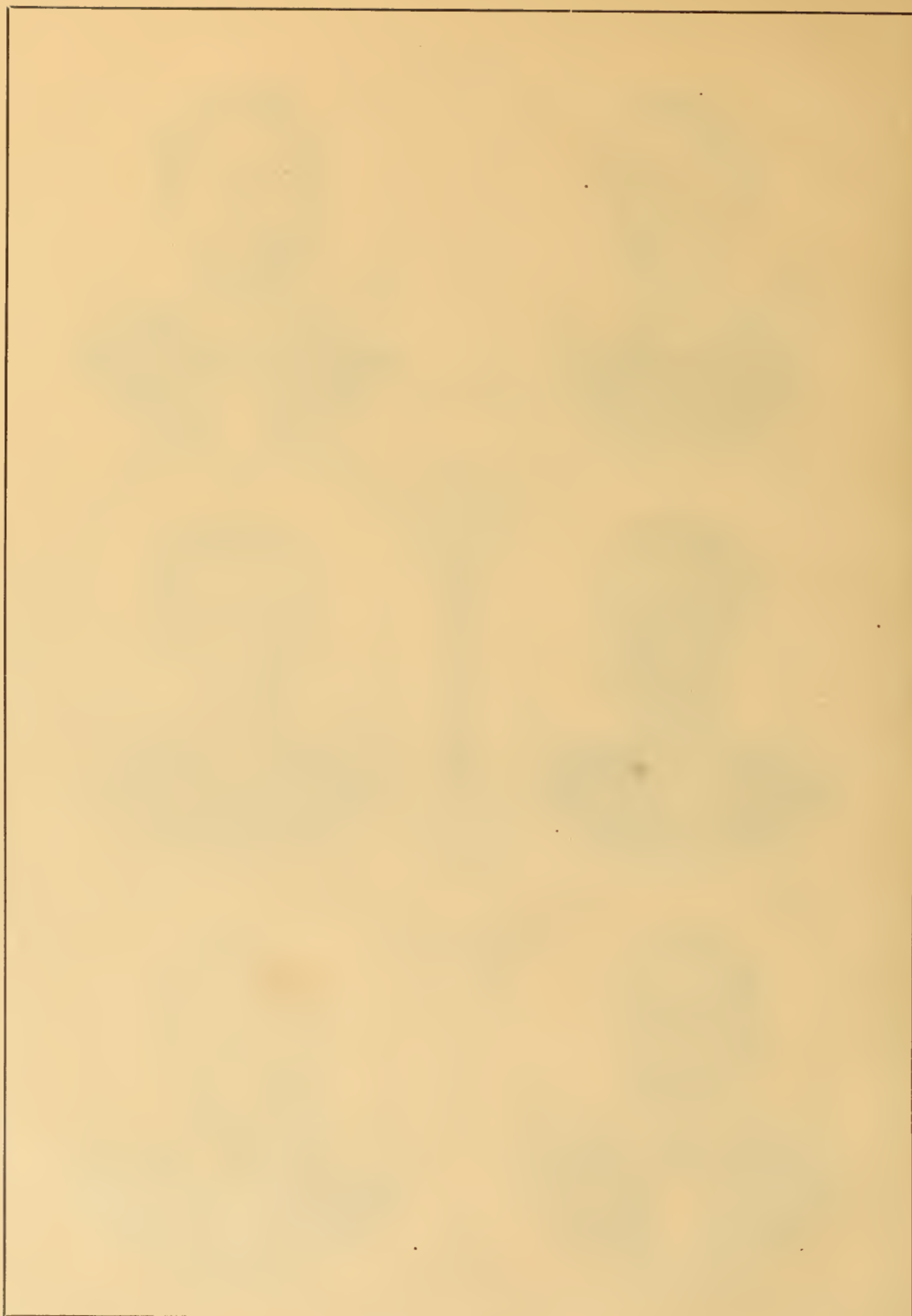
COL. GEORGE D. POST.



COL. EDWARD M. GRAVES.



COL. F. E. W. WOODRUFF.



COL. NORRIS G. OSBORN,

Senior Aid on the staff of Governor Waller, was born in New Haven, April 17, 1858. He is the third son of the late Minott A. Osborn, editor and publisher of the New Haven *Register* for many years. He is a graduate of the class of 1880 in Yale College, and is a member of the "Scroll and Key" society, a fraternity constantly increasing in numerical strength and importance in college circles. Colonel Osborn has been for some time the editorial manager and is now chief editor of the *Register*, preferring the labors and rewards of the career of a journalist to those attainable in other pursuits. He is public-spirited and earnest in matters affecting the common welfare, and though young and a popular gentleman in social affairs, is always found during working hours at the editorial rooms. "His daily contributions to the paper have already tended to give it a character for thoughtfulness and discrimination, they being written with candor and not without consideration for the opinions of other men." His appointment gave pleasure to the large number of military men in his native city, and was a pleasant recognition of his companionable disposition and frank and soldier-like directness in all his associations. Colonel Osborn is on the best of terms with his superior officers, and is greatly liked by the gentlemen of the Governor's staff.

COL. WILLIAM N. WOODRUFF,

Aid-de-camp, is a contractor at the Pratt & Whitney Company's works in Hartford, where he possesses the cordial support and confidence of his associates. He received an elegant testimonial from them on the occasion of his appointment on the Governor's staff. Colonel Woodruff was born at Orange, N. J., and was educated in the public schools at Newark and the Flushing Institute at Flushing, L. I. In 1861 he commenced the study of law in the office of ex-Governor Pennington of New Jersey, located at Newark, but after one year's experience he abandoned the project as unsuited to his temperament and tastes. Soon afterwards he apprenticed himself to the machinist trade, for which he

was especially adapted by nature. He developed exceptional gifts in his department, and on attaining his majority sought employment in the eastern states, with the object of gaining a knowledge of the business not obtainable elsewhere. Entering the employ of the Pratt & Whitney Company of Hartford, his activity, energy, and fine ability as a machinist were promptly recognized, and he was appointed one of the contractors in the establishment. He has the largest number of workmen under him of any contractor there, and is universally honored for his upright and manly dealings with those connected with him. Colonel Woodruff was a delegate from Hartford to the Democratic convention which nominated Governor Waller, and worked resolutely here for the success of his party. He has always been a staunch Democrat, and his future will be one of political success. While he has in no case sought office, he has frequently been compelled, on account of private business, to decline public positions of trust and responsibility. His appointment on the staff of Governor Waller was highly complimentary to the Young Democracy of Hartford.

COL. LUKE M. HEEREY,

Aid-de-camp, resides at Versailles, in New London County. He was born in Ireland, and is thirty-six years of age. His family settled in Hinsdale, Mass., in the year 1858. At the age of twelve he went to work in the woolen mills at Hinsdale, and rose through the different grades of employment to the superintendency, which position he held for six years, until 1876, when he formed a partnership with James Walton, who owned and operated the Methuen Mills. The partnership was dissolved in 1878. Colonel Heerey conducting the extensive business alone. In 1878 he was owner of the West Chelmsford Mill, near Lowell, Mass., and in 1880 bought the Vernon Mill. In 1881 the mills in Methuen, Mass., became his, and all are successful contributors of commodities and woven goods. He is said to be the largest individual woolen manufacturer in New England.

COL. GEORGE D. POST,

Aid-de-camp, of Putnam, was born in Hebron, January 25th, 1855.

In his infancy his parents removed to Andover, where they now reside. Col. Post was educated in the district schools of Andover and at the Natchaug High School in Willimantic.

In the Spring of 1877 he commenced business in Putnam, as a member of the organization known as "the New England Combination Clothiers," which has under its control twenty-eight large stores, scattered here and there through New England. The branch located at Putnam, under the personal supervision of Col. Post, has grown steadily in public favor from its beginning, and is now doing a large and rapidly increasing business.

Although always identified with the Democratic party, Col. Post has been too much engrossed with business matters to participate actively in public affairs, and has heretofore declined official position.

He is a genial, courteous gentleman, and performs the duties of his appointment with dignity, and to the satisfaction of his official superiors.

EDWARD M. GRAVES,

Assistant Adjutant-General, was born in Dublin, April 2, 1848, and came to this country in his infancy. He was educated in the public and private schools of Brooklyn, N. Y., and by special instruction in Montreal and New Haven. On the breaking out of the rebellion in 1861, though but thirteen years old, he enlisted as a drummer boy, but was taken home by his parents before the regiment departed from Brooklyn. After two subsequent attempts to enlist, and seeing that he was determined to carry out his purpose, his parents finally consented to allow him to enter the army, and in the latter part of 1863, he entered service in the famous first New York (Lincoln) cavalry. He served under Generals Sigel, Hunter, Averill, Custer, and Sheridan in the Shenandoah Valley until the close of the war, a good portion of the time as a scout. He was wounded in the leg at Winchester, and subsequently the same leg was severely injured by his horse falling upon it against an embankment,

when the animal was pierced by a shell from a confederate battery. At the battle of Five Forks his head was cut open by a saber in the hands of a confederate lieutenant-colonel, and he was rescued from certain death by General Custer. After being honorably discharged at the close of the war, Colonel Graves entered into mercantile pursuits at Hartford, Conn., but always displayed a strong taste for literary pursuits. He wrote several war sketches for periodicals. In 1873, when the New Haven *Union* was started as a daily, he became the associate editor of that paper, and served in that capacity until his appointment as Assistant Adjutant-General, October 1, 1883. He has not left the field of journalism, however, as he is now associate editor of the Hartford *Telegram*.

LIEUT.-COL. JABEZ L. WOODBRIDGE,

Assistant Quartermaster-General, was born at Manchester, March 4, 1839, and received an academic education. He was fitted for college at Dr. J. C. Fitch's preparatory school at South Windham, but on account of necessary changes in his plans for life, he engaged in business in the West and South, spending considerable time in Texas, engaged in cattle raising. He returned North at the opening of the war, and was soon afterwards appointed superintendent and secretary of the Windemere Woolen Company at Rockville, retaining the position for five years. Subsequently he engaged in business for himself at Rockville, conducting a crockery and house-furnishing goods establishment. For a number of years back he has been the traveling agent for the Downer Kerosene Oil Company of Boston, and has traveled extensively for the firm. He has been actively connected with the Connecticut National Guard for several years, occupying the position of Inspector of rifle practice on the Staff of Colonel Barbour of the First regiment. Colonel Woodbridge is a prominent Mason, and has held all the principal offices in Fayette Lodge, and Adoniram Chapter at Rockville, and is an active member of Washington Commandery and Wolcott Council of Hartford. He possesses fine executive ability, and proves an able officer in his department.



HON. ORVILLE H. PLATT.

UNITED STATES SENATOR.

HON. ORVILLE H. PLATT, one of the United States Senators from Connecticut, was born in the town of Washington, Litchfield County, in this State, on July 19, 1827, and will therefore be fifty-six years of age in July next. He was a son of Daniel G. Platt, a farmer, and worked upon his father's farm until he was 20 years of age. His education was received in the common schools and in the academy of Frederick W. Gunn, of wide reputation in later years as the principal of "The Ginnery," so called, in the town of Washington, an institution of learning which became justly celebrated. Mr. Platt studied law in the office of Hon. Gideon H. Hollister, Litchfield, the well known historian of Connecticut, who died in 1881, and was admitted to the bar in Litchfield in 1849. Subsequently he secured admission to the Pennsylvania bar in Towanta, Bradford County, and spent six months

in the office of Hon. Ulysses Mercur, now Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. He returned to Connecticut in 1851, and located in Meriden as a practitioner of law, and has since made that city his home. In 1856 he was clerk of the Connecticut Senate, and was elected Secretary of State in 1857. In 1861-2 he was a member of the Senate, and in 1864 and 1869 was elected to the House, the last year serving as its Speaker. In all these positions he displayed exceptional qualifications and showed a special aptitude for legislative business. In 1877 he was chosen State Attorney for New Haven County, and held that place till elected in 1879 to the United States Senate to succeed Hon. William H. Furness. His term in the Senate will expire March 3, 1885.

This is a rough sketch of his career, which has been in all respects useful and honorable. Mr.

Platt's name was first mentioned in connection with the high office of United States Senator in 1868, when a lively contest occurred in the Legislature between the supporters of Ex-Governor William A. Buckingham and General Joseph R. Hawley. He had worked up no canvass, but a minority of the Republican voters voted for him steadily through many ballots, and finally decided the contest between the two principals by voting for Governor Buckingham. In the contest of 1879 the chief candidates to start with were General Hawley and Governor Jewell, Mr. Platt again coming in with a strong balance of power, but this time with the prestige of a larger acquaintance in the State, and consequently with more powerful influences. The canvass which determined the issue was well equipped with some of the best Republicans of the State, and its votes were so varying that at one time during the balloting General Hawley came within two votes of receiving a majority, while Mr. Platt on the same ballot had but three votes. For *three* ballots Mr. Platt had only *five* votes. That was his lowest—two cast by the members from his own town, and the other by the Senator from the Meriden District. From that point, however, his strength developed, and a few ballots more, which closed at three o'clock in the morning, gave him the nomination.

Mr. Platt in person is tall and commanding. His manners are genial and popular. He is a pleasant speaker and a good debater—always clear and concise, wasting very few words for the sake of oratorical effect. As a lawyer he has had for many years a high standing at the bar, and has made a specialty of patent cases, though doing a general law practice. All his life he has been a promoter of Christian and philanthropic enterprises, actively working for the best good of society through the organized channels of religion and temperance, while by his own example assisting in every good cause.

In the Senate assignment of committees he is Chairman of the Committee on Patents, a member of the Committee on Pensions, and for some time after Senator Teller's appointment as Secretary of the Interior, acting chairman on revision of laws, and on contingent expenses of the Senate. His speech on the arrears of the pensions, which has been favorably commented upon for its terse vigor and good sense by many leading papers, is a fair specimen of his methods in public debate, proving what has already been said—that he aims at the point under discussion rather than to secure rhetorical embellishment, though his language is always as finished as it is clear and forcible.



HON. JOSEPH R. HAWLEY,

UNITED STATES SENATOR.

HON. JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, U. S. Senator from Connecticut, is a native of North Carolina, born at Stewartsville, in that State, on the 31st of October, 1826. His father, who was a clergyman, settled there, and it was during a temporary residence in the State that the son was born. During his boyhood the family moved to Cazenovia, N. Y. Later Joseph came to Hartford and entered the High School, and in course of time entered Hamilton College, from which he was graduated in 1847. Three years later he was admitted to the bar in Hartford, and subsequently entered into a law partnership with Hon. John Hooker, now the reporter for the Supreme Court of Connecticut. He practiced law for several years, but his tastes were political. He had, from the experiences of his youth

and his natural training, become strongly opposed to the institution of slavery, and when the question of extension into the territories of the United States was opened by the passage of the Kansas Nebraska bill in 1854, and the whole subject was agitated by the struggles in Kansas, he was aroused to a point where his profession was of little account. It was in his law office, February 4, 1856, in response to his invitation, that John M. Niles, Gideon Welles, and other prominent Hartford gentlemen, met and took steps which led to the organization of the Republican party in Connecticut. The *Hartford Evening Press* was established as the organ of this party. In 1857 Mr. Hawley gave up his law practice and became its chief editor, and was acting in that capacity when the war of the Rebellion

broke out, in 1861. He was the first man in Connecticut to enroll his name in the volunteer service, and went to the field as Captain of Company A, First Regiment Connecticut Volunteers. From that time until the close of the war he saw continuous service, and rose by promotion through the several grades of military advancement until he was a Brigadier-General of volunteers and then a brevet Major-General, with which rank he was mustered out of service January 15, 1866. After the surrender of Lee at Appomattox, General Terry, a Connecticut man, was placed in command at Richmond, and General Hawley served with him as his Chief of Staff until the volunteer army was disbanded.

Very soon after he was mustered out of service the Republicans of Connecticut met in State convention and nominated him for Governor. His opponent was James E. English of New Haven. He was elected by a popular majority of 541, after a very closely-contested campaign, and a singular coincidence was furnished in the result—showing the even political balance in the State, notwithstanding war issues—by the fact that General Hawley's majority in the year following the war was precisely that which Governor Buckingham, the Republican candidate, received in the year preceding the beginning of hostilities between the North and the South. In 1867 he was renominated for Governor, but was defeated. During all this period here referred to General Hawley had retained his interest in the *Hartford Press*. In 1867 General Hawley and his associates bought a controlling interest in the *Hartford Courant*, and the *Evening Post* took the place of the *Press* in the evening field. He has since been nominally editor-in-chief of the *Courant*, though devoting very little personal attention to it, as his time has been devoted to more public matters.

In 1868 General Hawley was a delegate-at-large to the Republican National Convention held in Chicago, and was elected President of that body, which placed in nomination General U. S. Grant for the Presidency. It was at a time when new and dangerous financial doctrines were being advocated, and the integrity of the government was threatened regarding its moneyed obligations, and to General Hawley was largely due the prevailing sentiments of the convention on the right side of this question. His

speech on taking the chair anticipated the platform and contained in one expression, that the bonds of the government "must be held as sacred as soldiers' graves," all that was needed to close the argument against repudiation or dishonor. He was also a member of the convention in 1872, which renominated Grant, and was Secretary of the Committee on Resolutions; and again, in 1876, at Cincinnati, he represented Connecticut and was Chairman of the Resolutions Committee. From 1873 to the close of the Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia he was its President, and at the conclusion of the great exposition he was presented with a handsome testimonial in recognition of the valuable services he had given to the enterprise as the head of the national commission. In November, 1872, he was elected to Congress from the First Connecticut District to fill the unexpired term of Julius L. Strong, deceased. He was elected for the full term succeeding, defeating William W. Eaton, the Democratic candidate. Subsequently he was twice defeated by George M. Landers and again elected, and in 1880 he declined a renomination to become a candidate for United States Senator, to which position the Legislature of 1881 elected him for a term of six years. He was first a candidate for this position in 1868, and was defeated by Governor Buckingham. In 1872 he obtained a caucus nomination, but was defeated by a combination of Republicans and Democrats, who supported Senator Ferry.

In the Forty-Seventh Congress, General Hawley was Chairman of the Committee on Civil Service and Retrenchment, and a member of the Committee on Military Affairs and Railroads, and of the Joint Committee on Public Printing. In the present congress he is on the same committees, being Chairman of the Civil Service Committee and second on the Committee on Railroads. He has taken a prominent part in the debates in the Senate, especially on financial questions and matters relating to the tariff.

General Hawley is a vigorous campaign speaker, and is always in demand when important elections are pending. He rarely prepares his speeches in detail, but relies upon the inspiration of the moment, and in purely extemporaneous effort has few superiors. He has strong and earnest convictions, and possesses the courage to avow them on all proper occasions.



HON. WILLIAM W. EATON,

CONGRESSMAN, FIRST DISTRICT.

HON. WILLIAM W. EATON, of Hartford, was born at Tolland, October 11, 1816, and received a public school education there, preparing him for business life. Among his companions and school associates was Judge Storrs of Hartford, Treasurer of the Society for Savings. Hon. A. P. Hyde, of the old firm of Waldo, Hubbard and Hyde, was a student-at-law with him in Tolland, Mr. Eaton studying for the bar with Hon. Calvin Willey, who had held the position of United States Senator from Connecticut, and Mr. Hyde being in the office of Judge Waldo. Congressman Eaton's father, Hon. Luther Eaton, was a man of notable honesty and integrity, possessing the fullest confidence and respect of the community in which he resided. He was also a man of political influence and control, at one time representing the old Twentieth

District in the State Senate. Mr. Eaton inherited the strict probity and independence of conviction of his father, and from the earliest period of his life his course has been one of fearless adherence to what he has believed to be right. On arriving at his majority he engaged in mercantile pursuits at Columbia, S. C., and spent three or four years there in business. The strong individual views which characterized his subsequent course in public affairs were established in part at least by his residence at the South. At the conclusion of his commercial career, which lasted upwards of four years, he returned North and commenced the study of law at his old home in Tolland, and was admitted to the bar in Tolland County. In 1847 he was elected a member of the Connecticut House of Representatives from Tolland, and was returned

the following year from that town. From that time until now, he has been a prominent figure in Connecticut politics. In 1850 he was elected to the State Senate from the old Twentieth District; at the end of the session of the General Assembly that year Mr. Eaton removed to Hartford, and has since been a resident here. He received the appointment of Clerk of the Hartford County Court, and proved himself a thoroughly competent official. In 1853 he was elected a member of the House from Hartford, and was chosen Speaker, a position for which he was amply qualified both by reason of ability and experience. Mr. Eaton was also a member of the House from Hartford during the sessions of 1863, '68, '70, '71, '73, and '74. In 1873 he was elected Speaker for the second time, and discharged the duties of the position with characteristic efficiency and success. Mr. Eaton possesses special adaptation for the legislative function, and his career in the General Assembly was marked by the highest personal integrity and uprightness. During the session of 1874 he was elected United States Senator from Connecticut, succeeding Hon. William A. Buckingham, whose term expired March 4, 1875. Upon the death of Senator Buckingham in February, 1875, Mr. Eaton was appointed United States Senator, filling the vacancy caused by Mr. Buckingham's death, and assumed the duties of

the office February 13, 1875. Commencing his full term on the 4th of March following, he remained in Washington during the succeeding six years, establishing for himself a record in which the State might experience a just sense of pride. During the concluding years of his senatorial life he was Senate Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, one of the most important in Congress. He was opposed to the appointment of the Electoral Commission by which in 1876 the election of President Hayes was ratified, and was the only Democrat in the Senate who voted against the measure. Mr. Eaton was one of the strongest advocates of tariff reform during his term in Congress, and was the author of an important measure providing for the appointment of a tariff commission. His term expired March 3, 1881, before his bill could be made a law, but the subsequent Congress enacted a measure covering the main provisions of Mr. Eaton's act. He was a hard-money Democrat, and held positive views with regard to the Greenback controversy which agitated the country a few years ago. In the fall of 1882 he received the Democratic nomination for Congress from the First Connecticut District, and ran against Hon. John R. Buck, the Republican candidate. He was elected by a large majority.



HON. CHARLES L. MITCHELL,

CONGRESSMAN, SECOND DISTRICT.

HON. CHARLES L. MITCHELL, elected to Congress from the Second District, is the son of the late Edward A. Mitchell, who was for many years Postmaster of New Haven. Mr. Edward A. Mitchell, with other members of the family, took an active part in establishing several of the great manufacturing industries which have built up the property of the district his son has been elected to represent. Through his mother, Charles L. Mitchell is a direct descendant of Thomas Fitch, who was Governor of Connecticut from 1754 to 1766. Fernhurst, the homestead of Charles L. Mitchell, is one of the most attractive of the many beautiful residences in the environs of New Haven, and has been in the possession of the family for three generations. Charles L. Mitchell was born August 4, 1844, and educated at the well known school of General Russell, New Haven, the Rectory School, Hamden, and the

Episcopal Academy, Cheshire. Later he spent two years in a journey around the world, visiting Asia, Africa, and Europe. He is actively engaged in business, being a director in the Winchester Arms Company, Meriden Britannia Company, Mitchell, Vance & Co., the Tradesmen's Bank, New Haven, etc. He is, moreover, interested as a stockholder in many of the prominent manufacturing enterprises throughout this State, among them the Cheshire Brass Company, Benedict & Burnham Co., the Waterbury Clock Company, Waterbury, R. Wallace & Sons, Watlingford, the Meriden Cutlery Company, Wilcox & White Organ Company, Meriden, and the Bridgeport Brass Company. He is always ready to assist in promoting new industries that meet his approval, and his practical knowledge of business and intelligent interest in scientific inventions connected with industrial progress, ensure for

counsel to be sought and valued by inventors. Mr. Mitchell represented the town of East Haven in the Legislature of 1878, his personal popularity being attested by the fact that, though the town usually gives a Republican majority, he carried it for the Democrats. In the following year he was nominated by the Democrats as their candidate for the Senatorial District, and though failing of an election, received more than a party vote in a majority of the towns. In private life Mr. Mitchell is a general favorite, a staunch friend, and a good neighbor. He is a generous patron of art, a buyer and reader of good books, and a

skilled horticulturist. His collection of hot-house plants, and especially of ferns, is one of the finest in the State. He is a member of the vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, New Haven, and takes an active part in the support and management of the religious and benevolent institutions of the city and State. By family training and inheritance, as well as by his own deliberate choice a Democrat, Mr. Mitchell is nevertheless entirely free from offensive partisanship. He not only accepts, but heartily believes in political progress, and has always the courage to stand by his convictions.



HON. JOHN TURNER WAIT.

CONGRESSMAN, THIRD DISTRICT.

HON. JOHN TURNER WAIT of Norwich, of the Third District, was born at New London, August 27, 1811. He received a mercantile training in early life, but, giving up that pursuit, prepared for college at Bacon Academy, Colchester, and entered Trinity College in the fall of 1832, where he remained for two years, prosecuting that course of studies which he deemed best adapted to qualify him for the profession of law. He studied law at first with Hon. L. F. S. Foster of Norwich, and subsequently with Hon. Jabez W. Huntington, and was admitted to the Bar in the fall of 1836. He at once commenced practice in Norwich, and has since resided there.

Mr. Wait is connected by blood with many of the oldest and leading families in eastern Connecticut. On his father's side he is associated with the Griswolds and Marvins of Lyme, while on his mother's side he is a lineal descendant of

William Hyde and Thomas Tracy, two of the thirty-five colonists who settled at Norwich in 1659. His family has given many prominent members to the legal profession. His father was long one of the leading lawyers at the bar of New London county, and for several years a judge of the Court of Common Pleas. He was a presidential elector in 1793, and cast his vote for Washington. He was also one of the commissioners appointed by the General Assembly to dispose of the western lands and establish the present school fund. Mr. Wait's father represented the town of New London for nineteen sessions in the General Assembly, and was several times one of the candidates for Congress of the old Republican party during the administration of Mr. Jefferson. Henry M. Wait, the father of the present Chief Justice of the United States, and cousin of the subject of this sketch, was also

a leading lawyer of New London county, and for a number of years held the position of Chief Judge of the Supreme Court of the State.

Mr. Wait's maternal grandfather was Dr. Philip Turner, in his day a celebrated surgeon. At the early age of nineteen he was appointed assistant-surgeon of a provincial regiment under General Amherst, and served through the French war. In 1777 Congress elected him Surgeon-General of the Eastern Department, which station he filled with great ability till near the close of the war of the Revolution. In 1800 he removed to New York, where he continued in the practice of his profession till he was placed as physician in charge of the troops stationed at the fortifications in the harbor of that city. This office he held until his death in 1815.

Congressman Wait was State's Attorney for New London county in 1842-44, and also from 1846 till 1854. Since the organization of the Bar Association in that county, in 1874, he has been its President, and for a large number of years has been closely identified with most matters of legal interest in that section of the State. His law practice has been extensive and profitable, his commanding influence at the Bar insuring him all the business that can possibly be attended to. For the past twenty-five years he has been engaged in nearly all the important cases, civil and criminal, that have come before the New London County courts. He was counsel for Mrs. Cobb in the celebrated murder case which attracted such wide attention two years ago, and it was no doubt his remarkable plea, occupying seven hours in delivery, that saved her life. Mr. Wait is an eminent jurist, and unquestionably is one of the ablest advocates in Connecticut.

Before the war Mr. Wait was a Democrat in politics, and was nominated by his party for Lieutenant-Governor for four consecutive years from 1854, receiving each year the highest vote of any candidate on the ticket. In 1860 he advocated the election of Stephen A. Douglas as President. At the outbreak of the war in 1860 he became a strong Union man.

His son, Lieutenant Marvin Wait, of the Eighth Connecticut regiment, served with distinguished courage on the field. In the gallant charge of that command at Antietam he fell mortally

wounded. His last words were, as his regiment pressed on, "Are we whipping them?"

In 1864 Mr. Wait was one of the electors-at-large for Connecticut, on the Lincoln-Johnson Presidential ticket. He was a member of the State Senate from the Eighth District during the years 1865 and 1866, the last year serving as President *pro tempore* of that body. In 1867 he was elected a member of the House of Representatives from Norwich, and was nominated for Speaker by acclamation. Probably no gentleman, as presiding officer of the House, was ever more thoroughly esteemed for "the ability, urbanity, and impartiality with which he discharged the duties of the chair." He was again elected to that body in 1871 and in 1873. In the session of 1871 he won unequalled praise for the speech which he delivered in support of the joint resolution declaring Marshall Jewell elected Governor of Connecticut.

In 1874 he was the Republican candidate for Lieutenant-Governor, receiving the highest vote on that ticket. Subsequently he was elected to the Forty-fourth Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. H. H. Starkweather, and was re-elected to the Forty-fifth, the Forty-sixth, the Forty-seventh, and the Forty-eighth Congress.

As a member of Congress Mr. Wait has cared for the interests of his constituents with untiring vigilance and zeal. The extensive industries which give employment to thousands of citizens in the two eastern counties of the State have had in him an intelligent and watchful guardian. As the advocate and friend of home industries he has steadily opposed in Congress every attempt to impair or weaken the laws under which Connecticut manufacturing and mechanical interests have sprung up and prospered, and has given his support to every measure calculated to advance the commercial and agricultural prospects of the State.

During his seven years of service at Washington he has been invariably attentive to the demands made upon his time and consideration by his constituents in matters affecting their private interests. Courteous and frank toward all who have approached him, he has allied men to him by the strongest personal ties, and is universally popular throughout his district and the State.



HON. EDWARD WOODRUFF SEYMOUR,

CONGRESSMAN, FOURTH DISTRICT.

HON. EDWARD WOODRUFF SEYMOUR, of the Fourth District, was born in Litchfield, August 30, 1832. He comes of a family which from the first settlement of this State has been intimately connected with its government. Since 1740, at eighty-three sessions of the General Assembly, in one or the other of its branches, the names of some of his immediate ancestors appear as members. He was graduated at Yale College in the year 1853, and immediately thereafter began the study of the law with his father, the late Chief Justice in this State. At that time Judge Seymour was in Congress, and his son acted as his private secretary for two years while pursuing his studies, thus early and thoroughly becoming acquainted with all the duties of a member of Congress. In 1856 he was admitted to the bar, and practiced law in his native town until 1875. He at once

secured a large practice, and gained an enviable reputation both with the public and among his brethren at the bar. As an advocate in the trial of jury causes he is particularly successful; as a cross examiner of witnesses he has few superiors in the State. He was elected a Representative in the General Assembly in the years 1859, 1860, 1870, and 1871, and a State Senator in 1876. He has acted as Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, and as such has rendered valuable services in shaping the laws of the State. In 1875 he moved his law business to Bridgeport, where he still continues it in partnership with his brother Morris W. Seymour. Since his removal to Bridgeport he has constantly been engaged in conducting extensive litigation, and is one of the leaders of the Fairfield County Bar. His inclination lead him more toward the practice of

his profession than toward political life. By birth, education, and connection Mr. Seymour is a thorough Democrat, but permits no party ties

to bind his convictions of duty. He is a believer in the principle of civil service reform, and is pledged to its support.

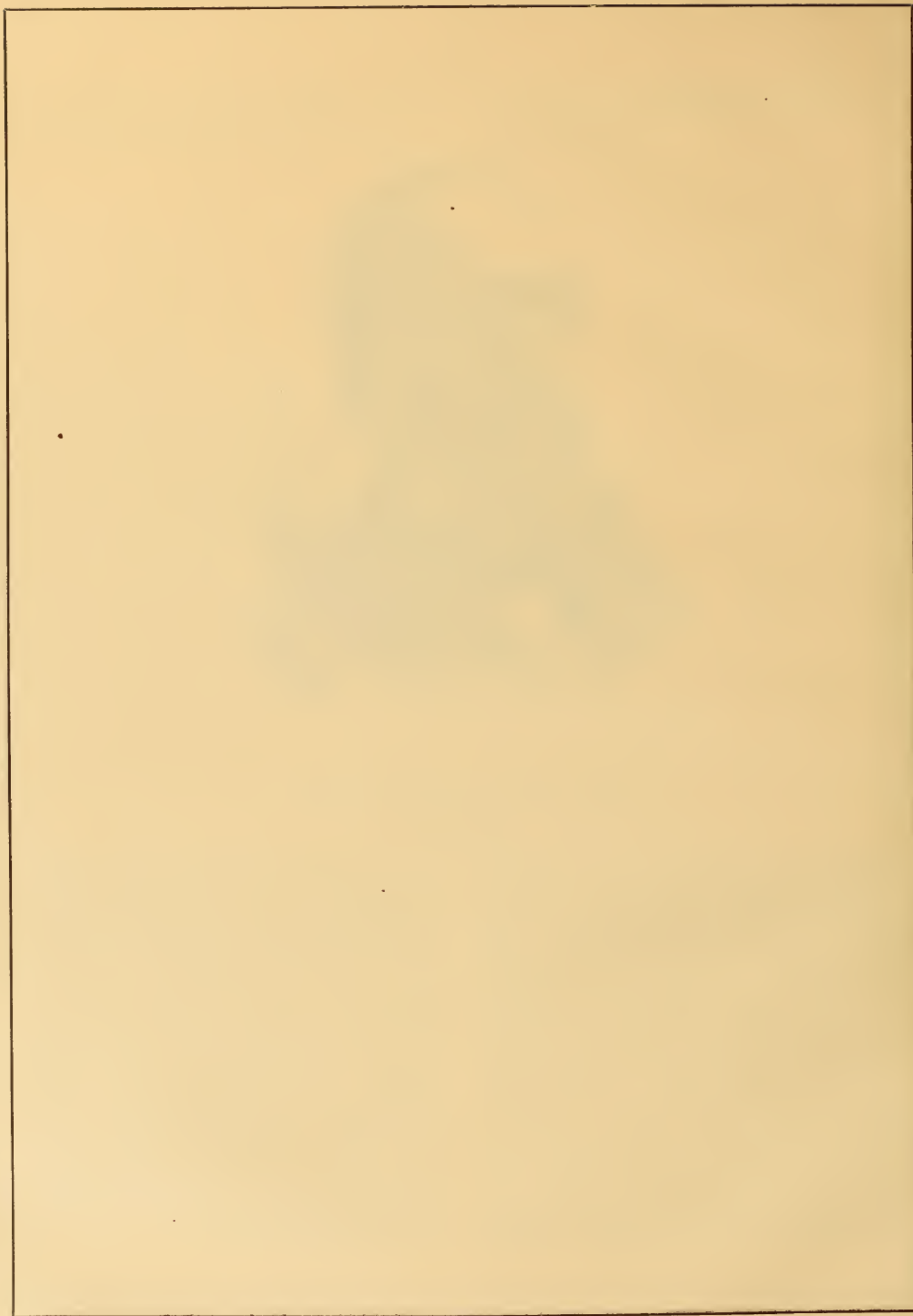


HON. FRANCIS BUELL COOLEY.

DISTRICT NO. 1

HON. FRANCIS BUELL COOLEY of Hartford, Republican Senator from the First District, is a prominent citizen of the Capital City. He was born in Granville, Mass., in 1823, and is in his sixty-first year. He was educated at the public schools, and when a young man engaged in mercantile pursuits. In 1847 he went to Chicago, Ill., then in its infancy and was closely identified with its early interests. He established the first wholesale dry goods house that existed there. He remained in Chicago for a period of seventeen years, and was senior partner of the firm of Cooley, Farwell & Co., one of the largest wholesale dry goods houses in the United States. The firm is still continued under the name of J. V. Farwell & Co. In 1865, having amassed a handsome fortune, Mr. Cooley removed to Hartford,

and has since lived in the city, his home being a fine residence, surrounded by extensive grounds, on Farmington avenue. He is largely interested in banking and financial institutions, being President of the National Exchange Bank, a Director in the Aetna Insurance Company, a Trustee of the Society for Savings on Pratt street, and a Director in the Hartford Gas Light Company, Landers, Frary & Clark, and the Broad Brook Company. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Retreat for the Insane, and of the American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, and a Trustee of the Hartford Theological Seminary. At the November election Mr. Cooley received a large vote. He is the efficient Chairman of the Committee on Insurance, and of the Committee on State Library.





HON. WILLIAM JUDSON CLARK.

DISTRICT NO. 2

HON. WILLIAM JUDSON CLARK, of Southington, Republican Senator from the Second District, was born at Southington, August 19, 1825, and is now in his fifty-ninth year. His education was derived from the Southington Academy, from which he graduated in the class of 1845. He was prepared for a collegiate education, and was about to enter Yale College when a severe attack of ophthalmia compelled him to relinquish his intention, and a year elapsed before the malady was cured. He then found employment as a school teacher, and during the winter of 1846-7 had charge of the high school at West Avon, where he served most acceptably. In the spring of 1847, Mr. Clark formed a business partnership with his brother-in-law, H. C. Cummings, of Watertown, and the store of Mr. Albert Hitchcock, at what was then known as "Hitchcock's

Basin," on the New Haven and Northampton Canal, in the southern part of Southington, was leased by the new firm. There they conducted a country store and sold also coal and lumber. They leased a canal boat and did quite an extensive freight business for Southington and Waterbury. No railroads existed then. The store met with fair success for those days, but the "California fever" having broken out in the winter of 1848-9, and Mr. Clark being young and not restrained by the cares of a family, determined to visit California, for the purpose of seeing the world, and at the same time, should occasion offer, with the intent of acquiring a fortune. On January 23, 1849, in company with fifty-five others, Mr. Clark sailed from New Haven in the schooner *Montague*, for San Francisco, by the way of Cape Horn. The party arrived in Cali-

fornia after a five months' voyage, and were at first quite successful in their search for gold, but an epidemic attacked the party and many were taken sick. Among the latter was Senator Clark, who was compelled by illness to give up his labors in California, and to return home, which he did in the spring of 1850. Soon afterwards he accepted a position as traveling salesman with a Southington firm, engaged in the manufacture of carriage bolts. This venture was so successful that he determined to become a manufacturer himself, and in 1851 he became engaged in the production of hardware. His manufactory was located on the Quinnipiack River, and the business progressed finely for a year, when the buildings were destroyed by fire. By Mr. Clark's efforts they were soon rebuilt, and the firm of "William J. Clark" continued until 1854, when it became "William J. Clark & Co." by the admission of two younger brothers of Mr. Clark. The new firm continued to prosper and to extend its business as a conservative judgment dictated, and it always enjoyed the best of credit and confidence of the mercantile community. From time to time Mr. Clark gave thought to and made improvements in various branches of his manufactures, the pressing of nuts and washers out of cold metal, by means of powerful machinery; heading and threading the various kinds of bolts by better and more rapid processes; and in 1863 and 1864 took out patents for a number of useful improvements, which cheapened and revolutionized the methods of manufacturing carriage bolts. These patents were infringed upon by other manufacturers, but after long litigation Mr. Clark's right to the priority and conception of the inventions was incontestably established. In 1871 Mr. Clark withdrew from the firm, and his two partners, with a nephew and a young man

in their office, formed the firm of Clark Brothers & Co. Since his retirement from active business Senator Clark has been passing the winters in Southington and the summers in Stony Creek, where he has erected a fine mansion, overlooking the Sound and the picturesque Thimble Islands.

In disposition, while averse to publicity or obtrusiveness, Senator Clark has ever realized his duties as a citizen and performed them promptly and without fear or favor, and after having done so has returned as promptly to his private business affairs. During the war he was a zealous Union man, and was the president of the Union League in Southington during the entire period. He also materially assisted in the passage of the "furlough" act in March, 1863, by which northern soldiers, sick in the hospital, were enabled to return home for thirty days. On many other occasions he has served the State and the nation. In 1874 Senator Clark was the candidate of the Republicans of the First District, under the old apportionment, for State Senator. His competitor was Hon. Charles M. Pond. Mr. Pond was elected, but Senator Clark succeeded in lowering his majority below that of the Democratic vote for Governor. In 1882 Senator Clark was elected by a handsome majority.

The Session of 1883 was Senator Clark's first experience in the Legislature, and while he has shown that he has the courage to advocate his convictions, he has also shown, as Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, that he possesses a clear head and sound judgment. For the Session of 1884 he is Chairman of three very important Committees—Claims, Temperance, and Constitutional Amendments, and a member of the Committee on Contested Elections.

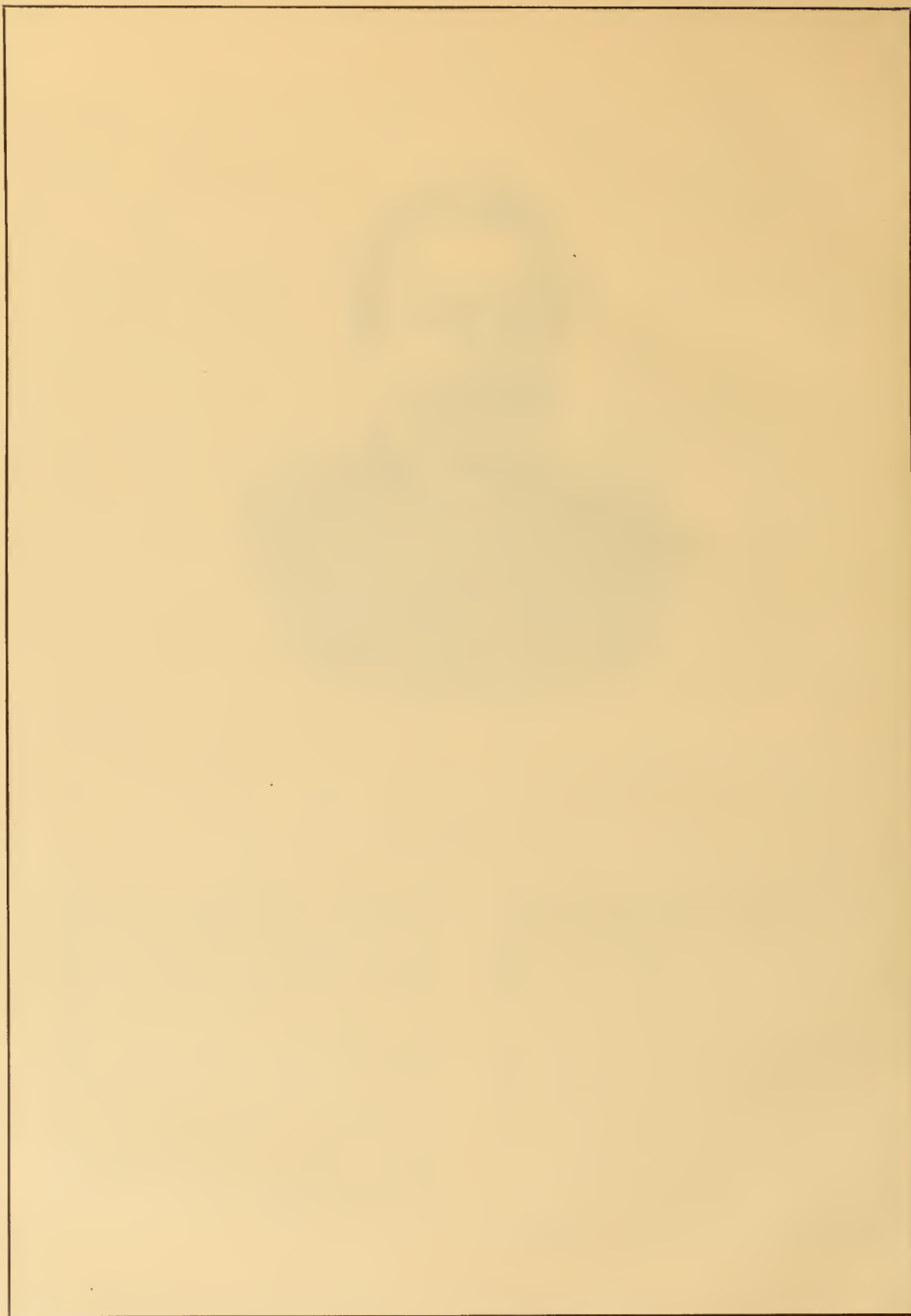


HON. THEODORE M. MALTBIE.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

HON. THEODORE M. MALTBIE, Republican Senator from the Third District, was born in New York, April 29, 1812, but left the great city while yet a child, going to the Berkshire hills, where he lived and studied in the common schools and academy until he attained his majority. Then he removed to Granby where he has resided ever since. In 1872 he accepted the position of Deputy Insurance Commissioner of this State under Hon. George S. Miller. This relation he continued under Hon. John W. Steadman. In 1878, having previously formed a partnership with Judge Briscoe in Hartford, he withdrew to devote himself exclusively to the practice of law. During his experience as an insurance official he earned an excellent reputation as a

specialist. In 1882 he became associated with Hon. William C. Case and Percy S. Bryant, the firm name being Case, Maltbie & Bryant, with an office on State street, Hartford. As to his political career, the Senator was a member of the House in 1870, 1874, and 1878, in which position he was always conspicuous for keen perception and executive ability. In 1873 he was a candidate for Senator in the old Third District, but even with his popularity it could not be rescued from Democratic control. Last year he was nominated in the new Third, and elected by a handsome majority. He is Chairman of the Committee on Incorporations, and of the Committee on Joint Rules.



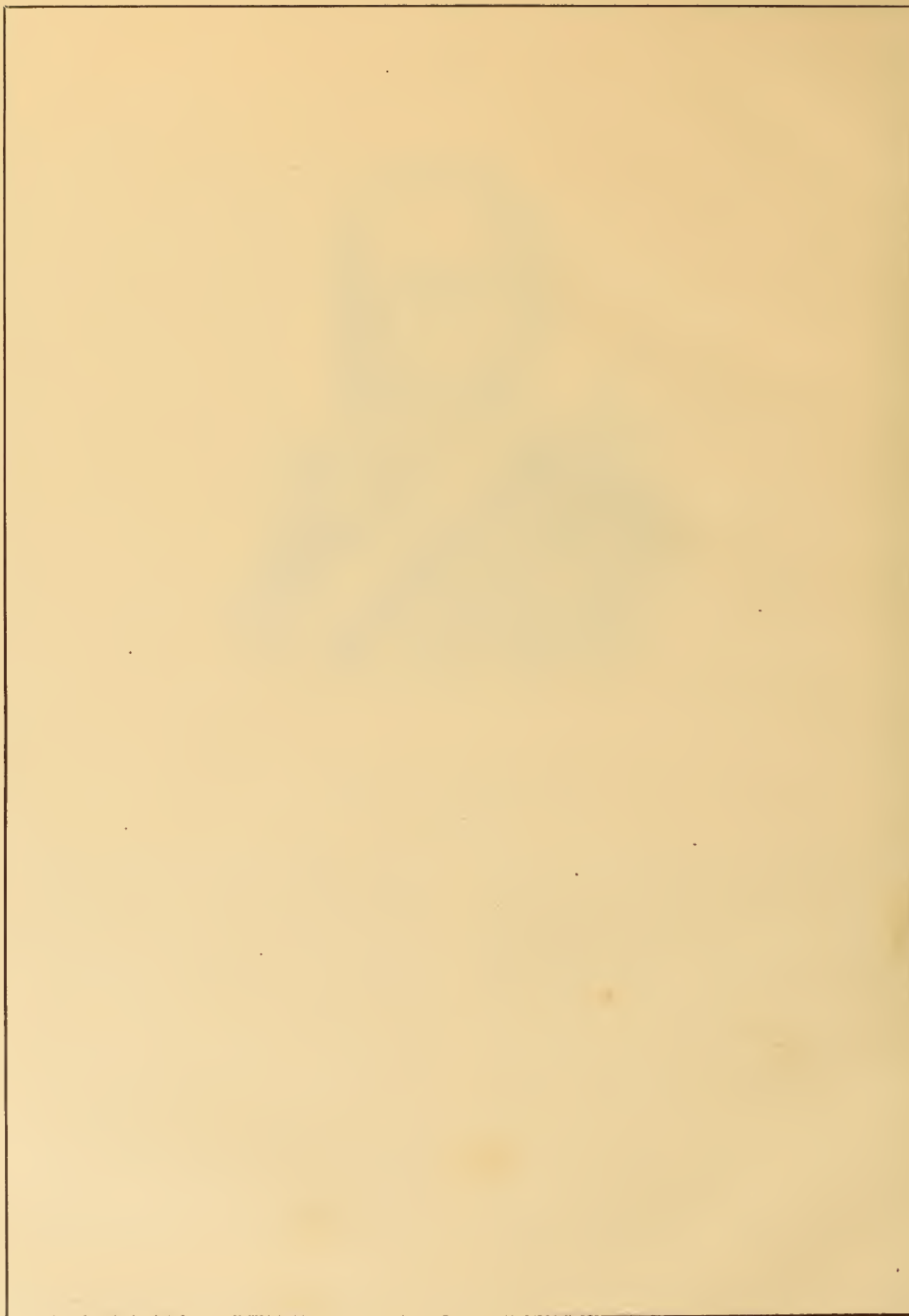


HON. ELISHA N. WELCH.

DISTRICT NO. 4

HON. ELISHA N. WELCH, of Bristol, Democratic Senator from the Fourth District, holds over from last year, when he served in the Senate with ability. His first experience in the Legislature was in 1881, when he was a member of the House. He was born at Chatham, East Hampton Society, February 7, 1809. In early life he was ambitious to attain a successful business career, and his desires have been gratified to an eminent degree. For years he has been connected with the leading business interests of Bristol, and is one of the largest manufacturers of Hartford County. He is the founder and President of the E. N. Welch Manufacturing Company at Forestville, engaged in the manufacture of clocks; President of the Bristol Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of shirts and drawers; President of the Bristol Brass and Clock Company, the Sheet Brass Manufacturing

Company, and is at the head of the Welch Spring Company. He is a Director in the Bristol National Bank, and also of the First National Bank at New Haven, of which his brother, Harnatus M. Welch, is President, and ex Governor James E. English an Associate Director. Throughout his life Senator Welch has met with uniform success. His twenty-first birthday occurred upon a Sunday, and on the morning following he began the foundry business on his own account in Bristol. From that day to this he has worked hard and ably, and by perseverance and industry has amassed a large fortune. At his large mills and manufactories in Bristol and Forestville, daily employment is given to hundreds of operatives, and his success has been one of the chief factors in the growth of the town. He is Senate Chairman of the Committee on Capital, Furniture and Grounds.





HON. EDWARD T. TURNER.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

HON. EDWARD T. TURNER, of Waterbury, Republican Senator from the Fifth District, was born in Northfield, a part of the town of Litchfield, in 1835. He received a common-school education, and at an early age was apprenticed to a shoemaker, an occupation which he ceased to follow after his apprenticeship had been completed, he dividing his time between farming and working in the factory. At the age of twenty-four he went to Plainville to enter a country store, and it was there that those habits of business became fixed which have since distinguished him as a merchant. The field in Plainville proving too limited, he moved to Waterbury in 1863—just twenty-one years ago—and embarked in the dry goods business, which from that time has been one of the most influential factors in the city's growth. For these twenty years the house

of E. T. Turner has stood second to none in the busy Naugatuck Valley, and indeed has rivaled that of any similar house in the State. The cause of this must be found in his indomitable perseverance, eternal watchfulness, hard labor, fair dealing, quick sympathies, and his readiness to take hold of anything legitimate which gave promise of profit, growth, and progress. These traits have followed Mr. Turner from small beginnings until at forty-eight he can look upon a competence secured, and a business so systematized and established that it can be safely entrusted to the younger man; he recently made a partner, and can almost be left to run itself. It goes without saying that so crowded a life had little room in it for the furtherance of political ambitions. Nor yet could such a man stand by wholly uninterested in the part of politics which

affects the city itself. So Mr. Turner, always a Republican, on account of his popularity, has been chosen for years to lead the forlorn hope in the hopelessly Democratic Fourth Ward, of course only to be as frequently knocked down. For years also he has served as a member of the Board of Fire Commissioners, and of the Board of Compensation, and was for one term elected a Councilman. It was fitting then that such a man should be nominated for Senator for the Fifth District—which, by common consent, is like his own Fourth Ward, hopelessly Democratic. This nomination came to him just when

he was thinking of throwing his business into other hands, and taking his much-needed and hard-earned rest. With his accustomed vigor he went into the canvass, and was easily elected by a handsome majority—a just tribute to his character and popularity. Mr. Turner is largely interested in Waterbury real estate, is a Director in its Manufacturers National Bank, and connected with many enterprises involving the growth of Waterbury, and his counsels cannot fail to be of value in his new role as Senator of this District. He is Chairman of the Committee on banks.



HON. CHARLES D. YALE.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

HON. CHARLES D. YALE, of Wallingford, Democratic Senator from the Sixth District, was born at Meriden, and is seventy two years of age. He is a gentleman of dignified presence and affable manners. His education was derived from the common school and the academy. Though not seeking political preferment, he has done the State good service, having been, while a member of the House of Representatives in 1874, a member of the Committee on Humane Institutions and Chairman of the same Committee while in the Senate in 1875. In 1878, Mr. Yale was again elected to the House, and was one of the Committee on Banks. In the business world, Mr. Yale holds a high position, and as a stockholder and officer of the Simpson, Hall, Miller & Co. Manufacturing Corporation of Wallingford, he is well known throughout the United States.

The financial reverses of 1835-7 found Mr. Yale in circumstances necessitating a change in location desirable. After settling up his affairs, paying every dollar of indebtedness, he removed to Richmond, Va., where he had lived in early life, his father being in business there. Possessing good health and habits, and an energetic temperament, he was in a few years at the head of a large and successful business. As is well known, all the industries of the country, particularly at the South, were affected by the war, and Mr. Yale suffered with the others. This, however, caused no relaxation of effort, and at the close of the war he was active in doing all in his power to effect the re-establishment of the State and the city in their civil and judicial powers. He presided at the first meeting of the citizens of Richmond, assembled in the open air, and introduced from the steps of the State Capitol

building the first candidate for Governor, (and who was elected,) after the State was allowed by the United States Government to proceed with the reorganization and administration of its own affairs. He was active in establishing the first schools for colored children ever established in the South, and was a member of the City Council of Richmond, filling the position of Chairman of many of its committees. He was appointed foreman of the Grand Jury of the United States District Court of Chief Justice Chase, in the early part of Judge Chase's work in Virginia.

In 1869, Mr. Yale disposed of his business interests in Virginia, and returned to Connecticut for a permanent residence. His enterprise and good judgment have been well appreciated by the people of Wallingford, who elected him Warden of the Borough, and the workmen in the factory look upon him as a personal friend. In the Senate last session he served as Chairman of the Committee on the School Fund. He is on the same committee this year and also on the Committee on Contingent Expenses.



HON. EDMUND DAY.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

HON. EDMUND DAY, of Seymour, Republican Senator from the Seventh District, was born in West Springfield, Mass., December 12, 1831. He remained on his father's farm there until the fall of 1851, attending incidentally the common schools and the Westfield Academy. Then he entered the Scientific Department of Yale College for the purpose of pursuing a course of study. But his father and brothers having established a business in Seymour, Conn., he left it at their request to become associated with them. The business was the manufacture of hard rubber goods, and the cleaning and preparation of the different varieties of East India gums, for the use of other manufacturers, under a patent of his brother, A. G. Day. A very large part of these gums used in this country for a period of years passed through their hands. Mr. Day has con-

tinued in the manufacturing business ever since he started in it and has been very successful. He is also interested in other manufactories and corporations in this and other States. It was Senator Day's brother who invented the method of making hard rubber flexible, an improvement, without which the Goodyear patent would have been worth very little. His legal right to this invention was disputed tenaciously in the courts for a series of years, but the litigation was finally decided in his favor. The Senator has always taken a deep interest in politics. He was a warm friend of the Lincoln and Buckingham Administrations and contributed liberally to the support of the war. He has been a delegate to most of the important conventions of his party in the State, and although frequently urged to accept public office, has repeatedly declined. In

1874 he accepted a nomination as Representative from Seymour, which, for years, had been a Democratic town, and was elected by a majority of fifty-two. In 1873 the Democratic majority was thirty-two. In the canvass, last fall, when the Seventh District and the Senate were in doubt, he was selected as one of the few men capable of carrying the district, in which, in 1881, Senator Gunn was chosen by one hundred and ninety-two majority. After urgent solicitation by leading Republicans he consented, but even then with

reluctance, to accept the nomination. That the confidence of his friends was not misplaced, was shown by his election by six hundred and seventy-two majority. Senator Day is Chairman of the Committee on Manufactures and a member of the Committee on Contingent Expenses. In addition to valuable services in the few public positions he has consented to accept, he was an indispensable member from the old Fifth District of the State Central Committee for several years, including the time of the Grant campaigns.



HON. JOSEPH D. PLUNKETT.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

HON. JOSEPH D. PLUNKETT, of New Haven, Democratic Senator from the Eighth District, holds over from last year, when he served as Chairman of the Committee on Forfeited Rights. He was born in Ireland, July 5, 1842, and is now in his forty-second year. At an early age he came to America and made his home in Norwich; here he received a common-school education. When the government appealed for volunteers to protect it from the Southern rebels, Mr. Plunkett responded. He was Commissary-Sergeant of the 21st C. V., a regiment which saw much service, and in a few months was promoted to be Second-Lieutenant of Co. K. In 1868 he took an active part in the Connecticut canvass for the Presidency, speaking in support of Horatio Seymour. Then at the instance of

Hon. Colin M. Ingersoll, then Adjutant-General, he removed to New Haven to accept a position in his office. Gen. Merwin was Gen. Ingersoll's successor and offered Mr. Plunkett a continuance of his engagement, but the offer was declined. Mr. Plunkett became associated with a Boston house as special agent, a connection he retained until he entered the Yale Law School, from which he graduated in 1874. In 1872 he stamped the State for Greeley, in 1876, and notably, for Tilden, speaking forty times in the State, and in 1880 for Hancock. He was one of the five founders of the Hancock Legion of America. The other four were also Grand Army men and belonged in New Haven—Major Clark Peck, Surgeon-General, Bissell, Col. John G. Healy, and Col. Edward M. Graves. During his residence in New Haven,

he has been associated with the musical world, has served upon the public charity boards, and is a member of the Committee on Soldiers' Monument. He was Assistant City Attorney, in 1876-7. He was Commander of Henry C. Merwin Post, No. 52, G. A. R., and is now Judge Advocate on Department-Commander Hyatt's staff. He is still a member of the local Board

of Education. Mr. Plunkett is a ready and eloquent debater, his oratorical power being of the first order. In his district he is very popular, and received his election to the Senate in the fall of 1882 by a majority of 2,699. He was Chairman of the Committee on Forfeited Rights last year; this year he holds a like position on the Committee on Sale of Lands.

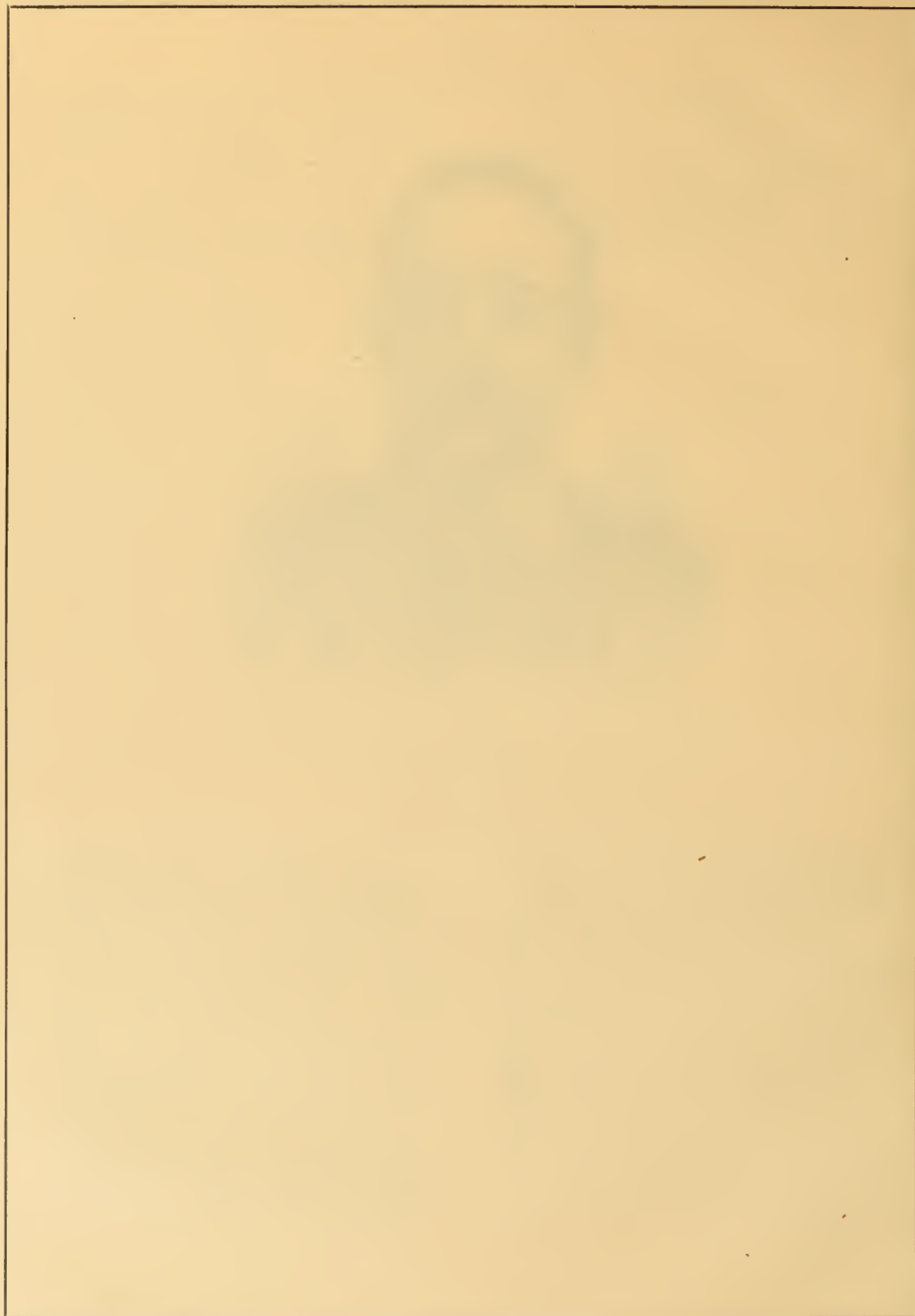


HON. STILES T. STANTON.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

HON. STILES TRUMBELL STANTON of Stonington, Republican Senator from the Ninth District, is a brilliant and versatile journalist; his reputation for graceful, humorous writings extending considerably beyond local circles. Both before and since his retirement from the newspaper field his career has been one of uninterrupted success, and he came to the Senate this year with a most flattering endorsement from his constituency, as shown by the large majority which he received at the November election. Senator Stanton is a native of Stonington, and a member of one of its oldest and most respected families. He was prepared for, but did not enter, Yale College, at the Collegiate Institute of New Haven, and soon after graduation became a journalist. From 1875 to 1878 he was on the

brigade staff, Connecticut National Guard. In the campaign of 1880 he acted as secretary of the Republican State central committee, and was an alternate delegate to the national Republican convention at Chicago in that year. He was also Executive Secretary to Governor Charles B. Andrews, and has held numerous local and social offices. In 1881 and 1882 he was a member of the House, and made a brilliant record. In the fall of 1882 he was the Republican candidate for Secretary of State, and ran largely ahead of his ticket. Senator Stanton is one of the best known men in Connecticut, and throughout the State he is very popular. His important committee connections in the Senate are as Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs and a member of the Committee on Executive Nominations.





HON. CHESTER W. BARNES.

DISTRICT No. 10.

HON. CHESTER W. BARNES of Preston, Democratic Senator from the Tenth District, was born in Norwich Town, adjacent to Preston, March 16, 1841. In his infancy his parents moved from Norwich to Lisbon, and after a five years' residence in the latter town they returned to Norwich. Remaining only a year, they made a permanent removal, settling in the town of Preston. Senator Barnes' ancestors were well-to-do farmers, and it is worthy of note that his grandparents, both of whom lived to the age of ninety-three years, kept house in the old homestead at Preston for seventy-one years, and brought up a family of eleven children. The subject of this sketch received his education in the main at the public

schools, and was later trained for commercial pursuits. For the past thirteen years he has been proprietor of a quarry business in Preston, which under his management has become a substantial success. In 1882 he represented his town in the General Assembly, and was a member of the Committee on Claims. In 1881 he was Chairman of the Board of Selectmen of the town of Preston, and he has also been Constable there for several years. He is a gentleman of most estimable manner, of firm convictions in political and civil matters, of excellent judgment in business affairs, and withal a thoroughly practical man. He is Chairman of the Committee on Canvass of Votes for Justices of the Peace.



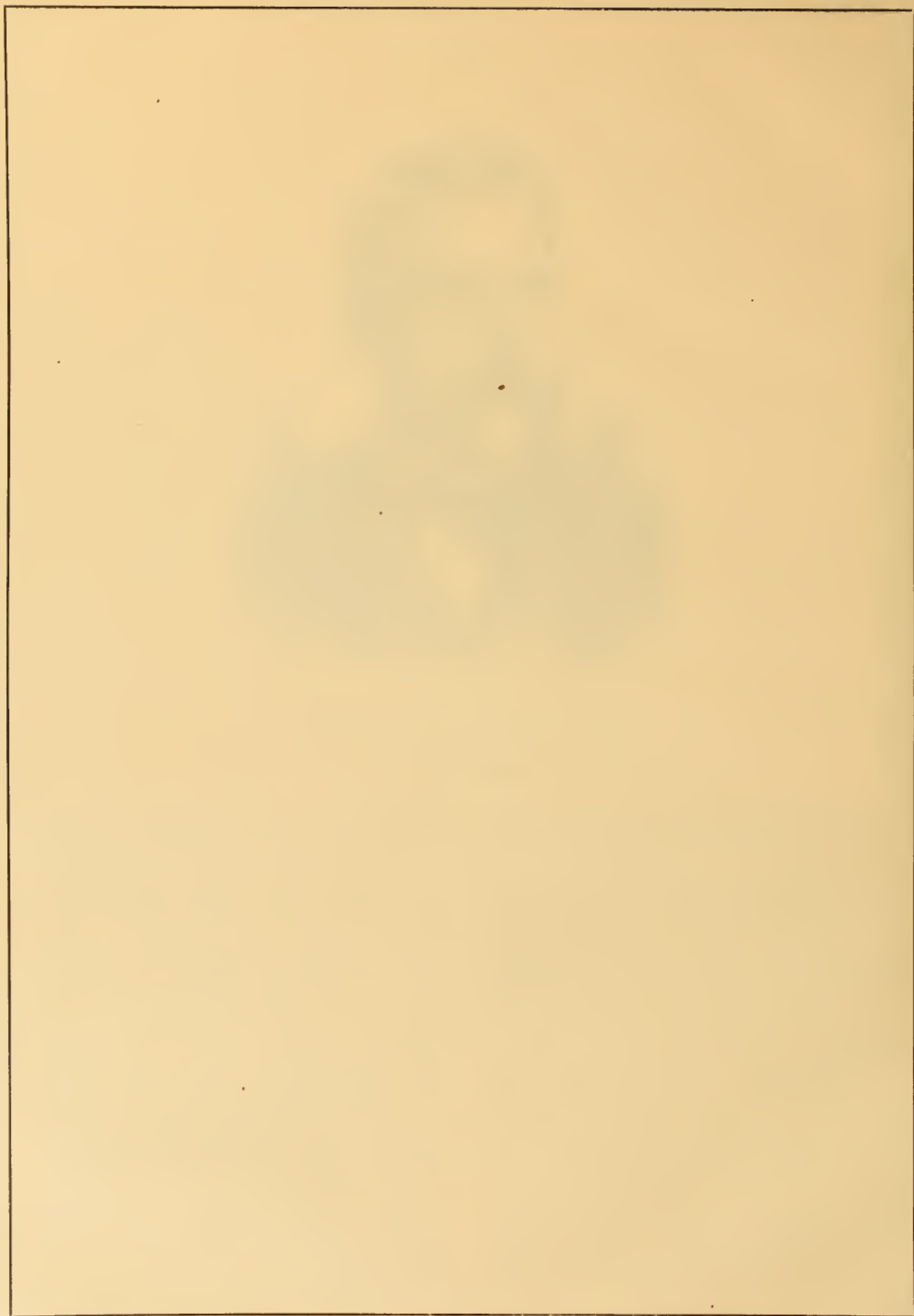


HON. JOSEPH CLARK CRANDALL.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

HON. JOSEPH CLARK CRANDALL, Republican Senator from the Eleventh District, was born in South Kingston, R. I., September 2, 1832. He is a substantial farmer of Lebanon, to whose habits of industry, faithfulness, and thoroughness are superadded an unimpeached record for integrity and ability. He is a representative of the best element of New England life, an intelligent, active, prosperous farmer, full of the characteristics which have made New England what it is. For the past twenty years he has resided in Lebanon, and has been closely identified with the educational and religious interests of the community, occupying among other positions that of member of the Society Committee of the Lebanon Baptist Church. From 1876 to 1882, Senator Crandall was Selectman of his town, serving as chairman for the last five years, and as Town Agent. Although tendered a renomination he positively refused to accept it. He is at present Treasurer of the Town Deposit and

School Funds. In 1878 he represented Lebanon in the lower House of the Legislature, with credit to himself and honor to his town. The Eleventh District consists of fourteen towns and is regarded as a "close district." Senator Crandall's own town, in the recent election, gave him two hundred and forty-one votes, while his opponent received sixty-seven, a majority of one hundred and seventy-four, which is unprecedented in the annals of the town, and abundantly shows his personal popularity at home. The genealogy of the Senator shows him to have descended from a sterling ancestry. He is a son of Deacon Clark Crandall of South Kingston, who is remembered as a man of strong character and thorough integrity by those who enjoyed his acquaintance. Senator Crandall's estimable wife is a daughter of the late Benjamin Carpenter, also of South Kingston. He is a Republican in politics. The present session he is Chairman of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture.



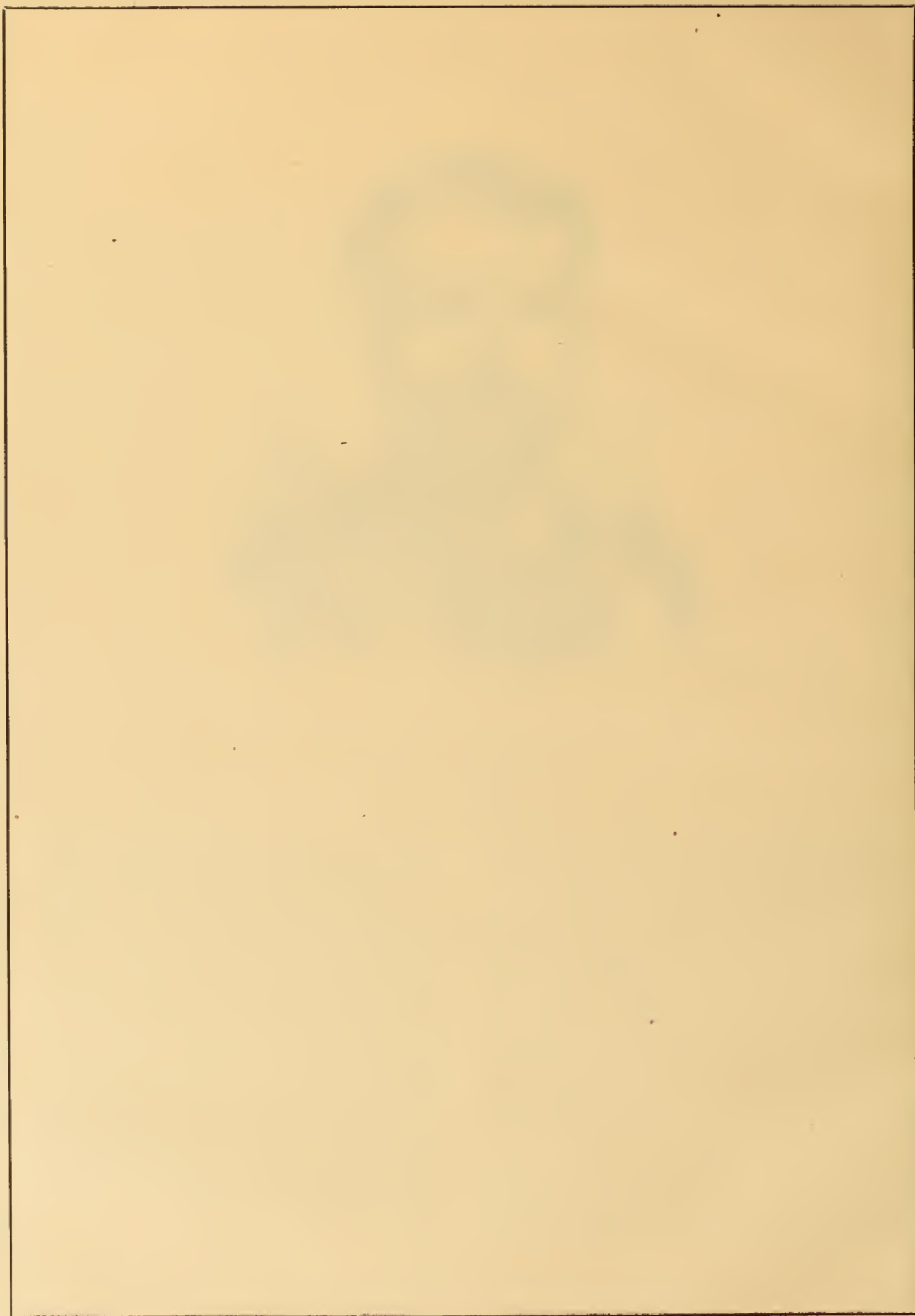


HON. EDWIN L. SCOFIELD.

DISTRICT NO. 12

HON. EDWIN LEWIS SCOFIELD of Stamford, Republican Senator from the Twelfth District, was a member of the House in 1882, when he served upon the Judiciary Committee. He at once sprang into prominence, and his success in the House was one of the leading features of the session. He was born in Stamford, June 18, 1852, and is one of the youngest members of the General Assembly. His early education was derived from select schools, and in 1873 he entered the senior class of the Columbia College Law School, and was graduated in the spring of 1874. Just at that time he attained his majority, and was immediately admitted to the Fairfield County bar, and has since pursued his profession at Stamford, building up a large practice. Though still a young man, his career has been one of great success. He has held the positions of Town

Counsel of Stamford and Borough Attorney, and was Prosecuting Agent for Fairfield County for four years. While a member of the House in 1882, in addition to his place on the Judiciary Committee, he was Chairman of the Committee on New Counties and County Seats. In the Senate, at the last session, he was Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, the most important of the committees, and he served with distinction. He is a sound and ready debater, and his explanations of law points are clear and concise. In the southwest section of the State he is a leading member of the Republican party. In the Senate of 1884 he was Chairman of the Judiciary Committee and also of the Committee on State of Gov. Buckingham and a member of the Committee on Executive Nominations.





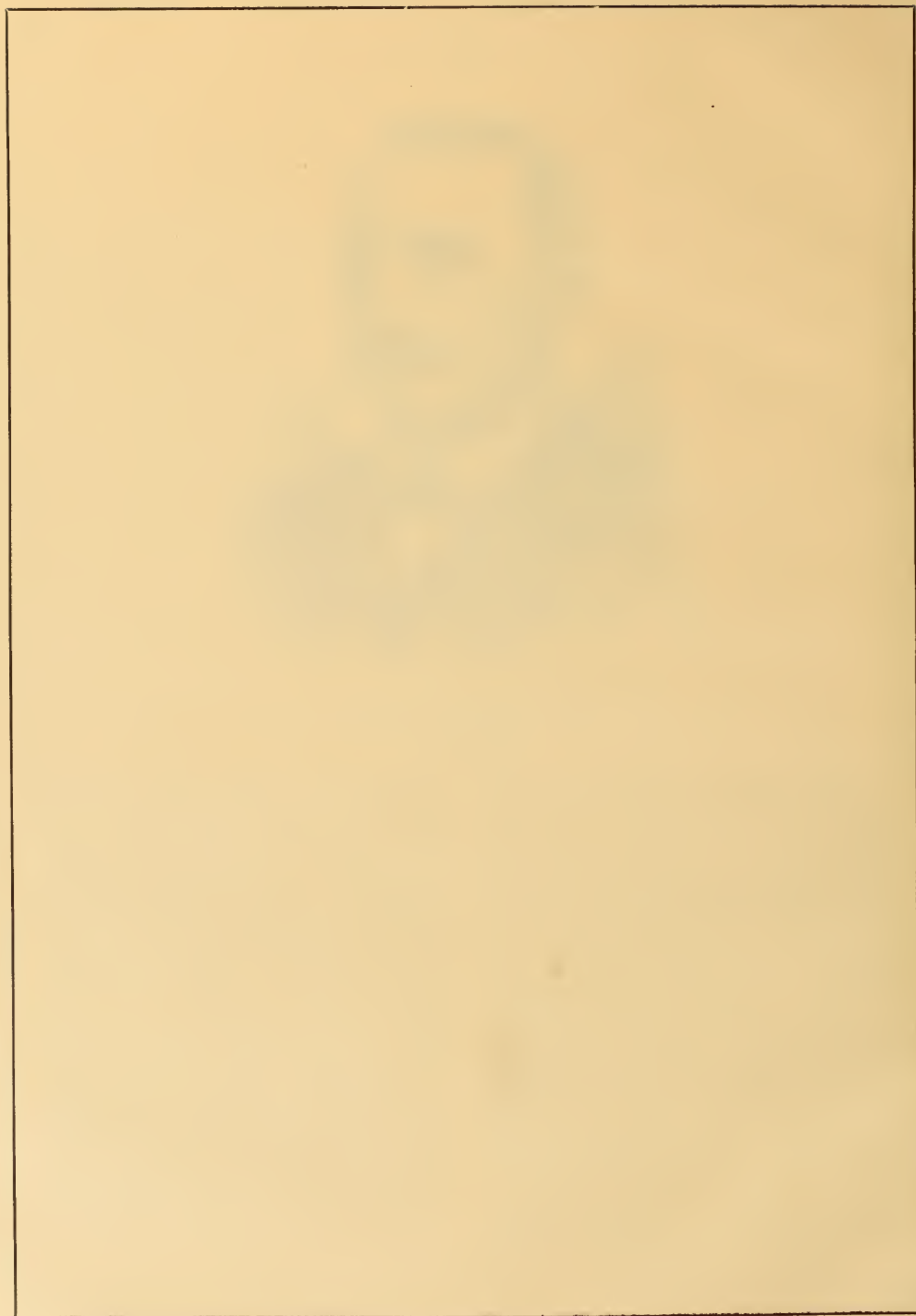
HON. JAMES W. HYATT.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

JAMES W. HYATT,* who represents this important district, was born in Norwalk, and is forty-six years of age. He studied in the common schools until he was thirteen years of age, when he commenced an active business life. Step by step he rapidly and steadily advanced and we find him from 1860 to 1872, a trusted clerk with the banking firm of Le Grand Lockwood & Co. of New York. Since his return to Norwalk, Conn., in 1873, he has had positions of trust placed in his charge. In 1873 he was elected Justice of the Peace and also Vice President of the Danbury & Norwalk Railroad Company, which office he held until 1881 when he was elected President. In 1874 he was elected President of the Norwalk Horse Railroad Company and has been reelected each year since. In 1875 and 1876 he represented the Town of Norwalk in the State Legislature, and was appointed on the House Committee on Finance, a position of considerable importance, and in 1876 did much excellent work for the

Commonwealth. In 1876 Governor Ingersoll appointed him Bank Commissioner to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Hon. George M. Landers, who was returned to Congress. This position he has held ever since, having been reappointed by Governors Hubbard, Andrews, and Bigelow, discharging its duties with rare fidelity, and drawing to him as friends, all with whom he has had to do. Mr. Hyatt is a straightforward Democrat; one of the old school, an opponent whom the Republicans love to meet. He is of a nervous temperament, active, and of positive character. Quick to resolve and act, he is a discriminating student of human nature, strong and loyal in his friendships. With his election in a district ordinarily Republican, his popularity and integrity had much to do. To the new position to which he was thus fittingly called, he has brought mature judgment, and the result of long experience in public and business life.

* Mr. Hyatt was re-appointed Bank Commissioner by Governor Waller, on the 30th of February, and resigned his seat in the Senate.



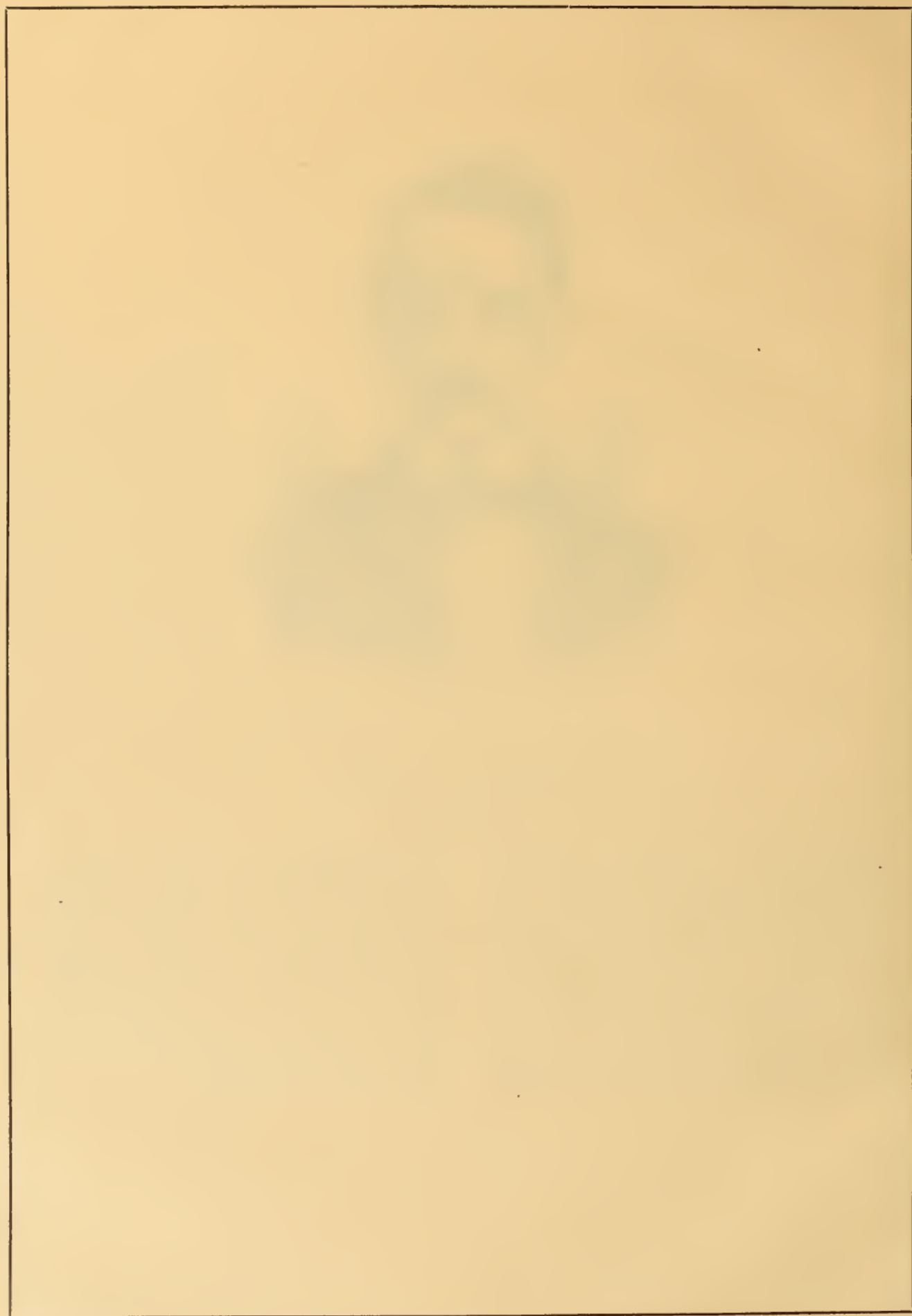


HON. ROBERT E. DEFOREST.

DISTRICT NO. 14

HON. ROBERT E. DEFOREST, of Bridgeport, Democratic Senator from the Fourteenth District, was born at Guilford, February 20, 1845. He received a liberal education, and in 1867 graduated from Yale College. Since graduating from college he has followed the legal profession, and is a leading member of the Fairfield County Bar. He has held the offices of Assistant Attorney, and City Attorney of Bridgeport, was elected Mayor of the city in 1877, and served one year, and was Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for

Fairfield County, for three years. In 1881 he represented Bridgeport in the House of Representatives, David M. Reed being his colleague, and was Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, which had before it the very important Oyster Steam Dredging Bill. Last year he was Senate Chairman of the Committee on the Sale of Lands. This year he is Chairman of the Committee on Roads and Bridges. Judge DeForest is very popular in his District, and was elected in the fall of 1882 by a large majority.



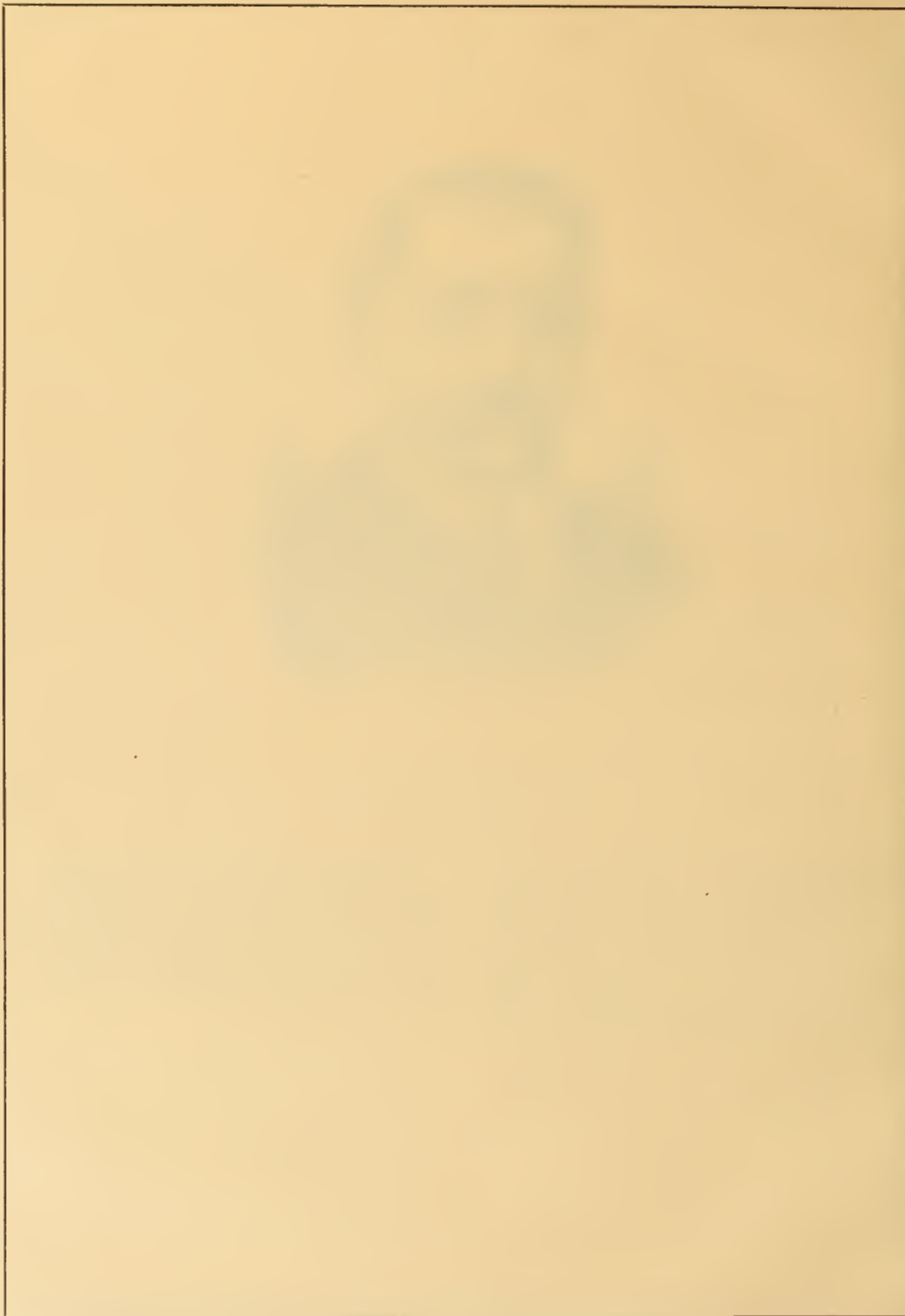


HON. SMITH P. GLOVER.

DISTRICT NO. 15.

HON. SMITH PEEK GLOVER, Senator from the Fifteenth District, is a resident of Newtown, where he was born on August 16, 1837, his present age being forty-six years. During his life he has been engaged in mercantile pursuits and has been very successful. In 1872 he was elected State Senator from the Eleventh District, in which Newtown was at that time included, and served

as Chairman of the Committee on the Sale of Lands. He is a Republican, and succeeds Hon. William N. Northrop, Democrat. At this session of the Senate he is Chairman of the Committee on Finance and of the Committee on Elections. Before the former committee there were many important measures.





HON. CLARK E. BARROWS.

DISTRICT NO. 16.

HON. CLARK E. BARROWS of Eastford, Republican Senator from the Sixteenth District, was a member of the House of Representatives in 1879, when he served upon the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison and also upon the Special Committee to Investigate the Management of the Prison. The inquiry resulted in a radical change in the management; a change that has added much to the reputation of the State. The present is the second year of his term as a Senator. Last year as Chairman of the Committee on Temperance he did good work and his executive ability materially contributed to the dispatch of business brought before his associates and himself. He was also Chairman of the Special Committee on Woman Suffrage. At this session he is Chairman of the Joint Standing Committee on Cities and Boroughs. Senator Barrows was born in Eastford, Conn., Sept. 7, 1843, a descendant, in the fifth generation only, of one of the Pilgrim families that landed at

Plymouth. The Barrowses have been exceedingly long lived. The Senator's grandfather died last winter at the advanced age of 98. The Senator's education was obtained from the common schools and the Dudley academy in Massachusetts. He is Junior Member of the Firm of J. D. Barrows & Son, Manufacturers of Leather, and has been engaged in business since 1864, and since 1865 he has been School Visitor in the town, and held the office of Collector and other minor positions. He is now a member of the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut Hospital for the Insane at Middletown. His father was a member of the House in 1852 and 1859, and a Senator in 1869-1870. Mr. Barrows is a gentleman of cordial manners and easy address, and his experience in legislative matters has been of great value in the Senate. His majority in the new Sixteenth District was 773, an evidence of his great popularity.





HON. THOMAS G. CLARKE.

DISTRICT NO. 17

HON. THOMAS G. CLARKE of Canterbury, who represents the Seventeenth District in the Senate is a Republican and was born in Franklin, seventy-three years ago. He pursued an advanced course of study and entered the East Windsor Theological Seminary, from which he graduated in 1841. This Seminary is now the Hartford Theological Seminary and has in its faculty as professor-emeritus, Dr. Thompson, to whom Senator Clarke recited in Hebrew. But the most noted professor in the Senator's time was Dr. Tyler who was the great doctrinal antagonist of Dr. Taylor, the New Haven theologian. Elderly people will remember distinctly the great Tyler Taylor controversy. The doctor wrote many controversial essays upon theological questions, including the question of total depravity. After graduation Senator Clarke took charge of the church in

the town of Scotland and did much successful work. He afterward preached in many pulpits throughout the State, his sermons being characterized by a stern adherence to the true theology. Continuance in the active duties of his profession as a minister was prevented by ill-health and the death of his brother who had been selected to take charge of the homestead farm. In these contingencies he felt it his duty to withdraw from a pursuit which he had embraced with so much enthusiasm and to succeed his father as a successful farmer. Since then he has been prominent in Canterbury both in religious and secular life. For twenty-five years he has been Superintendent of the Sunday-school, a position he still occupies, and is an active officer of the church. He has been a Selectman and Acting School Visitor and has held other posi-

tions of trust. As a descendant of the Puritans, the Senator has retained much of their noble character. During the bitter anti-slavery contest he was staunch and outspoken; never a compromiser with evil. Indeed it was in Canterbury, in the very house in which he now lives, that Prudence Crandall kept a school for colored children, and even in the God-fearing State of Connecticut, was persecuted therefor. He remembers that it was once seriously debated at a meeting of the ecclesiastical society connected with the congregational church whether it were advisable to permit Miss Crandall to seat her scholars in the prominent pews. It had been the custom to give them the worst seats, behind the doors, where nobody cared to sit, and there was a strong movement to keep them there. The Senator's father was a staunch friend of the race and advocated their cause, whereupon a lawyer sneeringly retorted that, with all his ardor for the colored children, Mr. Clarke would not permit one of them to sit with his family. This was supposed to be particularly incisive because Mr. Clarke had an exceedingly attractive daughter. "I do not say that I would," replied Mr. Clarke, "but he may come and sit beside me." There was no further controversy. Senator Clarke and

his father were the first signers of the temperance pledge in Canterbury. They encountered much opposition, and when they refused to use rum as an auxiliary to haying it was predicted that they would be unable to harvest their crop. This woful prediction, owing to the determined character of the Clarkes, was not fulfilled. They were never of the temporizing class. "He will join the movement when it becomes popular," said of a lawyer's attitude to the temperance question, could never be said of them. They were abolitionists and temperance reformers when both issues were much the reverse of popular. Senator Clarke's first wife was a niece of Andrew T. Judson, one of the earliest Judges of the United States Court for the District of Connecticut. He tried the celebrated *Armistead* negro case, and achieved a wide reputation as a jurist. The New York District Judges called him in frequently to assist them in clearing the docket.

Senator Clarke represented Canterbury in the House last year and was an efficient member of the Committee on Fisheries. This year as a Senator he is Chairman of the Committee on Forfeited Rights and of the Committee on New Counties and County Seats.

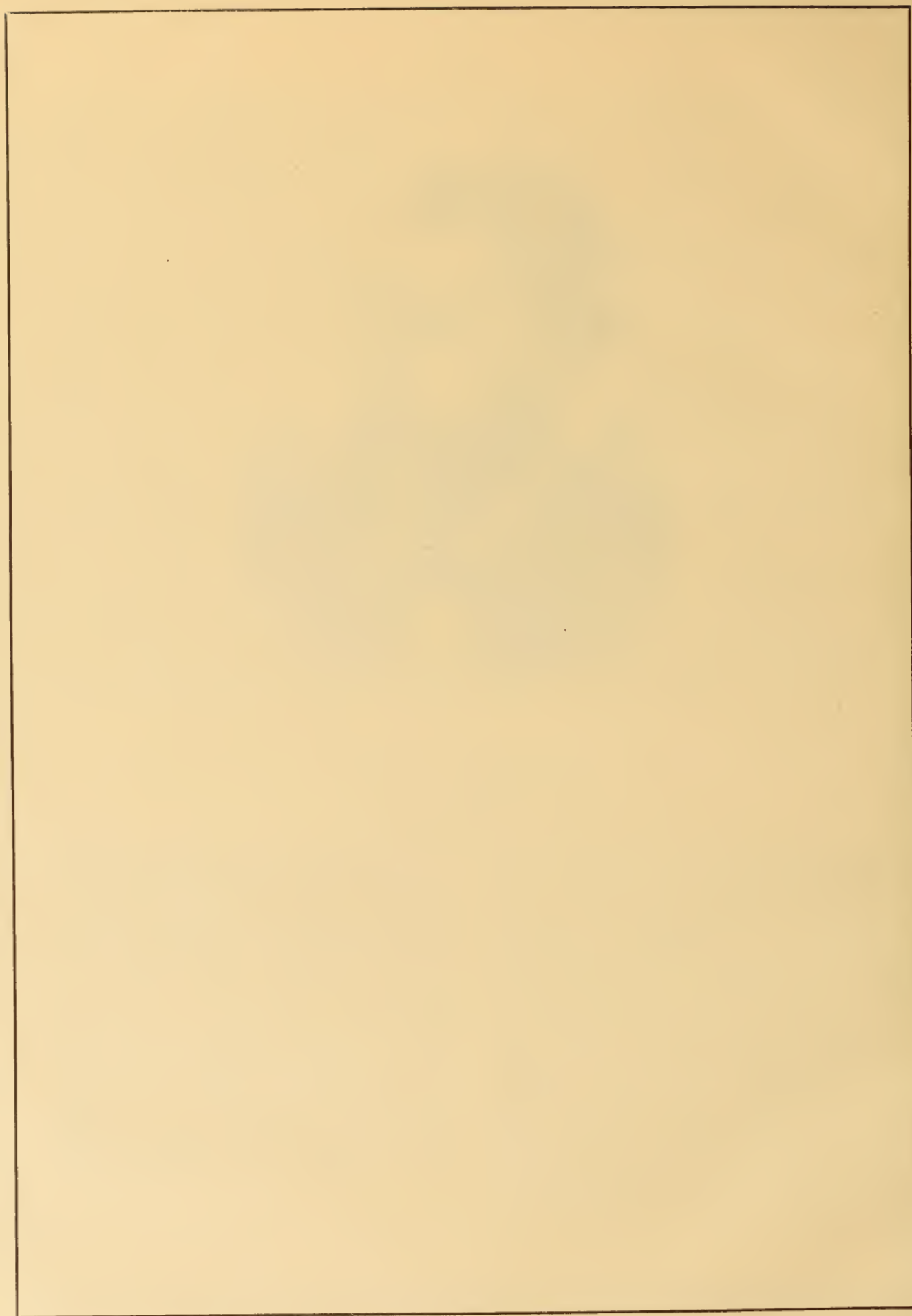


HON. LORRIN A. COOKE.

DISTRICT NO. 18.

HON. LORRIN ALANSON COOKE, of Barkhamsted, Republican Senator from the Eighteenth District, was first chosen a member of the Senate in 1881, and at the Session of 1882 served as Chairman of the Committee on Education. When the new apportionment of Senatorial Districts went into force, in November, 1882, Mr. Cooke was re-elected Senator from the Eighteenth District, for the regular term of two years. Last year he was again Chairman of the Committee on Education and did good service. He was born at New Marlboro, Mass., April 6, 1831, and received a common school and academic education. For several years he was engaged in farming and for twelve years in teaching, but for the past fourteen years he has been interested in

manufacturing, holding at present the position of general agent, and also that of Secretary and Treasurer of the Eagle Seythe Company of Riverton. He was a Junior Member of the House of Representatives in 1856, representing the town of Colebrook, and has held the several offices of Postmaster at Riverton, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and Acting School Visitor. He was one of four who refused to bend the knee to Barclay, and instead of voting for James Dixon for U. S. Senator, cast their ballots every time for Gillette, the abolitionists' candidate. Senator Cooke is President *pro tem.* of the Senate and Chairman of the Committee on Education and of the Committee on Engrossed Bills.





HON. MILO B. RICHARDSON.

DISTRICT NO. 19.

HON. MILO B. RICHARDSON, of Lime Rock, in the town of Salisbury, Democratic Senator from the Nineteenth District, was re-elected Senator at the November elections. At the session of 1882 he was Chairman of the Committee on Sale of Lands, and last year of the Committee on New Towns and Probate Districts, and a member of the Committee on Executive Appointments, which positions he retains this year. He was born at Lime Rock, February 13, 1849, and was educated principally at the Rocky Dell Institute in his native village, under the charge of Mr. J. H. Hurlburt. For a short time also he attended the Edwards Place School at Stockbridge, Mass. Since his twenty-first year he has been engaged in the management of important interests of the Barnum-Richardson Company and other corporations. He is at present a

Director and Assistant Treasurer of the former concern and a Director in many other corporations, engaged in the mining and manufacture of iron in Connecticut and other States. In the spring of 1872, when only twenty-three years of age, he was nominated on the Democratic State Ticket for Treasurer, with Richard D. Hubbard. In 1874 he was chosen a Representative from Salisbury by the largest majority ever given in that town. The same year he was appointed an aid on the staff of Governor Charles R. Ingersoll, with the rank of Colonel. Since 1875 he has been an active and influential member of the Democratic State Central Committee. Senator Richardson is a son of Leonard Richardson and grandson of Milo Barnum. The latter was born at Dover, Dutchess County, N. Y., July 16, 1790, and removed to Lime Rock in 1820. In a

few years he acquired a liberal property and founded the great house with which his name is still connected, the Barnum-Richardson Company. He died May 10, 1860. Leonard Richardson, the father of Senator Richardson, was born at Willsborough, Essex County, N. Y., September 10, 1808. His ancestors emigrated from Scotland to Quebec about 1775, whence they removed to Willsborough. While Leonard was quite young his parents emigrated to Sharon, Conn. In 1825 he engaged as a clerk in the store of Milo Barnum, at Lime Rock. April 16, 1832, he married Lucy Ann, daughter of his employer, by whom he had three children, Milo Barnum, James

Leonard, and Caroline Barnum. In 1830, in conjunction with his father-in-law, with whom he had become associated in business, he built a foundry for re-melting pig-iron, and in a few years William H., son of Milo Barnum, was taken into the firm. The business prospered greatly, and became the foundation of the great corporation which now controls the entire Salisbury iron interest. Besides the manufacture of pig-iron, the house is largely interested in the manufacture of car wheels at Lime Rock, Jersey City, and Chicago, and of cars at Huntington, West Virginia.



HON. OWEN B. KING.

DISTRICT NO. 20.

HON. OWEN BROWN KING, of Watertown, Democratic Senator from the Twentieth District, was born in Hudson, Ohio, August 10, 1817. He is a nephew of John Brown, who gave his life at Harper's Ferry in behalf of freedom for the colored race. Senator King's education was acquired in a Log Cabin School house, and at the age of eleven years his course of study terminated, and he was placed in a store. At the age of sixteen he was engaged as head clerk in a large dry-goods store in his native town, and from that time his career has been highly successful. He remained at Hudson until 1849, when he was called by Scovill & Buckingham to Connecticut, to take charge, as Assistant Overseer, of their factory at Watertown. When the corporation now known as the Scovill Manufacturing Company, of Waterbury, was formed, Senator King

was made foreman, and continued in that capacity until 1857. In that year he assumed a position as salesman with the Wheeler & Wilson Manufacturing Company, and remained with them until 1865. He then returned to Watertown to settle for life. He soon saw the necessity for some kind of stimulus in the way of improvements in the town, and was instrumental in building the Warren House, a fine hotel and popular summer resort, which cost \$150,000. He was also one of the chief movers in the Watertown & Waterbury Railroad project, and procured the charter for the road. He was elected president of the company and took entire charge of the construction of the road, and purchased most of its supplies. Some time ago he resigned the presidency, but still retains his interest in and is a director of the company. In other matters

Senator King is largely interested. He has been for thirteen years one of the trustees of the New England Agricultural Society, and is a vice-president in both the State and County Societies. He assisted in procuring the State appropriation of \$200 to County Agricultural Societies and \$100 to Local Societies, and procured the act of incorporation of the Watertown Agricultural and Horse Association, of which he was the first vice-president, and in the second year was elected executive officer, a position which he has held for thirteen years. In 1869 Mr. King was elected State Senator from the Sixteenth District, and

has held besides many public offices. In 1856 he was a member of the Waterbury Common Council, and was one of the committee which built the first reservoirs for the protection of the city against fire. He was once elected City Sheriff of Waterbury, but served only for a short time. From 1879 to 1882 he was a Justice of the Peace in Watertown. For the past sixteen years he has been engaged in breeding fancy Devon cattle and working oxen. At the session last year Senator King was Chairman of the Committee on Manual and Roll, and occupies the same position this year.



*Hon. JOHN ALLEN.

DISTRICT NO. 21

One of the most conspicuous persons in the Senate is Hon. JOHN ALLEN of Old Saybrook. He is well known throughout the State, for he has been a prominent figure in business affairs. During the war he devoted himself to the service of the State, doing in its Legislative halls and for its financial interests what other noble men were doing in the field. In Hartford he is exceptionally well known, a daughter having married Hon. William Hamersley. The eldest son of Levi Allen, a farmer and prominent citizen of Meriden, New Haven County, Conn., he was born at that place on the 6th day of February, 1815, and is a lineal descendant of Deacon Roger Allen, one of the early settlers of New Haven. After receiving a good Academic education he was placed in the store of Major Elisha A. Cowles, in his native town, where,

under the several changes in the style of the firm, he served a clerkship from the age of fourteen to twenty. In the spring of 1836 he removed to New York and entered the employ of Perkins, Hopkins & White, wholesale merchants, then extensively engaged in the dry goods jobbing business with the South. He remained with that firm in confidential relations through a period of unusual instability and difficulty in the mercantile affairs of the country, during which time, by active participation in the business, he gained valuable experience in laying the foundation of his future prosperity. Upon the reorganization of that firm in 1842, he became interested as a partner with Perkins & Hopkins; and upon a subsequent organization, was of the house of Hopkins, Allen & Co. It was, however, as a member of the last named firm, whose high reputa-

tation was a fitting tribute to its enterprise, integrity, and success, that he became prominently known to the business world.

On the 10th day of November, 1847, he was married to Mary Ann Phelps, daughter of the late Hon. Elisha Phelps of Simsbury, Connecticut.

His intercourse with the people of the South made him familiar with their views and policy in reference to the institution of slavery, and perceiving the growing antagonism between free and slave-labor, which foreshadowed serious difficulty to the country, he resolved to withdraw from mercantile business (then conducted largely upon credit) and established a residence in the town of Old Saybrook, Connecticut, where his family now resides. Being in active sympathy with the Government of the United States, in its efforts to maintain its integrity and suppress the rebellion, he received an unsought nomination to represent the Nineteenth Senatorial District in the State Senate of Connecticut, and was elected thereto in 1863, and again in 1864, and in both years was Chairman of the Joint Standing Committee on Finance, whose labors were of the highest importance in that critical period of public affairs when the State was raising money for the war. The financial measures recommended by that committee and adopted by the legislature not only enabled the State to creditably place its full quota of men in the field, but established a policy in the revision of the tax laws which has met the approval of the people of the State for twenty years and reduced to a minimum amount the public debt. The present equitable method of taxing railroad property, on the basis of what it will sell for, by which the market value of its stock and bonds is made the measure of value of such property for purposes of taxation was suggested by him.

On the 17th day of June, 1864, Mr. Allen introduced into the Connecticut Legislature the first resolution in favor of the abolition of slavery by constitutional amendment, which resolution was as follows:

GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

May Session, 1864.

"WHEREAS: The formidable rebellion now existing against the authority of the United States originated in a conspiracy to subvert our free institutions and establish a separate government based upon the institution of human slavery; and whereas such slavery is incompatible with the peace, prosperity, and union of all portions of our common country, therefore be it

"Resolved: That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be and they are hereby requested to use their efforts to secure the passage by Congress of the proposed amendment of the Constitution of the United States forever prohibiting human slavery within the limits of the National Union."

He was one of the delegates from Connecticut to meet a convention of loyal Southerners at Philadelphia on the third day of September, 1866, called to give expression to the sentiments of the people in support of Congress against the defection of Andrew Johnson. He was prominent in the movement that arrested the "peace flag" heresy at Saybrook or the raising of any flag not representing all the States of the Union. He was one of the Fellows of the Corporation of Yale College while he was Senator in the year aforesaid, the old law being that the six senior Senators were members *ex-officio* of that corporation.

In the Hayes presidential campaign of 1876, Mr. Allen was a Republican Presidential Elector in this State.

In 1867 he was elected President of the Peoria, Pekin & Jacksonville Railroad Company of the State of Illinois, which position he held in the active administration of the property for many years, during which time that part of its road from the town of Virginia to the city of Jacksonville was constructed.

In 1883 he was again elected to the State Senate from the Twenty-first District, formerly the Nineteenth, and was made Chairman of the Joint Standing Committee on Railroads, a position of no little responsibility, but for which his experience in Railroad affairs eminently qualify him. Mr. Allen is a sterling Republican, but is liberal in his political views concerning non-essentials.

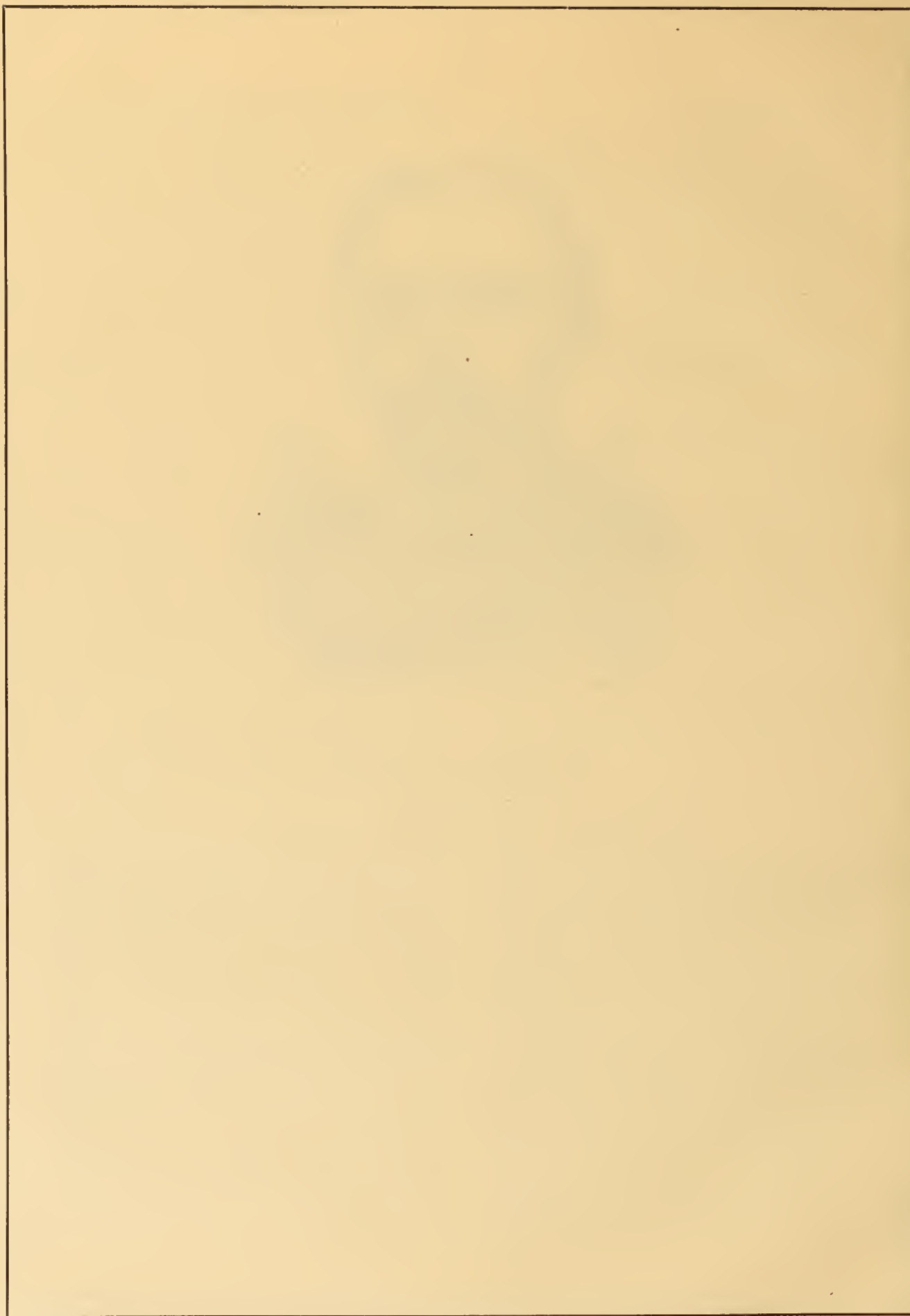


HON. JOSEPH W. ALSOP.

DISTRICT NO. 22

HON. JOSEPH W. ALSOP of Middletown, Democratic Senator from the Twenty-second District, entered upon the second half of his second term in the Senate with this session. He was first elected in 1880, and again in 1882. At each of these sessions at which he has represented his District, he has been Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, and has served with ability and success. He was born in New York City in August, 1838, and was educated at the Yale and Columbia Scientific Schools. He also pursued a complete course of medical study, graduating from the Medical Department of the University of New York in 1864. He served in both Boards of the Middletown Court of Common Council, and was a member of the House from Middletown in 1873, holding the position of Chairman

of the School Fund Committee on the part of that body. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut Hospital for the Insane at Middletown, and also of the Industrial School for Girls; also of the Russell Library of that city, Trustee and Treasurer of St. Luke's Home, and occupies other local offices of trust and responsibility. Senator Alsop is interested in agriculture and stock breeding, and his learning has been of incalculable value as Chairman of the Agricultural Committee, while in other branches of legislation his scholarly attainments, knowledge of affairs, and executive ability have won for him the esteem and confidence of his associates. He is Chairman of the Committee on Federal Relations, and on Unfinished Business.



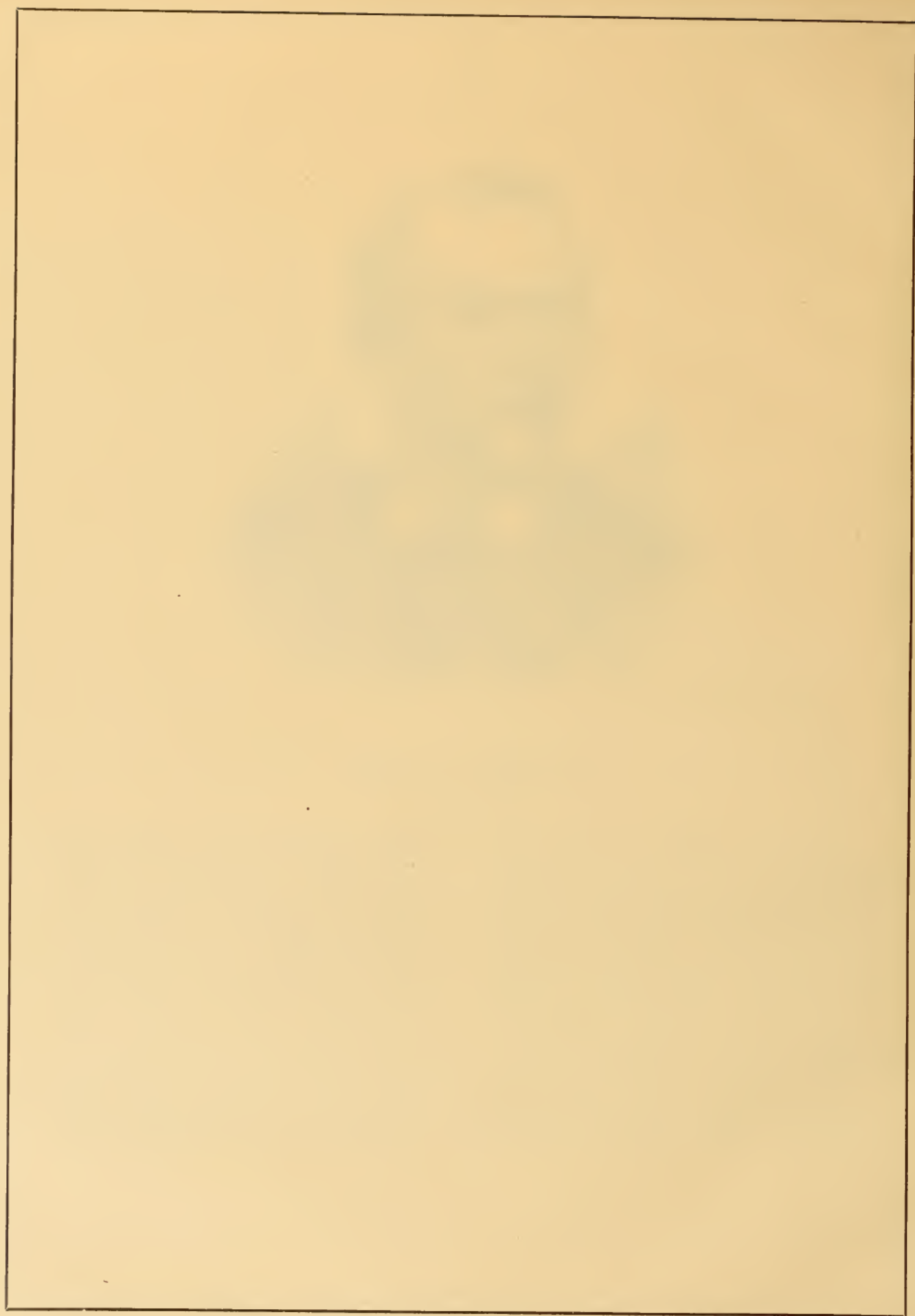


HON. MILO W. PEMBER.

DISTRICT NO. 23.

HON. MILO W. PEMBER of Vernon, Republican Senator from the Twenty-Third District, is no stranger in the path of legislation, he having been an influential member of the House in 1877, 1880, and 1881. He has been Treasurer of the Vernon Town Deposit Fund, and is a Director in the Rockville National Bank. In business life he has been very successful, and has built up a large trade in woolen goods. He was born in Ellington, January 16, 1833, and received a common-school education. His early life was passed on a farm, but since the age of twenty-one years he has been a resident of Vernon, his home being in Rockville. Senator Pember is an active and

energetic Republican, and has worked most efficiently in behalf of the interests of the party in Tolland county. The whole-heartedness with which he is accustomed to prosecute all his undertakings renders him a valuable leader or ally in political affairs, and accounts largely for the influence which he exerts in legislative deliberations. His convictions are prompt, earnest, and conscientious, and are adhered to with a tenacity which tolerates no opposition that is not founded on the best of premises or the clearest of evidence. Senator Pember occupies in the present Legislature the important position of Chairman of the Committee on Human Institutions.





HON. EBENEZER C. DENNIS.

DISTRICT NO. 24

HON. EBENEZER C. DENNIS of Stafford, Republican Senator from the Twenty-Fourth District, is also serving his second term in the Senate. In 1881, 1882, and last year, he was Chairman of the Committee on Claims, and rendered valuable service, especially in the Detective Farley, Avon murder claim. He was born at Hardwick, Worcester County, Massachusetts, July 26, 1834, and received a common-school and high-school education. He graduated from the New Salem, Mass., Academy, of which the famous Virgil M. Howard was principal. For a period of twenty years he was engaged in the wholesale hide and leather business, but is now occupied with the grain trade, both wholesale and retail. He has held the office of Assessor at Stafford for a number of

years, and also Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. He has taken a prominent part in local affairs, and was at one time Warden of the Borough of Stafford, and has been a Director in the Stafford National Bank for several years. Since 1856 he has been a Republican, and his character, both in private and public affairs, has made him a valued member of the party. Senator Dennis was first elected a member of the Senate from the Twentieth District, but under the new apportionment Stafford was included in the Twenty-Fourth, the District which he now represents. In the Senate this year he is Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries and of the Committee on Contingent Expenses.





HON. HENRY B. HARRISON.

THE SPEAKER

HENRY BALDWIN HARRISON was born at New Haven, Sept. 11, 1821, and is therefore in his sixty-third year. He studied at John E. Lovell's Lancasterian School in New Haven, and while taking the academic course at Yale, was Mr. Lovell's assistant. Notwithstanding this double strain he was valedictorian of his class—that of 1846. He fitted himself for the profession of law and began practice with Lucius G. Peck, a prominent Whig. Mr. Harrison was an ardent "Henry Clay Whig." In 1854 he was nominated by the Whigs for Senator in the Fourth District and elected by a vote of 2,597 against 1,718 for Charles Atwater, jr., Democrat. He was Chairman of the Committee on Prohibitory Liquor Law, and as such, framed the Maine law, which, although practically inoperative because public opinion did not seem to be behind it, was

so well constructed that it withstood all the legal assaults made upon it on constitutional grounds. He also drafted the Personal Liberty bill, that really nullified the Fugitive Slave law, which had been so prolific of perjury. By this the penalty for even pretending that a free person was a slave was fixed at five thousand dollars fine and five years in State Prison. Perjurers were similarly provided for, and strong provisions were inserted to secure the enforcement of the law. Upon the passage of the Kansas-Nebraska bill he interested himself earnestly in the slavery question and associated himself with the Free Soil party with which he continued to act until that party became merged in the Republican organization. In the winter of '55-'56, Mr. Harrison was among the handful of men who organized the Republican party in this State, and became its candidate for

Lieutenant-Governor in the spring of 1856. Gideon Welles of Hartford was the nominee for Governor. Mr. Harrison received 6,921 votes. The infant party had no hope of victory that year. Mr. Harrison was an ardent Republican through the struggle just before the civil war, and during the rebellion was a strong friend of Lincoln's administration, but he could be prevailed upon to accept no office. He continued to adhere closely to the law, in which he made a reputation for himself second to no man in the State. He assisted Charles R. Chapman of Hartford in the defense, at New Haven, of the murderer Willard Clark, who was acquitted on the sole ground of insanity. To this result his hard work contributed, but he never set much store by his triumph. It was as a business man's lawyer, as counsel for banks and corporations, in the interpretation of wills and the settlement of estates, that he found congenial occupation. He was methodical and persistent, and to these qualities, rather than to a vague genius, his success is to be attributed. His reputation as a profound and conscientious lawyer was not made by any one case, but by all his cases. In 1865 he was chosen Representative from New Haven with Eleazer K. Foster, and while his colleague became Speaker he was made House Chairman of two important committees—Railroads and Federal Relations. He prepared and reported a bill having in view low rates of commutation on railroads but it was defeated in the Senate after having passed the House. At the same session he made an elaborate speech in favor of amending the constitution by erasing the word "white," so as to allow colored men to vote. This probably added more to his reputation than anything he had ever done. The prominent and important part he took in the debates pointed him out

as the coming Republican candidate for Governor. He could have had the nomination in 1866, but friends of Gen. Hawley—just returned from the war—urged the claims of their favorite, and Mr. Harrison, without solicitation, wrote a letter positively withdrawing in the General's favor. He admitted that a war-stained patriot deserved the preference. In 1873 he was chosen to the House from New Haven with James F. Babcock, Democrat, and served with his usual efficiency on the Judiciary Committee. At this session he was also Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Convention and reported a bill for the calling of such a convention. He supported the bill in a carefully prepared argument which nobody even attempted to answer; but the fears of the country members were excited and the House voted the bill down. The next year he was nominated for Governor. John T. Wait was on the ticket as Lieutenant-Governor. Owing to sectional dissensions in the party he was defeated, although he polled nearly 40,000 votes. In 1878 he was considered a strong compromise candidate before the Republican caucus for United States Senator, but the choice finally rested upon O. H. Platt of Meriden.

Mr. Harrison's re-appearance in politics was not until last fall, when, owing to Democratic strife in New Haven he was nominated as Representative and elected by about 1,200 majority.

As Speaker of the House, for which position he was unanimously singled out as soon as his election was known, he presides with strict impartiality and for the best interests of the whole commonwealth. Mr. Harrison married a daughter of Judge T. B. Osborne, of Litchfield and New Haven, who was a professor in the Yale Law School, has no children, and enjoys a competency.



STEPHEN A. HUBBARD

Of Hartford, was born at Sunderland, Mass., August 20, 1827, and received a common and select school education. Governor Charles B. Andrews, now Judge of the Superior Court, was born also at Sunderland. Mr. George Hubbard, an ancestor of Mr. Hubbard, was one of the original settlers of Hartford, and a member of the first General Court. A son of George Hubbard, by name John Hubbard, settled with the Rev. Mr. Russell, at Hadley, Mass. One of his descendants was one of the first settlers at Sunderland. Mr. Hubbard's grandfather, Major Caleb Hubbard, was an old Revolutionary soldier, and was at Bunker Hill and at the surrender of Burgoyne. Mr. Hubbard learned the printers' trade at Amherst, Mass., on *The Hampshire and Franklin Express*. After that he worked on *The Northampton Courier*, *The Greenfield Gazette*, and also on *The American Republic*, one of the original Free Soil papers in Massachusetts. In 1850 he went to New York City and remained

there three years, working in *The Evening Post* printing department, principally in the law book publishing section, and in Snowden's job office in Wall street, attached to *The Courier and Enquirer*. In 1853 he returned from New York, and with Thomas M. Clark, started *The Western Herald*. On Mr. Clark's retiring from *The Herald*, the poet, Mr. E. C. Stedman, now of New York, was received into partnership with Mr. Hubbard. This arrangement continued for a year and a half, when Mr. Clark, who, in the meantime, had been conducting *The Brooklyn Daily*, returned from that city, and resumed his partnership with Mr. Hubbard. They remained in business together until April, 1861, when Mr. Hubbard was called to Hartford by General Joseph R. Hawley, and placed in charge of the business department of *The Evening Press*. General Hawley had enlisted for the three months' service, and desired Mr. Hubbard to assume the business management of his paper during his absence. He accordingly

telegraphed to Mr. Hubbard: "I have enlisted. Come in and see me." That proved to be the initial step in Mr. Hubbard's long connection with Hartford journalism. The arrangement, which was to last only three months, has continued for twenty-three years. In 1867, when the proprietors of *The Press* became interested in *The Courant*, Mr. Hubbard became the managing editor of the latter, and has since held that position. One of his associates on *The Press* was the late Wm. Faxon, who was called from his newspaper field to the Assistant Secretaryship of the Navy under Gideon Welles. Mr. Hubbard represented the town of Winchester in the Legislature in 1855. He was also Town Clerk there during that year. He took an active part in the Fremont campaign in 1856, and from that time his acquaintance with public men in the State rapidly increased. In 1858 he was a member of the Republican Convention which nominated the late Senator William A. Buckingham for Governor, whose associates on the ticket were Julius Catlin for Lieutenant-Governor, John Boyd for Secretary of State, Lucius J. Hendee, now President of the Aetna Insurance Co., for Treasurer, and William H. Buell of Clinton, for Comptroller. Since then he has frequently served as a delegate in Republican Conventions, and was a member of the Convention that nominated Charles B. Andrews in 1878, acting as a substitute for the Hon. Henry C. Robinson. He has never sought nor desired political position for himself, but both his inclination and his position as a journalist have led him into activity in politics, as a worker in the ranks, in all the presidential, State, and local campaigns of the last twenty-five years. He has been ready to give largely of his time and strength to any cause which enlisted his sympathies, or for the support of men representing the principles in which he believed. His life work has been that of a journalist. He is a director in the Phoenix Fire Insurance Company. During the past summer he spent three months abroad with General Hawley, traveling in Great Britain and on the Continent. For several years Mr. Hubbard was an active member of the Hartford City Guard, and is at present connected with the Veteran Association of that command. As a citizen of Hartford he possesses the fullest confidence of the public.

FITCH L. BISHOP

Of Avon, has been first Selectman of that town for five years, and was a member of the House in 1870. He is a farmer by occupation, and in politics is a Republican. Mr. Bishop was born at Avon, October 5, 1828, and received a common school education.

SAMUEL C. WILCOX

Of Berlin, was born at Berlin, December 11, 1811, and received a common school education. He has been an active business man, having held the positions of President of the Roys & Wilcox Company of Berlin, also of the J. O. Smith Manufacturing Company, and the Berlin Iron Bridge Company, director in the Peck, Stow & Wilcox Company, the Phoenix National Bank, and the Southington National Bank. But of late he has not been actively engaged in business pursuits, living in retirement. For the last seven years he has held the position of first Selectman in Berlin, and is a Democrat in politics.

HENRY GRAY

Of Bloomfield, was born at Windham in 1825, and graduated from the Medical Department of Dartmouth College in 1847. He was formerly a resident of Eastford, where he held the office of Town Clerk and Treasurer. His medical practice has commanded his attention almost exclusively for thirty years. Early in life he was engaged in teaching, and for the past sixteen years he has held the position of Acting School Visitor at Bloomfield. He has also been Superintendent of the Sunday-school connected with the Congregational church in Bloomfield for twelve years. Dr. Gray's grandfather, Samuel Gray, was Deputy Commissary General under Governor Trumbull; he graduated from Dartmouth in the first class ever graduated from that institution. Dr. Gray's father, Thomas Gray, was a lawyer well known in the eastern part of the State, and a graduate of Yale College. In politics he is a Republican, and his election was a Republican gain, the town of Bloomfield having been Democratic for a number of years.



LEVERETT BRAINARD

Of Hartford, is one of the leading business men of this city, and is closely identified with its industrial, insurance, and financial institutions. He is the Secretary and Treasurer of The Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company, the largest printing and publishing house in Connecticut; President of the Hartford Paper Company, which controls an extensive industry at Poquonoc and Rainbow; Director in the Etna National and State Savings Banks, in the Orient Fire, the Etna Life and the Connecticut General Life Insurance Companies, and also in the Hartford Silver Plate Company. Mr. Brainard's business interests and investments have been located principally in Hartford, his preferences for the most part having been in favor of manufacturing industries. No better business man could have been selected for Representative from the Capital City, and he ably sustains in that capacity the highest aims, purposes, and instincts of the business man.

He has been engaged in active life here for upwards of thirty years, and has impressed himself in the most favorable manner on the business history of the city. He became a resident of Hartford in 1853, when he was elected the first Secretary of the City Fire Insurance Company. For two years before that time he was the General Manager of the Pittsburgh Life Insurance Company at Pittsburgh, Pa. He remained with the City Fire until he entered into partnership with the old firm of Case, Lockwood & Brainard. Subsequently the firm was incorporated by the Legislature, and Mr. Brainard became the Secretary and Treasurer, a position which he still retains. He was one of the founders and organizers of the Hartford Paper Company, which has two mills at Poquonoc and Rainbow, the daily capacity of the works being six tons of fine hand and colored paper. He has been the controlling spirit in the company for twenty years. His

brother, Albert Brainard, was Treasurer of the Company until his death, which occurred four years ago. Mr. Brainard has represented the Second ward in the Court of Common Council, and has always manifested a deep interest in local affairs and the prosperity of the city. He was formerly an active member of the Governor's Foot Guard, and is at present connected with the veteran corps of that organization. At the November election he led his ticket by 220 votes, his total vote being 3,848. The vote for Senator aggregated 3,628, while that for his associate on the Representative ticket was 3,520. His vote may be accurately considered the measure of his personal popularity and standing with his constituents. Mr. Brainard was born at Westchester, in the town of Colchester, February 13, 1828, and received a substantial common school education there, the public school at Westchester affording special advantages by reason of the Day Fund which belongs to it. Afterwards he pursued a course of study at Bacon Academy, preparing him for educational work. He engaged in teaching for two years at Colchester and Salem, after which he entered the insurance business. His father was Amaziah Brainard, who twice represented the town of Colchester in the General Assembly. When Mr. Brainard was thirteen years of age, his father died, leaving to him, under his mother's direction, the care of the homestead, on which he spent his early life. From the time he was thirteen years old until now he has been a ceaseless worker, and the splendid business reputation which he has established has been the work of his own brain and hands, the proper record of intelligent industry and enterprise. Although a new member of the House, his large business experience places him among the foremost in influence with his associates.

GILBERT H. HOLCOMBE

Of Burlington, is a Republican in politics and has held the office of First Selectman and also that of Registrar of Voters, still retaining the latter position. His election was a Republican gain. He was born at Granby in February, 1838, and received a common school education.

Mr. Holcombe is engaged in the manufacture of hardware. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

ANSON W. BRISTOL

Of Canton, is a native of Canton Center, where he was born June 9, 1840. He was educated in the graded school at Collinsville, and is a farmer by occupation. He has been the Town Clerk at Canton since 1875, and is also a Justice of the Peace. During the war he was a fifer in Company I of the Twenty-Second Connecticut Regiment. In politics Mr. Bristol is a Republican.

PETER GROHMAN

Of East Granby, was born in Germany, December 22, 1828, and received an academic and theological education. In 1852 he removed to the United States, and has spent most of the time since in Hartford County. During the war he was a member of Company D of the Sixteenth Connecticut, holding the rank of Orderly Sergeant. He was captured with his regiment at Plymouth, N. C., April 20, 1864, and passed eleven months in rebel prisons, the greater portion of the time being at Andersonville. From that place his regiment was removed to Charleston and Florence, S. C., the sufferings and privations in the latter prison being almost as bad as they were at Andersonville. Many of Sergeant Grohman's company were natives of Germany, and enlisted from the cigar manufacturing firms at Suffield. Captain Hintz was their commander for a considerable period, but was transferred at last to Company C, the color company of the regiment. Grohman was a brave soldier, and was engaged in the battles of Antietam and Fredericksburg, and also in the siege of Plymouth. On returning home he settled at East Granby, and has resided there for sixteen years. He has been a member of the School Committee and Clerk of the School District. In politics he is a Democrat, and is engaged in manufacturing cigars. This is his first term in the House.



JOHN C. RUSSELL

Of Bristol, was born at Portland, October 16, 1848, and was educated in the public schools and academy. He is a member of the firm of D. B. Judd & Co., lumber and coal dealers, and was formerly a director in the Wilcox Judd Coal

and Lumber Company. He is a member of the Board of Relief at Bristol, and a Democrat in politics. The present is his first term in the Legislature, where he is serving on the Committee on Education.

SETH S. ALLEN

Of East Windsor, was a member of the Board of Selectmen for three years from 1878, and is a Republican in politics. He was a member of the Twenty-fifth Connecticut during the war, serving in the ranks. By occupation Mr. Allen is a farmer. He was born at East Windsor, July 21, 1839, and was educated in the common schools. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

CLINTON T. INSLEE

Of East Windsor, was born at Warehouse Point, in 1846, and received a common and select school education. For the past three years he has held the office of Town Auditor, and is one of the Ferry Commissioners at Warehouse Point. He is a manufacturer and dealer in cigars and tobacco. Politically Mr. Inslee is a Democrat. In 1883 he contested the seat in the House with Mr. John N. Clark, but the decision was against his claim, the seat being awarded to Mr. Clark.

JAMES MORRISON

Of Enfield, is a prominent Temperance leader and popular citizen at Thompsonville, where he has resided since 1860. He is a brother of Mr. Charles F. Morrison, who was a member of the House from Enfield in 1876, and will ably represent the interests of his town in the Legislature. Mr. Morrison has charge of one of the carding and spinning departments of the Hartford Carpet Company's works at Thompsonville. He was born at Peacham, Vt., and is forty-nine years of age. He was educated in the common schools at Framingham, Mass., where his early years were spent. He also acquired his occupation there, working in the Saxonville mills before removing to Connecticut. On coming to this State he entered the employ of the Greenville Worsted Company, residing at Norwich. He was also engaged with the Sterry Faucet Company for three years. In 1860 he removed to Thompsonville, and has lived there since that time. He is deeply interested in the Temperance cause, and is an active member of the Temple of

Honor at Thompsonville, and one of the leading members of the Order of Good Templars in the State. He is also a member of the Knights of Honor order. Mr. Morrison has been a member of the School Committee at Thompsonville, and is interested in the progress of education in his town. In politics he is a Republican. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

JOHN MIDDLETON

Of Enfield, was a member of the House during the session of 1883, serving on the Claims Committee. His duties in that capacity were discharged with marked ability and discrimination. He was careful and painstaking in his investigations, and presented his views forcibly on the floor of the House. Mr. Middleton is one of the most popular men in Enfield, and his election last fall, as well as in 1882, was highly complimentary to his personal standing with his fellow townsmen. In that part of the town comprising the school district in which he resides he received the vote of every Republican and Democratic elector, and led his ticket in each of the voting precincts. He was born in the County of Sligo, Ireland, and is forty-two years of age. He was a student in the University of Dublin when he decided on removing to America, and possesses a sound education. On reaching the United States he settled in Enfield, and has since resided there. He is engaged in farming and the lumber business, furnishing timber supplies extensively for railroad equipment. His lumber mills are at Melrose on the Connecticut Central road, and he employs a number of sets of hands in different parts of the State cutting supplies for his business. Though an active man in town affairs, he has never sought public distinction, but has repeatedly declined the acceptance of official position. It was only in response to an urgent call that he ran for Representative during both years that he has been elected. He is a pronounced Republican in politics, but is not guided in his course by party restrictions when public interests require conservative and independent action. He has made a useful legislator in all matters either in committee or on the floor, where strong common sense is needed.



SAMUEL D. BULL

Of Bristol, was born at Burlington, October 11, 1844, and received a common-school education in the schools of the town. He is now serving his eighth year as a member of the Board of Selectmen, and for two years has been First

Assistant Engineer of the Bristol Fire Department. He is a Democrat politically and is engaged in the livery business. The present is his first term in the Legislature. He is serving on the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

ERASTUS GAY

Of Farmington, was a member of the House last year, serving on the Committee on Banks. He was born in the town which he represents, July 26, 1843, and was fitted for college there in Principal Hart's School, but subsequently engaged in mercantile pursuits, entering into business with his father, Wm. Gay. He has been a member of the Republican Town Committee at Farmington since he was twenty-two years of age, and has frequently represented his town in the Republican State Conventions. Two years ago he was elected Town Treasurer by both political parties, receiving practically the whole vote of the town for that office. Mr. Gay is also treasurer of the Town Deposit Fund. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the State Bank in Hartford, the Farmington Savings Bank, and of the Standard Rule Company of Unionville. He is also one of the managers of the Farmington Creamery, and is in all respects an able and successful man of affairs. His course in the House last year was conservative, and his influence was recognized throughout the session by both political parties.

SHERMAN SANFORD

Of Farmington, was born at Avon, March 18, 1835, and was educated in the common schools. He has held the offices of Assessor and member of the Board of Relief, and is engaged in farming and lumbering. In politics he is a Republican. The present is his first term in the legislature.

P. HENRY GOODRICH

Of Glastonbury, was born at Portland, May 27, 1840, and was educated at Chase's Select School

at Middletown. He served as Sergeant in Company D., Twentieth Connecticut, and was with Sherman in the famous march through Georgia. He was in the battles of Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Averysborough and Bentonville, N. C. In the latter engagement, which was fought March 19, 1865, he was wounded. He was the first Union soldier to receive Major Henry L. Pasco of the Sixteenth Connecticut, when he escaped from the rebel prisons, and made his way through to the Union lines. Mr. Goodrich was an excellent soldier, and served three years with his command at the front. At the close of the war he settled in Glastonbury, where he is engaged as a merchant and dealer in seed-leaf tobacco. He holds the office of Justice of the Peace, and in politics is a Republican.

EUGENE S. STRICKLAND

Of Glastonbury, has been a member of the board of selectmen for three years and is engaged in farming. He was born at South Glastonbury, October 5, 1842, and received a common school and academic education. In politics he is a Republican. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

JOHN W. RUIC

Of Granby, has held the office of First Selectman for four years, and is thoroughly well informed concerning town and State interests. He is a farmer by occupation, and has one of the best farms in Granby. In politics he is a Republican. Mr. Ruic was born at Granby, February 2, 1833, and received a common school and academic education. He possesses the fullest confidence and esteem of his fellow townsmen and represents their interests faithfully in the Legislature.



GEORGE W. DARLIN

Of East Hartford, has been engaged in the grocery and provision business in the meadow district, for a number of years, and is a well-known Democratic citizen of the town. He is

at present a member of the Board of Relief, and treasurer of the Meadow School District. He was born at Rupert, Vt., February 13, 1825, and received a common school education.

WILLIAM CULLEN CASE

Of Granby, was born in Granby, February 17, 1836, and graduated from Yale College in the class of 1857. Among his classmates were Professors Cyrus Northrop, D. C. Eaton, and A. M. Wheeler of Yale College, Railroad Commissioner George M. Woodruff, Rev. Storrs O. Seymour and John C. Day of Hartford. After graduation he immediately entered upon the study of the law with the late Judge James D. Holt of Pittsfield, Mass., with the diligence and perseverance that had characterized his school and college days. When first admitted to the bar he took a high position, and for many years has been classed in the front rank of Connecticut's lawyers. In his preparation of causes he is thorough and exhaustive, and as an advocate and orator has but few equals in the entire State. He is, perhaps, best known by his political life, having represented the town of Simsbury in the House of Representatives during the years 1869, 1870, 1872, 1873, 1874, and in 1881, when he was chosen Speaker, and discharged the duties of the office with the highest ability and success. His splendid equipment as a debater, and good sense and sound judgment, made him a leader of his party, and largely to his efforts is due the wise and conservative legislation of that period. In 1876 he was nominated by the Republicans for the State Senate, and though the district was hopelessly Democratic, he made strong and vigorous inroads upon the customary Democratic majority. During the presidential campaigns of 1876 and 1880, he labored indefatigably for the success of the Republican nominees, and the party which has commanded his allegiance and services for so many years. The present session he is chairman of the Judiciary Committee, which makes him the acknowledged leader of the House.

WESLEY A. MILLER

Of Hartland, was born there September 17, 1852, and received a common school education. He holds the position of Superintendent of the Congregational Sunday-school at Hartland, and is actively interested in church affairs. But he has not held political office before. He is a Republican, and acts with that party in the Legislature. Mr. Miller is a farmer by occupation.

ALBERT N. STILLMAN

Of Hartland, has held the office of Constable for a number of years, and has been Deputy Sheriff under Sheriff A. W. Spaulding. He has resigned the position, however, in order to accept of the office of Representative. Mr. Stillman was born at Hartland, February 2, 1848, and received a common school education. He is a Republican politically, and is engaged in farming.

M. BRADFORD SCOTT,

The Republican member from Manchester, is engaged in the insurance business. He was born at Warehouse Point in 1843, and was educated at the Connecticut Literary Institute at Suffield, and Wesleyan Academy at Wilbraham, Mass. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

CLINTON W. COWLES

Of Manchester, was a member of the House during the sessions of 1881 and 1882, and was an active and influential member on the Democratic side. He has held the office of First Selectman for one term, Judge of Probate one term, and Notary Public for twelve years. Mr. Cowles was a good debater in the House, presenting his views ably and forcibly, and with good effect, not only with his political friends, but also with his opponents. He was born at Manchester, July 9, 1841, and was educated at the Suffield Institute. He is engaged in the hotel and livery business, and in farming.

CHARLES ANDREW CLARK

Of Marlborough, is a Democrat politically, and is engaged in farming. He has been a member of the Board of Selectmen for one year, and has served as Clerk and Treasurer of the school district in which he resides. He was born at Marlborough, January 28, 1847, and received a common school education. The present is his first term in the Legislature.



PATRICK GARVAN

Of East Hartford, was born at Castletown Roche, Comty Cork, Ireland, March 8, 1836, and attended the national and private schools there until he was fifteen years of age, when he came to America. He attended school after arriving here at East Windsor Hill, and at sixteen years of age he was apprenticed to the carpenter trade in East Hartford. At twenty-one he engaged in business for himself, and met with success as a contractor and builder. Eight years ago he retired from the building business and engaged in the paper trade at 207 State street, Hartford, where he had held a partnership interest for a considerable period. Mr. Garvan has been suc-

cessful in his business enterprises and is an able manager. He is actively interested in local affairs, and was one of the originators of the East Hartford Village Improvement Society. He was chosen its first president. For the past three years he has been the Chairman of the Board of School Visitors in East Hartford, and has been the treasurer of the Center District, where he resides, for a number of years. Mr. Garvan was a member of the State Convention which nominated Governor Andrews, and he has taken a deep interest in educational and political affairs in his town ever since he commenced his residence there thirty one years ago.

JAMES ANDREW PICKETT

Is one of the most prominent and successful business men in New Britain, and Mayor of the City. He is President of the Landers, Frary & Clark Company, and also of the Union Manufacturing Company, Vice-President of the New Britain National Bank, Director in the New Britain Savings Bank, and is interested in other financial and industrial institutions. His rank as a public officer, business man and citizen is very high, and secures for him an influential position in the House. He was for ten years an active member of the Sewer Commission in New Britain, and has given a great deal of time and attention to improving the sanitary condition of the city. Mayor Pickett was born at New Milford, March 9, 1829, and received a common school education. In politics he is a Republican.

CROMWELL O. CASE

Of New Britain, was born at West Granby, July 15, 1845, and received a common school education. The early years of his life were spent in North Canton. From 1863 until 1867 he resided in Hartford, serving an apprenticeship at Woodruff & Beach's. For the past fifteen years he has been in the employ of P. & F. Corbin at New Britain, holding the position of foreman of the machine department. He is one of the best machinists in New England. Mr. Case is a member of the Council Board at New Britain and is a Republican in politics.

HENRY FIELDS

Of Newington, was born at Waterbury, March 23, 1846, and received a common school education. He was formerly a night watchman at the State Prison at Wethersfield, but is now engaged in farming. Mr. Fields is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Board of Relief at Newington.

AQUILA H. CONDELL

Of Plainville, is the President of the Condell, Mastin & Butler Company of Plainville, carriage manufacturers, and one of the leading business men of the place. He was born in the Province of Ontario, Canada, July 3, 1849, and graduated from the Victoria High School at Brockville, Ontario. He is a member of the School Board at Plainville. In politics Mr. Condell is a Republican.

ALBERT D. GRISWOLD

Of Rocky Hill, was born at Wethersfield, July 28, 1834, and was educated at the Suffield Literary Institute. He has been a member of the Board of Selectmen, acting School Visitor for ten years, and Town Auditor. He is at present Chairman of the Board of School Visitors. Mr. Griswold is engaged in farming, and in politics is a Democrat.

JEFFERY O. PHELPS, JR.,

Of Simsbury, was born at Simsbury, August 30, 1858, and graduated at Williston Seminary, at East Hampton, Mass., in the class of 1879. From January, 1880, until February, 1883, he held the position of Treasurer of the Blodgett & Clapp Company of Hartford, dealers in iron and steel. He is at present Treasurer of the Iowa Mortgage Loan Company, and has his office at 295 Main Street. In politics Mr. Phelps is a Democrat. The present is his first term in the House. He comes of a representative family, as will be understood by the following record: Jeffery O. Phelps, his father, served one term in the House, and one in the Senate; Jeffery O. Phelps, his grandfather, served five terms in the House; Noah A. Phelps, his great-grandfather, served five terms; Noah Phelps, his great-great-grandfather, served nineteen terms; David Phelps, his great-great-great-grandfather, served seven terms; Joseph Phelps, his great-great-great-great-grandfather, served eighteen terms. Seven generations in a direct line.

GEORGE P. McLEAN

Of Simsbury, was a member of the House during the session of 1883, serving as Chairman of the Committee on State Prison and also as member of the Committee on Rules. It was principally due to his efforts that the new rule, adopted at the commencement of the session, restricting the floor to members, was abolished. Under the rule as it existed, the public were excluded from the floor. Mr. McLean as Chairman of the State Prison Committee reported the bill establishing a Board of Pardons, and delivered a strong and forcible speech in support of the measure. His facility in the debate and the cogency of his arguments made him one of the most influential members on the Republican side of the House. On the organization of the Board of Pardons in November, Mr. McLean was elected clerk, the position coming to him unsought. He was born in Simsbury, October 7, 1857, and was admitted to the Hartford County bar in 1881, after a thorough course of legal study in the office of Hon. Henry C. Robinson. He is a brother of the novelist, Miss Sally P. McLean, author of "Cape Cod Folks." Mr. McLean was formerly connected with the *Hartford Evening Post*, but gave up journalism for the law, for which he has especial taste and inclination. He has his law office in Hartford, but resides at Simsbury. He is a graduate of the Hartford High School, his class being that of 1877.

ELISHA J. NEAL

Of Southington, was born at Bristol, December 16, 1848, and received a common school and academic education, being a graduate of Lewis Academy at Southington. He has been Deputy Registrar of voters for several years, and Chairman of the Democratic Town Committee, having held the latter position for ten years. He is employed by the Peck, Stow & Wilcox Company, as book-keeper and salesman. In 1883 he was a member of the House for three weeks, but on contest the seat was awarded to his opponent Mr. J. F. Pratt, the latter having one majority. At the election in November, Mr. Neal's majority was ninety-nine. Many of the Republicans in the town voted for him on account of dissatisfaction with their own nominees, making his major-

ity larger than it would have been under ordinary circumstances. Mr. Neal made a speech last year against awarding his seat to Mr. Pratt, the Republican contestant, and presented his facts and positions with ability and clearness. While not a practiced public speaker, he knows how to express his convictions when occasion demands.

THOMAS B. ATWATER

Of Southington, was born at Southington, March 7, 1846, and received a common school and academic education. He has been a director in the Atwater Manufacturing Company and a member of the Democratic town committee at Southington. His father, Orrin Atwater, and his brother, James A. Atwater, have both been members of the General Assembly. He is engaged in the grain and feed business, and is a Democrat in politics. Mr. Atwater was elected by a majority of one hundred and one.

FRANK AVERY

Of South Windsor, is a native of that town, having been born there, February 12, 1847. He received a common school education, and is engaged in farming and the tobacco business. Mr. Avery is a Republican in politics. The present is his first session in the Legislature.

JAMES W. SPELLMAN

Of Sutfield, was born at Granville, Mass., April 15, 1822, and resided there until 1868, when he removed to Sutfield. He held the offices of Selectman, Assessor, and member of the School Board, while living at Granville, and he is an active and influential Congregationalist, being Deacon of the Church of that denomination at Sutfield, and superintendent of the Sunday school. He has held the office of deacon continuously, with the exception of one year, since 1850. In early life he was engaged in school teaching, but most of his business has been that of farming. He has always been a Republican in politics, and acts with that party in the Legislature.

BRAINARD L. ALDERMAN

Of Suffield, Mr. Spellman's colleague, is a Democrat, his election being a gain for the Democrats of Suffield. He was born at East Granby, October 10, 1837, and received a common school education. The present is his first term of public office. He is also a farmer by occupation.

BENJAMIN S. BISHOP

Of West Hartford, was a member of the Board of Selectmen for six years, Collector of Taxes for two years, Registrar of Voters from the time the registry law went into force until 1883, and has been a Justice of the Peace for sixteen years. He was also a member of the House during the years 1863 and 1874. He was born at West Hartford, August 1, 1819, and received a common school and academic education. In politics he is a Republican.

HENRY BUCK

Of Wethersfield, was born in Wethersfield, December 6, 1834, and was educated in the common schools and academy in that town. He has been a member of the Board of Selectmen three terms, two of them as First Selectman, and has held various minor offices within the gift of his townsmen. He is engaged in farming. Politically Mr. Buck is a Republican, and has always voted and acted with that party.

LYMAN HEWITT

Of Wethersfield, was born at Eastford, June 23, 1837, and received a common school and academic education. While residing at Eastford he was under the tutorship in the common school there of Samuel F. Jones of Hartford. Subsequently he studied at Bacon Academy at Colchester, and in the Connecticut Literary Institute at Suffield. He holds the position of Postmaster at South Wethersfield, and is a Republican in politics. Mr. Hewitt is engaged with his brother, R. T. Hewitt, in the manufacture of mattresses, the firm name being L. & R. T. Hewitt. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

STEPHEN LAVERY

Of Windsor, was born at Belfast, Ireland, June 1, 1838, and was brought to this country by his parents when he was only ten months of age. His father was of Scotch descent, and his mother was of Irish parentage. He was brought up in Middletown and at New York, and secured a good practical education in the schools of the two cities. He enlisted in the Fourth Connecticut regiment, serving as a private in Company G of that command. He also served as Sergeant in Company A of the Twenty-fourth Connecticut. He is a book-pressman by trade, and has been employed by The Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company of Hartford, for over nineteen years. In politics Mr. Lavery is a Republican.

SIDNEY MILLER HOLLISTER

Of Windsor, is engaged in farming and is a Democrat in politics. He was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., March 27, 1856, and completed his education at Wilbraham Academy. He has not before held public office.

JOHN COATS

Of Windsor Locks, was born at North Stonington, May 9, 1842, and was educated at the Literary Institute at Suffield, and at Yale College, graduating in the class of 1868. Among his classmates at Yale were ex-Secretary of State Charles E. Searles, Professor I. T. Beckwith of Trinity College, William Parsons, editor of the *Hartford Telegram*, Dr. Wm. T. Bacon, of Hartford, and LeBaron Bradford Colt, Attorney-General of Rhode Island. Mr. Coats graduated from the Columbia Law School in 1871, and is a member of the Hartford County bar. He has had considerable experience in teaching, but for several years back he has given his attention wholly to the practice of his profession. During the war he was a member of the Twenty-second Connecticut, serving as a non-commissioned officer in Company G of that command. Mr. Coats is a man of fine ability, and makes a valuable member of the House.



WILLIAM CECIL DURAND

Of Milford, was in the House last year, and returns this year with much legislative experience. He was born in Milford, June 15, 1851, studied at the Chartie's French School in New York, graduated at the Sheffield Scientific School in 1871, and traveled extensively in Europe, Egypt, and Syria, making three trips abroad. Up to 1878 he was connected in New York with a

house doing business with Uruguay, Central America and Montevideo. He was appointed one of two to superintend the census of 1880 in Milford, and has served in the Board of Education. Mr. Durand's Democracy is inherited, coming to him from his father and uncle, William Durand, who was for eight years surveyor of the port of New Haven.

WILLIAM HENRY LAW

Of New Haven, whose popularity seems to have been thoroughly tested in his re-election, was born in Norwich, Conn., July 25, 1856, and is therefore, twenty-seven years of age. He prepared for college at Hopkins' Grammar School and graduated at Yale in 1878. In 1880 he finished the regular course at the Yale Law School and began the practice of law. He was chosen an Alderman of New Haven from a Republican Ward; his term closed January 1, 1884. He was a member of the last House of Representatives, and served with much credit upon the Committee on Incorporations. He is of the law firm of Mills & Law, and acts with the Democratic party. Four generations of his ancestors served in the Assembly, and his grandfather and great-grandfather were members of Congress. His great-grandfather was also Chief Justice of the Colony of Connecticut, and its Governor from 1741 to 1750.

HERBERT C. BALDWIN

Of Beacon Falls, who represented the town in the House of 1876, 1880, and 1883, was born in Oxford, September 3, 1840, and is therefore forty-three years of age. His educational advantages were derived from the common schools. He is now First Selectman of Beacon Falls, an office he has been called to fill since 1873, and Justice of the Peace. His business has been that of a farmer. He served in the war of 1861, first as private of the 13th C. V., and afterward as second lieutenant and the intermediate positions. It is a part of his record that he has provided for himself since he was fifteen years of age, his father dying then. He is a Republican.

EVELYN O. PARDEE

Of Bethany, was born in that town, October 11, 1839. The common schools gave him his education. During the last three years he has been Selectman and Highway Commissioner. He has held a number of other minor offices, and has been Vice-President of the Woodbridge and Bethany Agricultural Society. He is now a director in that Society. His business has been that of a farmer, and he is a Democrat.

JAMES EDWARD MATTHEWS

Of Branford, the second Republican representative ever chosen in that Democratic stronghold, was born of Irish parents in Easton, Mass., February 14, 1856, and was educated in the common schools. He is a mechanic and a Republican. Has been a member of St. Mary's Temperance Society of Branford since its organization in 1872, but is not a fanatic. Is in favor of the present license law strictly enforced.

HENRY BEADLE

Of Cheshire, is thirty-nine years of age and born in Cheshire. The common school and the academy, supplemented with a course at the Cheshire Episcopal Academy, made him an educated man, and service as Chairman of the Republican Town Committee, Registrar of Voters for five years, Assistant Town Clerk, and as Constable for five years, gave him experience in politics. All these offices he now holds. His general business is that of a painter and paper-hanger. He is a Republican.

FREDERICK A. GRANNISS

Of Cheshire, a Republican, was born in Waterbury, Conn., in 1851, and is thirty-two years of age. Hannum's Business College, Hartford, furnished him an education, and he is now a retail coal dealer. In 1871 and 1873 he was employed as a clerk in the office of James McIntire & Co., railway contractors.

FRANKLIN D. JACKSON

Of Derby, was born in Birmingham, February 8, 1847. After studying in the common schools he entered the mercantile business, and is now a dealer in dry goods and groceries. He was a member of Company I, First Connecticut Heavy Artillery, and received a slight wound in the shoulder in front of Petersburg, Va. He is now Registrar of Voters, a member of the Republican Town Committee, and of State Committee for the Seventh District—a position to which he was chosen at the convention that nominated William H. Bulkeley for Governor. He has been Chairman of the School District Committee, and Clerk of the School District. He is a Republican.



JOHN CHRISTOPHER CONNOR

Of Milford, married a daughter of the late Captain Richard Hepburn of Milford, and has resided at Milford upwards of thirty years. He is the son of the late Captain Nicholas O'Connor of Philadelphia; was born in that city on the 9th of March, 1811, and although nearly seventy-three years of age is extremely vigorous and active. He received a common school and academic education, studied law for a year or two in the office of the late Henry M. Western of New York, then went to sea, held a warrant in the United States Navy, resigned therefrom in 1839, became successively a sail-maker, a ship-owner, and a shipping and commission merchant. From

this last-mentioned business, which he followed for fifteen years in New York, he retired in 1875. Mr. Connor's father also served in the United States Navy; was wounded in the war of 1812, from the effects of which wound he subsequently died; his maternal ancestors came to Pennsylvania with William Penn. Mr. Connor is reputed to be the head of a once prominent Irish family of O'Connors, that were stripped of their power at the time of the Cromwellian settlement, but he seldom employs the prefix to his name, except in purely family matters. He is a Republican.

JONAH C. PLATT

Of Derby, is fifty-one years of age, and was born in Milford. The common schools educated him. He became a builder, was chosen Tax Collector of Derby, and is a Director of the Ansonia Savings Bank. He is identified with the Republican party.

ALEXANDER W. FORBES

Of East Haven, was born at New Haven, September 5, 1833, and was educated in the public and private schools of that city. He was a member of the House in 1863, and again in 1883, serving last year as Clerk of the Committee on Forfeited Rights. Mr. Forbes has had more or less experience in public affairs, and is now serving his third term in the Legislature, being the present session on the Committee on Corporations. From early life he has followed agricultural pursuits, and for the past ten years he has been engaged in the grain business in East Haven. In politics he is a Republican.

JOHN W. NORTON

Of Guilford, served in the House of 1876. He is a Republican and a farmer. He is now a Grand Juror, and has been a Selectman and a member of the Board of Relief. He was born in Guilford October 19, 1839.

OTIS J. RANGE

Of Guilford, who is forty-three years of age, was born in Meriden, September 28, 1840, and educated in the common and the high schools. He is now the preacher in charge of the Methodist Church in Guilford, and has been Grand Worthy Chief Templar of the Good Templars of Connecticut for eight years. He is a Republican.

FREDERICK E. TUTTLE

Of Hamden, for whom the common schools did much, is a butcher and a farmer; was born in North Haven in 1840, and is a Republican.

PHINEAS M. GRISWOLD

Of Madison, for the past thirty-six years has been a ship builder and a railway bridge builder. He has served repeatedly on Juries, and the School District Committee, and has been chosen a Justice of the Peace. He was born in Madison May 5, 1829, and studied in the common schools. He is a Republican.

GEORGE O. HIGBY

Of Meriden, a silver polisher, now employed in the shipping room of the Meriden Britannia Company, was born in Milford, Conn., February 7, 1844. He was educated in the common schools, and served as a private in Company L, First Connecticut Heavy Artillery. His politics is that of the Democratic party.

WILLIAM H. GOLDEN, JR.

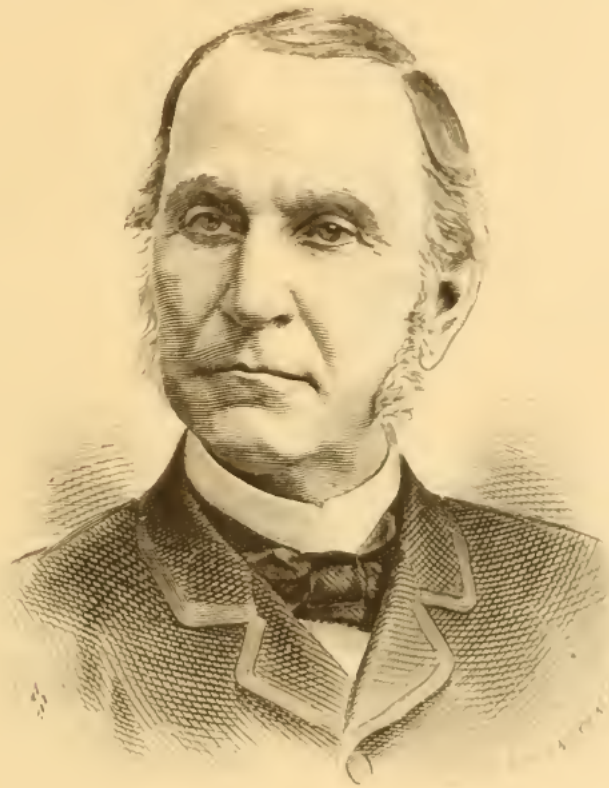
Of Meriden, was born in the town he represents, December 6, 1845, and is now thirty-eight years of age. Received his education at the public schools. Is a mechanic, and works at his trade at the Meriden Britannia Company. He served five years in Company I, Second Regiment Connecticut National Guard. In politics Mr. Golden is a Democrat.

DAVID M. FENN

Of Middlebury, was born in that town August 31, 1837. Had a common school education. Has been a Selectman for three years, which office he now holds. Is a member of the Democratic Town Committee, and has held the office of Grand Juror. By occupation a farmer, and in politics a Democrat.

EDWARD H. CARRINGTON

Of Naugatuck, who acts with the Republican party when he thinks it is right, was born in Bethany, March 21, 1836; was educated in the common school and academy, and is a merchant. He was Orderly Sergeant of Co. C, 27th C. V.



ISAAC L. STILES

Of North Haven, was born in that town June 28, 1819, and is now 64 years of age. He has always resided in North Haven, and has held positions there as Postmaster, Justice of the Peace, Selectman, with other minor offices. He represented his town in the General Assembly in 1854, and with a single exception is the oldest

member of the present House. He is an extensive manufacturer and dealer in brick, of the common, pressed, and fancy varieties. In politics Mr. Stiles is a Conservative Republican, and is serving the present session on the State Prison Committee. His education was derived from the common schools of his native town.

JEROME HARRISON

Of North Branford, is seventy-seven years of age, having been born in North Branford, October 26, 1806. He is a Democrat, and has the honor to represent a Republican constituency. Having received the unanimous vote of the Democratic party, and a goodly number of the leading Republicans of the town, he feels in duty bound to act for the good of all. His business has been that of a farmer exclusively. The common and academical schools and a course of general reading, "with the exception of dime novels," furnished him his education. Although never an office seeker he has held several offices in the town's gift.

JAMES RUSSEL AYRES

Of Orange, has been Postmaster for ten years at Woodmont Station, and for eight years a Justice of the Peace. He was born in Poundridge, Westchester county, N. Y., September 20, 1819, was given a common-school course with a year at an academy at Paterson, N. J., and was a jeweler and watchmaker from 1841 to 1848 at Peekskill, N. Y. For twenty-four years he kept the leading jewelry store in Waterbury, selling out in 1872 and purchasing a farm at Woodmont where he raises small fruits, poultry, and general farm produce. He is a Republican except when better men and measures seem necessary. His first presidential vote was cast for General Harrison in 1840, and his first gubernatorial for Hon. William H. Seward of New York.

SMITH C. WHEELER

Of Oxford, was representative from this town once before—in 1875. He was born in Oxford in 1832, and after becoming a farmer resigned his interest in cereals when thirty years of age for one in the wholesale and retail meat business. He is a Republican.

JOHN R. PLATT

Of Prospect, a Republican, has been Constable, an office he still holds, and Registrar of Voters, served in the Lower House in 1869, and is now a

Selectman. He was Second Lieutenant in the 20th C. V.; before and since that he has been a farmer in Prospect, where he was born March 13, 1824. He is a common-school graduate.

THOMAS L. JAMES

Of Seymour, who was born in Birmingham, May 7, 1846, studied in the common schools, and had a three years' course at the Collegiate and Commercial Institute, New Haven. He has been interested in the manufacture of sheet copper. In January, 1877, he was chosen a Director of a New Haven Copper Company, and in January, 1880, was elected President, which office he still holds. He is a Republican.

HENRY S. WHEELER

Of Southbury, was in the House in 1878. He is thirty-four years of age, graduated at the Bridgeport Business College, was in the dry goods trade at Rockford, Ill., and afterward in the confectionary line at New Haven. Has been a Justice of the Peace, Registrar of Voters, Selectman, and a member of the Board of Education. His party is the Democratic.

WILLIAM SPENCER RUSSELL

Of Wallingford, twenty-five years of age, was born in Prospect, September 7, 1858, graduated at the Yale Medical College in 1880, studied in New York City, and is now practicing medicine. He is a Democrat.

GEORGE ANDREWS HOPSON

Of Wallingford, was born in that town July 1, 1859. After studying in the common schools he took a three years' course at the Hartford High School, class of 1881. In 1880 and 1881 he was a Notary Public. Farming and stock-raising he has pursued for a business generally, but is now building a highway for the town. He is a Democrat.



EDWARD C. LEWIS

Of Waterbury, was born in North Wales in 1826. At the early age of four years he came to this country with his father and mother, who located at Bridgeport in this State. His parents being possessed of but a little money, they could only give him a common-school education, and early in life he was compelled by force of circumstances to go to work in cotton and woolen mills, where he was engaged for eight years. He then sought other occupation and entered as an apprentice to the Bridgeport Iron Works, a concern which he with others, in later life, owned and managed. In 1847 he removed to Birmingham and worked for Colburn & Bassett, who were then prominent iron founders in that vicinity. In 1849 he became foreman for the Farrall Foundry & Machine Company of Ansonia, and it was here that Mr. Lewis demonstrated his thorough knowledge of the business, and also his executive ability, which soon resulted in his being transferred to Waterbury as

foreman for the same concern, which had a branch foundry and machine shop at that locality. Mr. Lewis rapidly rose in the estimation of those by whom he was employed, and by the simple force of his ability and character soon secured an interest in the business, and in a short time became the active manager and head of the concern at Waterbury.

The Farrall Foundry & Machine Company have long been known throughout the Naugatuck Valley as successful iron founders and builders of machinery, and no one concern in that section has done more to build up its material interests than they. In this work Mr. Lewis has done much by giving it his best thought and untiring effort. In all his business enterprises he has been uniformly successful, and as a result has now secured a well-earned competency.

Politically he has always been a pronounced Republican, but has never sought office, although

he was a candidate for his present position in 1869 and lacked only a few votes of an election at a time when the town was decidedly Democratic. He has held several offices under the city government, having been elected twice as a member of the Common Council, and also served one term as Police Commissioner. He was one of the original projectors of the Manufacturers' National Bank of Waterbury, and has been a director in it ever since its organization. At the present time he is president and manager of the Farrall Foundry & Machine Company at Waterbury, to which he devotes a large portion of his time and attention. He is also an owner in several other manufacturing concerns, and has a large real estate interest in the town which he represents, and is thoroughly identified with the prosperity and welfare of his section. At the last election he was reluctant to accept a nomination for Representative, but was prevailed upon to do so, and was handsomely elected against an able political opponent, and that in a town which usually gives a Democratic majority—a sufficient tribute to his popularity and ability. He is serving the present session on the Finance Committee.

J. RICHARD SMITH

Of Waterbury, was born there in 1850. His father was John E. Smith, who was for many years a successful manufacturer in that city, and who died in New Haven in 1882. From him the son inherited not only a large interest in certain manufacturing enterprises but also the devotion to business and the persevering attention to details which have secured to him the prominent place he already holds among business men. Mr. Smith received only a common-school education. At the age of sixteen years he entered the brass-mill of the Holmes & Griggs Manufacturing Company in New York city, for the purpose of acquiring a thorough, practical knowledge of the brass business. He remained in that establishment six years, familiarizing himself with all operations involved in the manufacture of brass, and

securing at the same time a discipline which has proved of great value in his subsequent career. In 1872 he went to Colorado, with a view to undertaking the mining business, but remained there only six months. He returned to Waterbury in January, 1873, and took charge of the affairs of the Waterbury Button Company, in which his father was the largest stockholder. He is at present secretary and treasurer of that company, and devotes to it his time and his best thought. This, however, has not prevented him from serving for two terms in the Waterbury Common Council, or from taking an active part in the duties of the Church and the Masonic order. At the last election for Mayor, Mr. Smith barely escaped being the Republican candidate. He was elected to the House by a majority of 190,—a fact which affords strong evidence of his popularity among the voters of Waterbury, and their appreciation of his ability and integrity.

HENRY B. CARTER

Of Wolcott, is a farmer and contractor in wood, is forty-four years of age, and represented Wolcott in 1883. He is Registrar of Voters, Chairman of the Town Committee, a Road Commissioner, and a member of the Board of Education. He was born in Wolcott, December 2, 1839, was educated in the common schools, and is a Republican.

JOHN M. LINES

Of Woodbridge, is much more widely known out of his town than in it, because New Haven and New York are larger places; but he is thoroughly popular at home for his liberality and enterprise. His popularity led to his election in a Republican town, for he is a Democrat. He was born in Woodbridge, September 15, 1830, was educated in public and private schools, has never held public office before, and pursues farming as an occupation.



GEORGE WILLIAMS

Of New London, was born in Leamington, England, May, 1814, and came to the United States in 1837. In his native place he learned his trade as a baker, and, after his arrival in this country, worked as a journeyman in the city of New York for about eight years. He moved to New London in 1845. He came there friendless and without a dollar of accumulated capital, but with an abundant stock of energy and pluck, and a determination to make his way. He found himself in a community where every one had been accustomed to do his own baking, and when he started a bakery it was a novel enterprise, upon which the good people of the old whaling port looked with surprise, if not with suspicion. He began business in a modest way, and upon a most limited scale, and for a time the results were disheartening, but the sturdy Englishman, with the indomitable

perseverance that was his birthright, kept on his way. Master of his trade, understanding its every detail, he soon taught the people in his new home that there were things the domestic oven could not accomplish. This little cake-shop steadily grew in public favor, and he gradually won the esteem and confidence of his fellow townsmen by his strict attention to business, his fair and honorable dealing, and his probity and courtesy. Year after year his business extended itself, until now it has become one of metropolitan proportions, and is probably the largest of its kind in eastern Connecticut. It gives employment to about twenty-five hands, and daily converts into bread and cake nearly the same number of barrels of flour. A little over a year since the firm of George Williams & Son (the latter having been admitted to partnership in 1865) occupied their new bakery, a fine brick building of

three stories, 33 by 100 feet, one of the most complete establishments of its kind in the State, fitted up with the most modern labor-saving machinery of the trade, and built throughout under the personal supervision of the senior partner, and from plans of his own drawing, based upon an experience of half a century. The salesroom of the firm is handsomely finished in hard wood, and is one of the finest in the city. Mr. Williams can point to a business career of uninterrupted success, earned by hard work, untiring industry, the strictest integrity and unflinching courtesy. In public affairs in the home of his adoption, he has been long and actively interested, and no citizen of New London has, during the last quarter of a century, borne a more honorable or conspicuous part in municipal politics. His term of service in the Court of Common Council as alderman and councilman has covered more than twenty years, and has always been marked by a strict attention to his official duties and an intelligent and hearty interest in the welfare and prosperity of the city. He has, at different times, been chairman of nearly all the important committees of the city government, and was for four years Chief Engineer of the fire department, in which he has always taken a lively interest, and no citizen possesses a wider or more intelligent acquaintance with every department of municipal affairs. His

record as one of the city fathers is such that his career ought to be rounded off with the mayoralty, a position for which he is admirably fitted, and to which his fellow-citizens, without distinction of party, would doubtless gladly elevate him if he would consent to the use of his name. Three years ago a nomination for this office was urged upon him, but the demands of his private business were such as to imperatively forbid his acceptance. The present is Mr. Williams's second term in the Assembly. As a representative he discharges his duties with the same conscientiousness and fidelity he has always displayed in whatever he has undertaken, whether in private or official station. He is not a talking member, as a rule, though few members of the House can make a better and clearer statement on any question of fact calling for common sense and good judgment. In the committee room, from which he is rarely absent when his committee is in session, his views command attention and respect, as he always speaks from the practical standpoint of a shrewd and successful man of business. His entire career as a public man and as a citizen has been free from spot or blemish, and is a notable example of what may be accomplished by industry and integrity, supplemented by an abundant stock of common sense and a never-failing courtesy that manifests itself on every occasion.



PARDON M. ALEXANDER

Of Groton, was born in the town which he represents, October 19, 1834, of parents whose ancestors were English. He received his education in the common schools, including a course of studies with D. A. Daboll. He is an active and prominent Mason in his section of the State. He has held the office of Registrar of Voters for a number of years in his town, also that of School Committee. During the Rebellion he was engaged

in carrying commissary stores to the army and navy in and around the Gulf of Mexico; at the same time engaged in the sash, door, and blind business, which he has followed for the last twenty-eight years. In politics Mr. Alexander is a Democrat, but reserves the right of independent action. He was a member of the House in the session of 1883. He serves this year on the Committee on Education.

ANDREW JACKSON BENTLEY

of New London, was born in Norwich in 1827, and is a son of the venerable Elder D. N. Bentley, of the Methodist church, now living in that city at the age of ninety-nine years. He received a common school education, and at the age of eighteen engaged as a sailor on a coasting vessel. At twenty he became a captain, and, in command of various vessels, continued in the coasting trade until 1859. He then went into the shipping business in New York city and became senior partner in the firm of Bentley, Gildersleeve & Co., of South street. The business of the house was largely with the South, and in 1867 Mr. Bentley removed to Jacksonville, Florida, where he represented the interests of his firm and also engaged largely in shipping yellow pine lumber, having become the owner of extensive timber tracts in that State. In 1879 he started the Columbia Steam Saw Mills at New London, and in 1880 removed to that city, where he has since resided. The firm of Bentley, Gildersleeve & Co. was dissolved in 1880. While a resident in Jacksonville Mr. Bentley took a prominent part in public affairs. He served as an Alderman of that city, and as a member of the Board of Public Instruction of Duval County, and Chairman of the Finance Committee of that board. He acts with the Republican party.

JABEZ S. LATHROP

Of Norwich, was a member of the House during the years of 1879 and 1881, and is at present a member of the Board of Selectmen and also of the School Board. He has held the position of Postmaster at Norwich Town, and has been an active member of the Republican party since its organization. Forty years of his life have been spent in teaching, though he is not at present engaged in that profession. He was a valued member of the House during both terms that he was connected with that body, and served on important committees. Mr. Lathrop was born

at Bozrah in 1825, and received a common-school and academic education.

DAVID S. GILMOUR

Of Norwich, was born at Paisley, Scotland, and is thirty-eight years of age. His parents removed to this country and settled at Simsbury, when he was but a child. In 1852 he removed to Greenville, where he received a common-school education. For the past fifteen years he has been connected with the firm of Gilmour Brothers, iron founders, and manufacturers of specialties in hardware at Greenville. In 1873 he was elected president of the Greenville Fire Association. He was reelected in 1874 and served until the district was annexed to the city of Norwich in 1875. He has had four years of service in the Court of Common Council at Norwich. Mr. Gilmour has traveled extensively, both in this country and abroad. In politics he is a Republican.

GEORGE O. STEAD

Of Bozrah, was a member of the House in 1881, and is at present Postmaster at Bozrah. He is an active and influential Republican in his town, and is a popular member of his party. He is engaged in mercantile pursuits. Mr. Stead was born in Norwich, and is thirty-five years of age. He received a common-school education, fitting him for business life.

ENOCH B. WORTHINGTON

Of Colchester, the colleague of Mr. Otis in the House, is a Democrat, and by occupation is a farmer. He was born at Colchester, December 17, 1837, and received a common-school education. The present is his first term in the Legislature.



J. HERMAN TUBBS

Of Old Lyme, was born at East Lyme, September 14, 1859. He finished his education at the Broadway School in Norwich. He was employed in a dry-goods house at Ionia, Mich., but returned in 1879, and at the age of 19 commenced business for himself, engaging in the dry-goods and grocery trade. He was elected by sixty-nine ma-

jority, being the largest ever given by the town. For several years previous the Democrats had carried the town elections by large majorities. Mr. Tubbs is a Republican, and the youngest member of the House, and was appointed by Speaker Harrison a member of the State Prison Committee.

WILLIAM B. OTIS

Of Colchester, has served two years in the General Assembly, having been a member of the House during the years of 1871 and 1879. He was Town Treasurer for five years, and is at present Treasurer of the Town Deposit Fund. He is engaged in mercantile pursuits, and in politics is a Republican. Mr. Otis was born at Colchester, December 10, 1841, and received a common-school education.

JOHN J. COMSTOCK

Of East Lyme, is a member of the Republican party, and is First Selectman of his town. He has held the position of Postmaster, Assessor and Registrar of Voters, Treasurer of Ancient Second Society, and of Lyme School Fund for the past twelve years. He was born at Lyme, June 22, 1822, and received a common-school education. He is a farmer by profession. The present is his first year in the General Assembly.

ALBERT W. HILLARD

Of Franklin, was born at North Stonington, October 18, 1828, and was educated in the public schools and at Snfield Institute. He has held the office of Assessor, member of the Board of Education, and for the past five years he has been Constable and Collector. He was formerly engaged in teaching; but for the past twenty years or more he has been occupied with farming. Mr. Hillard is a Republican in politics.

CLARK C. PALMER

Of Griswold, was born in Washington County, R. I., and is forty-nine years old. He was edu-

cated in the common school. For the past twenty years he has been engaged in farming. Previously he occupied the position of overseer in a cotton factory, having advanced step by step until he was in charge of the department where as a boy he had begun work at the lowest round in the ladder. His health gave out and he was obliged to engage in farming. He has been identified with local interests very generally, giving especial attention to improvement in the public schools. Although a Republican, a large number of Democrats voted for him for the Legislature, raising his majority up to 117. Last year the Democratic candidate was elected by a majority of thirty-three votes. Mr. Palmer has held the offices of Selectman, Collector, and also that of Assessor, which he still retains. He has been a resident of Connecticut most of his life.

ENOCH BURROWS BROWN

Of Groton, was born at Stonington, in 1833, and was educated in the public schools and at East Greenwich Academy, graduating in 1851. He is the agent and general manager of the Lantern Hill Silix Company, and for Messrs. Mallory & Williams. Mr. Brown has not before held public office. He is a member of the Democratic party, but reserves to himself the right of independent action in the Legislature.

ALBERT G. KNEELAND

Of Lebanon, was born at Andover, April 11, 1852, and received a common and select school education. He has been engaged in teaching in winter for a number of years back, and in summer has devoted his attention to farming. Mr. Kneeland is a member of the Republican party.



LEVI J. BRANCHE

Of Sprague, was a member of the House during the session of 1883, and was returned at the November election by a plurality of forty-two votes in a strong Democratic town, although a Republican in politics. His personal popularity and his upright and creditable course in the House last year gave him a large vote from the Democrats. He was one of the founders of the Reade Paper Company, and superintendent and president of the organization for a number of years. In 1877 he retired from the company and

since then has devoted his attention to farming. He was one of the incorporators of the Jewett City Savings Bank, and for forty-one years he has been a prominent member of the Newent Ecclesiastical Society at Lisbon. He has held various town offices, including that of Constable, Collector, Justice of the Peace, and member of the Board of Relief. He was born at Lisbon, August 19, 1817, and received a common school education.

WALTER G. KINGSLEY

Of Lebanon, was born there January 4, 1834, being the eldest son of the late Shubael W. Kingsley, who was a member of the House in 1867, and grandson of Capt. Asahel Kingsley, a soldier of the Revolutionary War, and who also was a member of the House in the May and October sessions of 1818. Mr. Kingsley is the eighth generation in succession from John Kingsley, one of the seven who founded the church in Dorchester, August 23, 1636, for Richard Mather, and who was the last survivor of the number. The subject of this sketch received his education in the common and select schools of his neighborhood, and at the age of seventeen commenced his career as a teacher in the public schools; which avocation, alternating with farming in the summer season, he followed for nearly twenty years with unusual success, and giving almost invariably universal satisfaction to the patrons of the schools under his care. Mr. K. is in politics a conservative Republican, not failing to detect shortcomings in his party, nor so prejudiced as to fail of recognizing merit in his political opponents. He has held the position of Justice of the Peace for a long period of years, and has been the principal Trial Justice in Lebanon since he has held the office. The records of the higher court show that no judgment rendered by him has ever, on appeal, been reversed. Mr. Kingsley has held the office of Selectman for several years, also the offices of Town Clerk, and Treasurer, which latter position he now holds. Mr. K. is serving the present session on the Judiciary Committee.

STEPHEN HAZARD PECKHAM

Of Ledyard, was born at Ledyard, November 11, 1835, and received a common-school education. He has held the offices of Assessor and Selectman, the latter position for two years, serving as First Selectman during 1883. Mr. Peckham is engaged in farming. He is a member of the Democratic party, but reserves the right of independent action.

EDWARD C. HYDE

Of Lisbon, is a farmer by occupation, and a member of the Democratic party. He has been a member of the Board of Selectmen for four years, holding the position of Chairman of the Board during two years of that period. He has also been Collector of Taxes, Constable, and member of the Board of Relief. He was born at Lisbon, December 28, 1841, and received a common-school education.

ROBERT M. JEWETT

Of Lyme, was a member of the House from Lyme in 1871, serving on the Committee on Humane Institutions. He has been the Republican Registrar of Voters during the past ten years. He has also held the position of Constable. Mr. Jewett was born at East Haddam, February 22, 1839, and received a common-school and academic education, including courses of study at the Stamford Boarding School, and at the Suffield Literary Institute. He resided at East Haddam until 1870, being engaged in farming. Since that time he has lived at Lyme, and is engaged in business as a commercial agent. While a resident of East Haddam he held the offices of Collector of Taxes and Constable. Mr. Jewett is a Republican and a member of the Town Committee at Lyme.

CHARLES STARK

Of Lyme, was a member of the House in 1872, and has been Postmaster at North Lyme since 1859, with the exception of the year during which he was connected with the Legislature. He also had eight years of service on the Board of Selectmen, and has served as Town Clerk. Mr. Stark was born at Lyme, October 29, 1830, and received a common-school and academic education. In politics he is a Democrat.



EBENEZER P. COUCH

Of Stonington, was a member of the Legislature during the session of 1883, serving as House Chairman of the Committee on School Fund. He proved himself a capable legislator, and faithfully discharged all duties devolving upon him. He was born at Brockton, Mass., January 16, 1840, and graduated from Harvard College in

the class of 1864. At the November election he was reelected by an increased majority, his course in the Legislature being fully approved by his constituents. He is by profession a civil engineer, and was employed for several years by the Commissioners of Public Works in Brooklyn, N. Y. In politics Mr. Couch is a Republican.

JEDEDIAH RANDALL GAY

Of Montville, was born at Montville, March 14, 1838, and was educated in the common and select schools of New London County and at the East Greenwich Academy. He is a nephew of Dr. J. R. Gay, a retired surgeon and physician of Montville, and also of Dr. Benajah Gay, who represented the town of Griswold in the Legislature twenty-five years ago, and was subsequently State Senator. Mr. Gay is at present Secretary of the Board of School Visitors and Acting School Visitor at Montville, Justice of the Peace, and Town Auditor. He is engaged in school-teaching and farming. At the election in November he received a majority of ninety-four, being the largest that was ever given there for Representative. During the war he served in Company H, of the Tenth Connecticut Regiment, and was in the Burnside Expedition. At the battle of Roanoke Island he was severely wounded, incapacitating him for active service for more than a year. He rejoined his command during the siege of Wagner, S. C., but on account of his disabilities he was detailed on special duty as clerk. He returned with his regiment and was mustered out at Hartford, September 29, 1864. Subsequently he reenlisted for one year in the Sixth United States Veteran Volunteers, General Hancock's corps, making four years of service in all. Mr. Gay is a Republican.

THOMAS S. WHEELER

Of North Stonington, was born at Stonington, October 14, 1815, and received a common and high school education. He has held the position of Treasurer of the Ecclesiastical Society at North Stonington for a number of years, and is also Treasurer of the Town Deposit Fund. He is engaged in mercantile pursuits, and is a Republican in politics.

EDWIN P. CHAPMAN

Of North Stonington, was born there September 26, 1834, and received a common-school and academic education. The only public office which he has held was that of Postmaster at Clark's Falls, where he resides. He is engaged in the

mercantile business, and is a Republican in politics.

AUSTIN A. CHAPMAN

Of Preston, was a member of the House in 1874. He was born at Preston, May 28, 1828, and was educated in the common schools. He is a mason by trade, and belongs to the Democratic party.

SETH MAIN

Of Preston, was a member of the House in 1871, and, like his colleague, is a member of the Democratic organization. He has held the office of Tax Collector, Justice of the Peace, member of the Board of Relief, Treasurer of the Town Deposit Fund, and also of the School Fund belonging to the town. He was born at Ledyard, September 13, 1824, and received a district-school education. By occupation Mr. Main is a farmer and miller.

ELIJAH B. HARVEY

Of Salem, was born in Norwich, Conn., August 4, 1812; attended the Bacon Academy (of Colchester), also the common schools of that town. At the age of 23 commenced steamboating on the Hudson river, between New York and Albany. By strict attention, and having a thorough knowledge of the business, was soon promoted to engineer, which position he has held in different places since; the last being the Norwich & New York Transportation Company, in whose employ he has been for the past thirty-three years. During that time supervised the building and putting in of the engines of the steamers "City of Boston" and "City of New York." The former has since made the fastest time on record—6 hours and 5 minutes between New York and New London. He is, without doubt, one of the oldest engineers in existence, having been forty-six years steamboating; two years ago last June resigned, "having had enough steamboating." Always having been away from home, he has never taken any active part in politics. At present he is one of the Selectmen of this town. He is a Democrat.



WASHINGTON R. GARDNER

Of Waterford, was born at Waterford, March 1, 1842. His elementary education was acquired at the district schools in his native town, to which in later years was superadded an academic course at the Bartlett High School in New London. Mr. Gardner has descended from choice New England ancestry, his paternal and maternal progenitors having been men of note and identified with the early history of the State. They were all residents of New London or Newport for many generations, as is determined by tracing back through the genealogy for over two hundred years. His father, the late Henry Gardner, 2d, was the esteemed Postmaster of Waterford for thirty years. The present residence of the widow of Mr. Henry Gardner, known as the "old Bulkeley tavern stand," was bought in 1832, and has remained the family homestead to this day. In 1861 Mr. Gardner married the youngest daughter

of Gordon T. Chappell, Esq., a gentleman of note in Waterford, and who at least once (in 1857) represented that town in the Legislature. The maternal grandfather of Mrs. Gardner, Griswold Avery, Esq., was evidently a prominent figure in the early history of Waterford. He was a Justice of the Peace at the time of the incorporation of the town in 1801, and in that capacity warned its first town meeting, of which he was appointed the moderator. Afterwards, in 1806-7, he was elected Representative to the General Assembly. His son, Griswold Avery, 2d, succeeded him in 1808, and Charles Avery, a brother, in 1815-16-18. Others of the family have from time to time held positions of trust within the gift of their townsmen, including frequent elections to the Legislature. The roll of Representatives, as recorded at the State Capitol, discloses the interesting fact that during the last century Mr. Gardner's family

has been represented by one or another of its members, in the Legislature, no less than twenty-eight times. Mr. Gardner is a Democrat in politics, inherited from father and grandfather, of the Jacksonian type, and a pronounced advocate of temperance. His first election to the position which he now occupies was in 1882, when his majority was greater than the entire vote of his opponent. His reelection the succeeding year was a still greater triumph, inasmuch as he received the total vote not only of his own party but of the Republicans, who at their caucus endorsed unanimously the Democratic nominee. This action was chiefly attributable to the satisfactory record of Mr. Gardner on the prohibitory amendment before the Legislature in 1883, which received his active support. Mr. Gardner is at present a Justice of the Peace for the town of Waterford, and a member of the Board of Relief. He carries on the farm upon which he resides, the homestead of Rev. Gurdon T. Chappell, deceased, and additionally is engaged more or less as a carpenter and builder. Last year was his first in the Legislature, when he served on the Committee on Humane Institutions; this year he is on the Finance Committee.

HADLAI AUSTIN HULL

Of Stonington, was born at Stonington, August 22, 1854, and was educated at Amherst and the Yale Law School, graduating from the latter in the class of 1880. He taught school for three years after leaving college, and is a member of the Board of Education at Stonington. Since 1880 he has been engaged in the practice of the law. Mr. Hull is a member of the Democratic party.

CALEB P. POTTER

Of Voluntown, was born at Voluntown, January 14, 1824, and received a common and select school education. He was a member of the House in 1860, and has held various local offices, including that of Judge of Probate for the Voluntown district. He is at present Town Clerk and Treasurer. He was formerly engaged in teaching, but for the past eighteen years he has been occupied with farming. For five years he was also in the employ of the Norwich & Worcester Railroad Company. Mr. Potter is a Democrat in politics, but reserves to himself independence of action on general questions.



WILLIAM H. NOBLE

Of Bridgeport, was born August 18, 1813, his father being Rev. B. S. Noble, rector of Christ Church at Middletown for a number of years, and one of the founders and trustees of Washington College, now Trinity of Hartford. Mr. Noble himself was matriculated at Washington College, but graduated from Yale, with honors, in the class of 1832. He studied law with the late Judge Joseph Wood, and was admitted to the Fairfield County bar in 1836. In that year he was instrumental in securing the charter of the Housatonic railroad, and was secretary of the company for a considerable period. For several years he was Clerk of the Courts in Fairfield County, and was State Attorney there in 1846. He was largely interested in the development and progress of East Bridgeport, manifesting a sound and liberal public spirit. The public improvements have been largely due to his instrumentality. In these enterprises he was assisted by and was in partnership with P. T. Barnum. In

1850 General Noble was nominated for Congress in the Fourth District, but his handsome majority in Fairfield County was more than offset by the adverse vote in Litchfield County. In 1860 he was a Douglas man, and in 1861 he was active in organizing the Union party in Connecticut, and in the nomination of Governor Buckingham. He engaged in the war, and served with honor and distinction in the field. He was commissioned Colonel of the Seventeenth Connecticut, and participated with his regiment in a number of hard fought engagements in Virginia, South Carolina, and Florida, including Chancellorsville and Fort Wagner. While stationed at St. Augustine, he was detailed on Court Martial service at Jacksonville. He was captured by guerrillas on his way back, and incarcerated at Macon and Andersonville. From the latter place he was sent to Vicksburg, Miss., and exchanged. At the close of the war he was brevetted Brigadier-General on the recommendation of General Grant. General

Noble acted with the Republican party during the war and until the nomination of Horace Greeley, when he united with the Democrats, and is still a member of that organization. He has been a Commissioner of the Bridgeport Water Company, and also of the Bridgeport Hydraulic Company, for several terms, Alderman and Common Councilman in Bridgeport, and for six years past Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners of that city.

ALBERT M. TALLMADGE

Of Bridgeport, was born at Fairfield, February 22, 1854, and graduated from Wesleyan University in the class of 1874, and from the Yale Law School in 1877. He has held the office of Assistant Judge of the Bridgeport City Court, and is in active practice at the bar in Fairfield County. Mr. Tallmadge is a Democrat in politics. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

ERI WOOD

Of Bethel, was born at Danbury, January 23, 1822, and received a common-school education. He is a hatter by trade, and in politics is a Democrat. He has not before held public office of any kind.

JOHN H. BARLOW

Of Brookfield, was born at Brookfield, May 6, 1841, and received a common-school education. He is a member of the Board of Relief, and Constable at Brookfield, and is connected with the Democratic party. By occupation Mr. Barlow is a carriage-maker and carriage-painter. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

CHARLES H. ANDREWS

Of Darien, was a member of the House last year, serving on the Democratic side. He is a native of Danbury, where he was born September 8, 1830. He was educated in the common schools

of the place, and learned the saddlery business, which he has followed as a pursuit through life.

JOHN H. FANTON

Of Danbury, is engaged in the foundry and machine business, and is at the head of one of the largest firms conducting that business in Fairfield County. He is a man of excellent executive ability, and his large knowledge of business interests make him a useful member of the House. Although often solicited to allow his name to be used in the candidature for the Assembly, he declined doing so until last fall, and the large majority which he received will attest his personal popularity in Danbury. Mr. Fanton was born at New Fairfield, and is 46 years of age. He received a common-school education. Formerly he was a director in the Union Savings Bank of Danbury. During the war he served in Company K, of the Twenty-Third Connecticut. In politics Mr. Fanton is a Republican.

HENRY CROFUT

Of Danbury, was born at Danbury, and is a hat manufacturer. In politics he is a Republican.

BENNETT SEELEY

Of Easton, was born there June 16, 1824, and received a common-school and academic course of study, graduating from Staples Academy, at Easton. He has held the office of First Selectman for a number of years, and is at present a member of the Board of Assessors, and Registrar of Voters. For the past twelve years he has been engaged in farming; but previous to that period he was interested in manufacturing enterprises. In politics he is a Republican.

ANDREW P. WAKEMAN

Of Fairfield, was born at Fairfield in 1838, and received a common-school and academic education. He has held the positions of Selectman and Grand Juror, and was a member of the House during the session of 1881. Mr. Wakeman is a Democrat in politics, and a farmer by occupation.



ALMON B. RUGGLES

Of Huntington, was born at Brookfield, March 15, 1840, and received a common-school and academic education. At the age of sixteen he commenced duty as clerk in the dry-goods store of Wm. H. Clark, in Danbury. At seventeen years of age he was teaching public school in Bridgewater; but after one term was induced to take a position in the store of Starr, Clark & Co. of Watertown, where he remained two years. In 1861 he commenced mercantile business in Southbury, with a brother, under the style of H. & A. B. Ruggles. After one year the firm was changed to Ruggles & Randall, his brother having sold his interest to C. W. Randall, a brother-in-law. This latter firm continued for eighteen years, the last six being in Shelton and Birmingham. After that another partner was added, and the firm became A. B. Ruggles & Co., continuing until 1881, when Mr. A. B. Ruggles retired. He commenced business early and with very meagre

capital. His business life has been a successful one. Mr. Ruggles has held various offices. He is a member of the Episcopal church; has been warden, clerk, and treasurer of the church in Southbury, and treasurer of St. James church in Birmingham for five years. For eleven years he was Postmaster at Southbury, and Justice of the Peace and Grand Juror for several years. He has been Borough Assessor and Town Auditor in Huntington, and Chairman of the Republican Town Committee there for ten years. While a resident of Southbury he was Chairman of the Republican Committee, occupying that position for eleven years. He is at present Town Auditor and Deputy Registrar. He was instrumental in securing the charter of Shelton, in 1882, and also in ferreting out the Democratic bullet-box stuffing in Huntington, in 1878. The contest which grew out of the investigation resulted in the seating of F. G. Perry, the Republican member, in

the House, Mr. Perry being declared entitled to the seat. Mr. Ruggles is engaged in manufacturing and mercantile business. He is a director in the Derby Savings Bank, the Housatonic Water Company, the Shelton Water Company, and in the Housatonic Valley Railroad Company recently organized. He is also a member of the firm of Ruggles & Clark of Shelton, dealers in hardware, paints, oils, glass, and entlery, and is its active business manager. Mr. Ruggles is a member of the Committee on Banks in the present Legislature.

WILLIAM BROWN GLOVER

Of Fairfield, was a member of the House during the session of 1883, serving as Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, and as member of the Committees on Engrossed Bills, and Cities and Boroughs. As Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments he submitted the report in favor of sending to the people, for approval, the amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, and supported that course in an able and logical speech. He also submitted the report in favor of biennial sessions of the Legislature, and the proposed amendment will come up for final disposal by the House during the current session. Mr. Glover was studious and industrious in his work as Chairman of the Committee, and made a thorough personal investigation of the measures considered. As a member of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, one of the most important in the Legislature, he was equally careful and painstaking, and his work in the Committee on Cities and Boroughs was of a valuable character. He is an able debater, and was one of the most influential members on the Republican side of the House last year. He was called to the Chair during the debate on the Temperance bill, and presided with notable success over the deliberations of the day. Mr. Glover was born at Philadelphia, April 7, 1857, and was educated at the Fairfield Academy, General Russell's Military School at New Haven, and at Yale College, graduating in the class of 1878. Two years later he graduated from the Columbia Law School, and was admitted to the bar in New York State. In 1881 he was admitted to the Fairfield County

bar, and has since that year been in practice there. He has occupied the positions of Town Auditor, Justice of the Peace, Town Treasurer, and Judge of Probate, being at the present time the incumbent of the latter office.

CORNELIUS MEAD

Of Greenwich, has had six years of service in the House, having been a member for the years 1873, 1874, 1877, 1880, 1881, and 1882. He is thoroughly acquainted with local and State interests, and stands high in the estimation both of political friends and opponents. He is universally liked at the State House, and has the most cordial friends here. Mr. Mead was born at Greenwich in 1829, and received an academic education. He has served his town in various capacities, including that of Assessor, member of the Board of Relief, and also of the Board of Education. He is engaged in farming as an occupation. Politically Mr. Mead is a Democrat.

NEHEMIAH H. HUSTED

Of Greenwich, holds the position of Town Treasurer of Greenwich, having been elected for three consecutive years. He has also served for three years on the Board of Selectmen. Last year he was a member of the General Assembly, and has had considerable experience in local and State interests. He is a farmer by occupation, and in politics is associated with the Democratic party. Mr. Husted was born at Greenwich, April 14, 1843, and received a common-school education.

EDWIN STEVENS

Of Monroe, was born at Brookfield, February 7, 1822, and received a common-school education. He is engaged in farming at present, but for twenty years was occupied with the hatting business. He was originally a member of the old Whig party, but has been identified with the Republicans since their first organization. The present is his first term in the Legislature.



GEORGE R. COWLES

Of Norwalk, has represented that town in the House, during the past three sessions. His election for the fourth term is an exceptional honor. The only time in the history of the town when it has occurred before, was when Mr. Wm. M. Betts was elected Representative for four successive years, from 1799. With this exception, now eighty years ago, Mr. Cowles is the only man the people of Norwalk have united upon to send four years consecutively. Last year Mr. Cowles was House Chairman of the Committee on Incorporations, and in 1882 he was the Chairman of the Claims Committee. This year he is again Chairman of the Committee on Incorporations. In both of these positions his services have been of great value. He is careful, painstaking, and conscientious in his legislative work, and his views on questions of public policy are well founded. Mr. Cowles was born at New Hartford, and is 57

years of age. He graduated from Williams College, in the class of 1845, and studied law in the office of Chief Justice Butler. After several years' practice at the bar his health failed, compelling him to retire from active work. Subsequently he engaged in insurance business, acting as agent for a number of Hartford companies, including the Aetna, the Hartford, and the Phoenix; at the same time representing several leading foreign companies, and doing an insurance business probably exceeding in amount that of any other agency in the State. In 1860, on the incorporation of the Norwalk Insurance Company, he became its secretary, and still retains the position. He is actively interested in local affairs, has been very prominent among the leading advocates of the Parallel railroad, and for several years has held the office of Burgess of the borough of Norwalk. In politics Mr. Cowles is a Republican.

FRANCIS E. WEED

Of New Canaan, was born there November 26, 1841, and received a common-school education. He is a member of the Board of Relief, and Justice of the Peace. During the war he served in the Thirteenth Connecticut, holding the position of First Sergeant in Company B of that command. From 1868 to 1879 he was the general freight and ticket agent for the New Canaan Railroad Company. In 1880 he engaged in the coal and lumber business, which he still follows. In politics Mr. Weed is a Republican.

HORACE G. BETTS

Of New Fairfield, is a Democrat, and appears in the House as a member for the first time this year. He was born at Trumbull in 1826, and received a common-school education. By occupation he is a farmer.

EDWARD TROY

Of Newtown, was a member of the Third Connecticut Independent battery during the war, and is now engaged in the hotel business at Newtown. He has held the office of Constable for several years, and is a Democrat in politics. Mr. Troy was born in County Limerick, Ireland, and is 37 years of age, most of his life having been spent in the United States. He was educated in the common schools of Connecticut.

MICHAEL J. BRADLEY

Of Newtown, was born there February 1, 1858, and received a common-school and academic education. He holds the office of Registrar of Voters, and is a mechanic by occupation. He is a Democrat.

CHARLES W. BELL

Of Norwalk, was a member of the House last year, and also in 1882, rendering efficient services in support of the interests of oystermen in Fairfield County. He is an able and forcible speaker, and his speeches on questions affecting the inter-

ests of his constituents were listened to with marked attention. He was a member of the Committee on Contingent Expenses, serving with keen discrimination and judgment in that capacity. Mr. Bell was born at Cornwall, Orange County, N. Y., and is 47 years old. He received a good common-school education. He was appointed by Governor Andrews a member of the Commission for revising the oyster laws, and is thoroughly popular with his constituents. He has held a number of local offices, including that of Justice of the Peace. In politics Mr. Bell is a Republican.

JESSE L. SANFORD

Of Redding, has been a member of the Board of Assessors, and is serving his ninth term as Road Commissioner. He is a farmer by occupation, and belongs to the Republican party. He was born at Redding Ridge, January 4, 1831, and received a sound education in the common schools of his town, and in an educational institution in New York State.

ELI OSBORN

Of Redding, is also a farmer by occupation, and a member of the Republican party. He was born at Redding, February 14, 1822, and enjoyed the advantages of a common-school education. He has been a member of the Board of Assessors, and also of the Board of Relief. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

JOEL LAWRENCE ROCKWELL

Of Ridgefield, was formerly engaged in business at New Haven as a merchant tailor, being a member of the firm of Mason & Rockwell. He was also a member of the firm of Lounsbury Bros. & Rockwell, New Haven Shoe Manufacturers, in which he remained for upwards of eleven years. At present he is the owner of a farm at Ridgefield, and is living in retirement. Mr. Rockwell was born in New York city and is 57 years of age. He was educated in the New York public schools and at Oxford Academy. He has held the offices of Grand Juror and Justice of the Peace. In politics he is a Republican.

WILLIAM CHAUNCEY LODER

Of Ridgefield, was born at Bedford, N. Y., and is 40 years of age. He received the advantages of a common-school education. During the war he served in the one hundred and sixty-first New York, spending three years in the field. In politics Mr. Loder is a Republican. He was formerly engaged in railroading, but is now interested in the sewing-machine business. The present is his first term in a legislative body.

JOHN O. NORTHROP

Of Sherman, was born at Sherman, June 27, 1804, and is now in his eighty-first year, being the oldest man in the General Assembly. He was educated in the common and select schools, and early engaged in farming, which he still follows. He has also been employed considerably in the settlement of estates, and has dealt quite extensively in his day in northern New York and Michigan pine lands. For the past thirty-four years he has been the clerk and treasurer of the First Ecclesiastical Society at Sherman. He has also held the offices of Notary Public, Justice of the Peace, Assessor, and Treasurer of the Town Deposit Fund. Mr. Northrop belongs to the Republican party.

SETH SMITH COOK

Of Stamford, was born at Long Ridge, in the town of Stamford, August 23, 1823, and received a common-school and academic education, including a course of study at Bedford Academy, Westchester County, N. Y., under the tuition of Dr. Joseph C. Howe. He taught school himself after becoming of age, but subsequently engaged in business, principally manufacturing. For seven years he was interested in the manufacture of agricultural machinery and chain pumps, the firm name being Marshall & Cook. Afterwards the firm name was Scofield & Cook, and still later Scofield, Cook & Co. For the last seventeen years Mr. Cook has been engaged in the manufacture of shoes, the firm being Cook & Louns-

bury. The partnership has just been dissolved, the existence of the firm name ceasing January 1st. Mr. Cook has held numerous offices in his town, including that of Assessor, Grand Juror, School District Clerk for twenty years, member of the School Board, and Representative to the General Assembly in 1866. He was one of the incorporators of the Citizens Savings Bank at Stamford, and is a director in the First National Bank at New Canaan, and also in the Citizens Savings Bank. In early life he learned the trade of a cabinet-maker, but did not follow that pursuit long. He was engaged in mercantile business for a number of years, and has been a successful man of affairs. In politics Mr. Cook is a Republican.

SAMUEL C. WATERBURY

Of Stamford, was born at Darien, April 4, 1823, and was educated in the common and private schools of the town. He has held a number of public offices, including that of First Selectman for six years, and Justice of the Peace. He is at present a member of the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Waterbury is a prominent Odd Fellow, and has been Grand Master of the State. He has been engaged in farming and the grocery business, and is now interested in the wholesale cattle trade. In politics he is a Republican.

STILES JUDSON

Of Stratford, was a member of the House in 1880, serving from the town of Stratford. He was born there December 27, 1826, and received a common-school and academic education. At the age of 17 he went to sea, and five years after he was made first mate of a vessel. Soon after he left the sea and went to California, where he was engaged in the drug business for two years. Six years were spent in mining operations. In 1857 Mr. Judson returned to Stratford, where he has since been engaged in agriculture and merchandising. He is one of the Washington Bridge Commissioners. In politics Mr. Judson is a Republican.

WESLEY B. COAN

The Representative from Trumbull, is a Democrat, and was born at Woodbury, March 21, 1842. When three years of age he removed to Trumbull, and has lived there ever since. He never served his time, but can make a wagon—iron, wood-work, and all—and paint it well. In the carriage and the jobbing line he has built up a good business, which he now prosecutes at Long Hill. His majority at the fall election was quite flattering. Albert S. Coan, his father, was in the House of 1868, and is a first cousin of the lately deceased Rev. Titus B. Coan, the famous missionary to the Sandwich Islands. The present Representative has filled most all the minor offices in the town, has been president of the Union Agricultural Society of Huntington (of which he is now a director), deacon for ten years in the Congregational church, and superintendent of the Sunday-school for seven years. He is a member of the Committee on the Sale of Lands.

JOHN M. LOCKWOOD

Of Weston, is a farmer by occupation, and in politics is a Democrat. He was born at Weston,

March 6, 1848, and received a common-school education. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

MOSES SHERWOOD

Of Westport, was born at Westport, May 18, 1839, and received a common-school and academic education. He was a member of the Legislature in 1883, serving on the Democratic side of the House. For several years back he has been a member of the Board of Relief, and has occupied other local offices. He is engaged in farming, and in politics is a Democrat.

CHARLES A. AMBLER

Of Wilton, was born at Danbury, and is 38 years of age. He received a common-school education, and is a farmer by occupation. In politics he is a Republican.



CHARLES N. ALLEN

Of Putnam, was a member of the House last year, and was reelected to the present Legislature by an increased majority; although an outspoken Democrat, and his town, strongly Republican, never before for twenty-seven years had a Democratic Representative, his elevation to this responsible position by the popular vote of his townsmen is a well-deserved tribute to his uprightness of character, geniality, and the ready tact which he has displayed while holding various local offices, and as head salesman in an extensive commercial house in the town which he represents. His services in the Legislature last year not only gave satisfaction to his constituents, but received the commendations of the press of both political parties throughout the State. Mr. Allen was born in Union, January 25, 1852, but has

made his home chiefly in Woodstock and Putnam, having resided in the latter town for twelve years. He has been a member of the Democratic State Central Committee for the last two years, where his influence in partisan deliberations is always recognized. He is an enthusiastic worker in all enterprises that enlist his approbation and sympathy, which characteristic renders him a valuable ally in any cause which he espouses. His record in last year's Legislature furnishes an apt illustration of this fact, and of the appreciation which earnest public service is likely to receive from intelligent constituencies of both political parties. Mr. Allen is serving the present session on the Committee on Incorporations.

GEORGE BROWN

Of Brooklyn, was born in Brooklyn, July 30, 1832. He has never sought office, but has been School Visitor and member of the Board of Relief, and has filled other local offices. Farming has been his general pursuit; but he has taught school seven terms. He is a staunch Republican.

EVERETT M. DURKEE

Of Ashford, is a member of the firm of Buck, Durkee & Stiles, wholesale dealers in groceries and provisions in Willimantic. He was born in Ashford, July 11, 1857, and received a common-school education. He has had no experience as a maker of laws.

THOMAS F. DUNHAM

Of Ashford, is a Democrat, who enjoyed the advantages of the common schools, and then became a farmer. He has been a Grand Juror and a member of the Board of Relief, and was born in Ashford, August 7, 1831.

GEORGE L. CAREY

Of Canterbury, was a Sergeant in Co. A, First Connecticut Cavalry, is a farmer, educated in the common schools, and was born in Canterbury, 1843. He is a Republican.

GEORGE T. KENDALL

Of Canterbury, has been twice before in the Legislature, serving in 1859 on the State Prison Committee, and in 1881 a member of the Committee on Fisheries. He is a Democrat and a farmer; was educated in the common schools, and has been an Assessor, Collector, Selectman, and member of the Board of Relief. He was born in Canterbury, October 30, 1821.

EDSON D. FULLER

Of Chaplin, has frequently acted as a Juror; is a farmer and Republican; was educated in the common schools, and claims Chaplin as his birthplace. He was born in 1827.

MONROE F. LATHAM

Of Eastford, who has always acted and voted with the Republican party, believes that the party "needs to reform itself in some particulars." He was born in Phoenixville, January 3, 1843, is a miller, sawyer, and farmer, and studied in the common schools. He is now on the Board of Relief for Eastford, and has been Selectman for three successive years, Justice of the Peace, an Assessor, and a member of the Board of Relief.

DAVID P. WEAVER

Of Hampton, was a Corporal in Co. F, 10th C. V. He was in nearly all the engagements in which his regiment participated, and was wounded at Deep Bottom, Va., August 14, 1864, for which wound he receives a pension. He was mustered out in 1865. He is a Republican, and his first vote was cast in April, 1864, for Gov. Buckingham; his next for President Lincoln. He has never held office before, was educated in the common schools, and has chiefly followed farming. He was born in Windham, January 4, 1842.

CHARLES T. PRESTON

Of Killingly, was elected as a "temperance Democrat," and hopes "to do nothing inconsistent with either title." He was born in Smithfield, R. I., May 10, 1848, and studied in the common schools of Killingly and the Danielsonville high school. He was an Assessor in 1879 and 1882, and is a house-painter and paper-hanger.



PRESCOTT BARTLETT

Of Putnam, was born at Killingly, Connecticut, December 1, 1841, and is now forty-two years of age. He received a common-school education, and has been in office on the Killingly Town Committee for two years, and as Assessor three years. He was returned to the General Assembly as Representative of Killingly in 1879, and

now holds the office of Assessor in Putnam. He is engaged in business as a merchant. He enlisted in the First Connecticut Artillery, but was discharged on account of ill health after a few weeks' service. Mr. Bartlett is a Republican, and was in last year's House. He is this year on the Finance Committee.

FRANK P. WARREN

Of Killingly, is a farmer, has held district offices, received a common and high-school education, and was born in Killingly, Nov. 25, 1852. He is a Democrat.

DAVID EMERSON

Of Plainfield, born in Wenham, Mass., in January, 1824, enjoyed very limited educational advantages, but is much respected in his community. He has had charge of all the wood-work at the Wanregan Mills for the last fifteen years, and served for two years and ten months as a private in the 18th C. V. He is a member of the Republican party.

EDWARD E. HILL

Of Plainfield, has been in mercantile pursuits for the last thirty years, was born in Plainfield, September 25, 1823, and educated in the common schools. His political bias is Republican; but he does not feel bound to go with that party unless it is "strictly temperate."

CHARLES G. WILLIAMS

Of Pomfret, was born in Pomfret, and is fifty-two years of age. The common school and academy furnished him his education. For fifteen years he was Postmaster at Pomfret Landing, and in 1880 was a Census Enumerator. He is now a Justice of the Peace. For twenty years he was in mercantile business, and for ten a school-teacher. He is a Republican, and sat in the House of 1883.

CHARLES PAYSON GROSVENOR

Of Pomfret, a native of Abington, in that town, was born November 17, 1844, and educated in the common schools. He has had two years' previous legislative experience, being in the lower

House in 1879 and 1880. He is a farmer by profession, a Republican in politics, and is at present serving as Selectman of his town.

RUFUS T. HASKINS

Of Scotland, was born in Rochester, Mass., December 29, 1839, studied in the district school, and went to sea at the age of 15. For twenty years he sailed the ocean, occupying every berth on a whale-ship. He was captain one cruise. For the last ten years he has been a farmer. He has also been a Grand Juror, and is now a Selectman. He has always voted the Republican ticket, and has no desire to change.

EDWIN A. CARD

Of Sterling, is Postmaster at Sterling, and has generally followed the mercantile business. He was born in Sterling, is 45 years of age, graduated from the Lapham Institute, R. I., and is a Republican.

MARCUS F. TOWNE

Of Thompson, is a Republican, 59 years of age, having been born in Thompson, June 1, 1824. He is a result, in education, of the common-school system. He has "farmed it" to quite an extent, and in 1873 had the honor to represent Thompson in the House. He is president of the Woodstock Agricultural Society, and a director in the Dime Savings Bank. For seven years he was Selectman—for four years Chairman of the Board—and he has been an Assessor for several years.

GEORGE M. HARRINGTON

Of Windham, is a Republican, who was Postmaster at Versailles in 1870, and Warden of Wilimantic in 1882. He has held minor offices. Mercantile business has been his support; the common schools gave him his education, and he was born in Killingly, September 25, 1849.



DAVID CHASE

Of Thompson, born in Killingly, April 3, 1848, has always acted with the Republican party. In the House of 1881 he served on the Insurance Committee. He has been Postmaster at Mechanicsville, and for two years was a Selectman. He

is now a director in the Thompson Savings Bank, and the Thompson National Bank, has generally followed mercantile pursuits, and secured his education in the common schools. He serves the present session on the Committee on Banks.

FRANK S. FOWLER

Of Windham, enlisted in the Connecticut National Guard—Co. E, 3d regiment—August 21, 1871, and after being promoted through the various grades to the captaincy, resigned and was honorably discharged December 2, 1882. He is a clerk in Carpenter & Fowler's hardware store, and a Republican. He was born in Lebanon, March 3, 1851, attended the common schools of that town and Windham, and has been for three years a member of the Windham Board of Relief and that of the borough of Willimantic.

VERNON E. WALKER

Of Woodstock has been a Republican since the party was organized. He was born in North

Grosvenordale, October 20, 1840, secured a common-school education, and became a farmer and a trader in farmers' produce. He shouldered a musket for three years, in the war for the Union, in Company G, Eighteenth C. V. He is a Trustee of the Methodist Church.

CALVIN ARNOLD

Of Woodstock is a sturdy temperance Republican, who was born in Union, July 29, 1842. He served from January, 1864, until the close of the war in the First Connecticut Cavalry; for about eleven months he was a corporal. He is a carriage manufacturer, a member of the firm of Arnold Brothers. He has never held public office before.



F. RATCHFORD STARR

Of Litchfield, was born at Poplar Grove, Halifax, N. S., June 19, 1821. His early life was one of much activity, devoted, after his removal to the States, exclusively to the insurance business, from which he retired some years since, and became proprietor of the well-known "Echo Farm," in Litchfield, which connection he still retains. Mr.

Starr is an enthusiast in his profession, a gentleman of great energy, exerting a wide influence among the agriculturists of this State. In politics he is a Republican. He was a member of the Legislature last year, serving as Chairman of the Committee on Humane Institutions. He occupies the same position the present session.

EDWARD E. CHAMPLIN

Of Litchfield, was born in Dorehester, Mass., June 13, 1841. His father is a native of West-erly, R. I., where his ancestors settled in 1661, but removed early to Stonington, Conn. His mother was a Bostwick, of New Milford, Conn. He was educated at the common schools and at the Woleott Institute, Litchfield, Conn., and was for a time in Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky. Mr. Champlin was engaged in cotton-planting in Louisiana for several years, and was afterwards a Railway Contractor in the South and West; was Deputy Sheriff in Litchfield County for three years from June, 1878, and has been Chairman of the Board of Relief in the Town of Litchfield. He belongs to the Democratic party, and has never before served in the Legislature.

THEODORE L. JOHNSON

Of Barkhamsted, was born in that town July 27, 1843, and was educated in the common schools. The present is his first term in public office. He is a Democrat in politics, and a farmer by occupation.

JUSTIN HODGE

Of Barkhamsted, was born at Roxbury, April 21, 1816, and was educated in the common schools of that town and the Academy at Washington. He has held a number of local offices, including that of First Selectman, Justice of the Peace, and Board of Relief. At present he is a Justice of the Peace, and Notary Public. Mr. Hodge is engaged in the insurance business, and is a Democrat in politics. He became a resident of Barkhamsted in 1835, and has had his home there ever since. At the opening of the Mexican war he was appointed First Lieutenant of Company K, Ninth United States Infantry, his commission dating from March, 1847. For meritorious conduct he was promoted to the position of Regimental Quartermaster. In 1848 he was mustered out of the service. From 1858 until 1861 he was connected with the Ellington High School. At the breaking out of the Rebellion, he was ten-

dered the office of Brigade Quartermaster, which he accepted, and was mustered into the service, April 19, 1861. For meritorious conduct at Bull Run he was promoted to the rank of Captain, by Act of Congress, August 5, 1861. His conduct at the battle of Cedar Mountain, August 19, 1862, resulted in his being promoted to the position of Chief Quartermaster of the Banks Expedition, which left New York December 16, 1862. His gallantry at the first advance on Port Hudson won him the Colonelcy of the First Regiment of Louisiana. After the capitulation of Port Hudson, Colonel Hodge was ordered to Texas, where he held an important command from September, 1863, until August, 1864, when his health failed, and he was ordered to Washington. In December, 1864, he was ordered to join General Sherman's command at Chattanooga, and was appointed to the command of a brigade, participating in the "famous march to the sea." In the spring of 1865, he was assigned to a command in North Carolina, with headquarters at Fayetteville. He returned to his old home at the close of the war, and has traveled extensively through Mexico, South America and Canada since 1865. Colonel Hodge is a man of fine ability, and large experience of men and affairs.

FRANK H. THOMPSON

Of Bethlehem, belongs to the Democratic party, was born in Bethlehem, January 22, 1858, and received a common-school education, including a course in the Hartford graded schools. He is a farmer by occupation.

FREDERICK A. PECK

Of Bridgewater, was born in Bridgewater, January 29, 1841, and received a common-school education. He was a member of the Board of Selectmen from 1865 to 1882, with the exception of two years, most of the time occupying the position of First Selectman. He has been a member of the Board of Assessors, and also of the Board of Education. He is a Justice of the Peace. By occupation Mr. Peck is a farmer, and in politics he is a Democrat.



LINUS B. WINEGAR

Of Kent, was a member of the Legislature during the session of 1883, serving on the Democratic side of the House. For thirty years he successfully conducted the wagon and carriage business at Kent, but retired from it April 1, 1880. Mr. Winegar is a member of St. Andrews' Episcopal church at Kent, and one of the vestrymen. He enjoys the fullest confidence of his townsmen, and has received numerous proofs of their friendship and esteem. A year ago last fall he was elected to the House by a practically unanimous vote of

the town, there being only two votes against him. He has several times represented his church in diocesan conventions, and is an active member of St. Luke's Lodge of Masons, at Kent, in which he has held the office of junior warden for three years. Mr. Winegar is a Justice of the Peace and Grand Juror. He was born at Kent, April 29, 1828, and received a common-school education. He is this session serving on the Committee on School Fund.

ELISHA B. GILLETTE

Of Canaan, is engaged in farming and the lumber business, and is 54 years of age, having been born at Canaan, September 27, 1829. He was educated in the common schools, and has taken an active interest in the schools of his town, having served for years on the School Committee and Board of Education. Mr. Gillette is a Democrat.

GEORGE S. IVES

Of Colebrook, was a member of the House in 1862, and is at present Postmaster. He has served on the Board of Selectmen for three terms, and is actively interested in local affairs. He is also interested in mercantile pursuits. Mr. Ives was born at Colebrook November 27, 1832, and received a common-school education. In politics he is a Republican.

ORRIN W. OLES

Of Colebrook, was born at Otis, Mass., May 12, 1827, and received a common-school education. He has been a member of the School Committee, Tax Collector, and Grand Juror. At present he is a member of the Board of Assessors. He is a carpenter and joiner, and is also engaged in farming. In politics he is a Democrat.

GEORGE W. SHEPARD

Of Cornwall, is engaged in farming, and belongs to the Democratic party. He has not before held public office of any kind. Mr. Shepard was born at West Cornwall, December 25, 1854, and received a common-school education.

SEYMOUR JOHNSON

Of Cornwall, was born at Cornwall, August 16, 1812, and resides on the estate which has been in the possession of the Johnson family since the settlement of the town. He has been engaged in farming for half a century, and is an extensive land proprietor. Mr. Johnson has a thorough common and select school education, graduating from Rev. Wm. Andrews' private academy. He is a firm advocate of the common-school system, and served twelve years on the School Committee in his district. He has also held the office of

Selectman, Justice of the Peace, and other town offices. Mr. Johnson was formerly a member of the Whig and Republican party, but of late years has been a Democrat. He supported Horace Greeley for President.

JOSEPH HOWARD NORTH

Of Goshen, is engaged in the practice of medicine, receiving his degree of M. D. from the Long Island College Hospital, June 26, 1873. He was formerly Constable and Acting School Visitor in Cornwall. At present he is Town Clerk and Registrar of births, deaths, and marriages at Goshen. He received a good education at Colonel Ira Pettibone's school at Cornwall, and studied medicine with his uncle, Dr. B. B. North. Mr. North was born at Cornwall, January 15, 1846, and resided there until 1873, when he removed to Goshen. He is a Democrat in politics.

SIMMONS W. SCOVILLE

Of Goshen, is an independent Democrat, and a member of the Board of Selectmen at Goshen. He has been engaged in blacksmithing and wagon making for the past fifty-four years. He was born at Middlebury, August 21, 1811, and received a common-school education.

JAMES S. BALCH

Of Harwinton, is a member of the Republican party. He was born April 21, 1825, and received a common-school education. Mr. Balch is a farmer by occupation.

HENRY VON TOBEL

Of Harwinton, is the Republican Tax Collector of that town, and is engaged in farming. He was born in New York, April 16, 1849, and was educated in the common schools. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

GEORGE HIRAM PAGE

Of Morris, has been a member of the Board of Selectmen, and is engaged in farming. He was born at Canaan, June 16, 1845, and received a common-school education. He has acted with the Democrats during his term in the Legislature.



DARIUS B. SMITH

Of New Hartford, is a prominent manufacturer of New Hartford, and has been an active business man there for more than forty years. He was born at East Haddam, November 19, 1815, and received a substantial common-school education. His father was Asa Smith, a well-known cotton-manufacturer in his day. His mother was Mary Brainard Beckwith, of Lyme. Mr. Smith was one of a family of fourteen children, seven boys and seven girls, all of whom, with one exception, reached maturity. When he was a child his father engaged in partnership with Joseph Whitmore, (who, by the way, reared a family of fourteen girls,) and built with him what is now the stone mill in Moodus. Subsequently they built the works now owned by Harper Boise. Mr. Smith really commenced his active life in this mill, engaging in work there when he was but nine years of age. At eighteen he removed to Great Barrington, Mass., entering the employ of

Whitmore, of Hartford, and at twenty he was intrusted with charge of Mr. Whitmore's machine-shops, having twenty men under his supervision. He established a partnership at twenty-one with A. T. H. Spencer, and conducted works at Great Barrington for the manufacture of machinery. The financial crisis of 1837 impeded the progress of the firm; but with shrewd management their business was successfully piloted through the embarrassments that resulted in disaster to so many concerns at that time. When twenty-six years old he established himself with his brother, A. J. C. Smith, at New Hartford, and laid the foundation for the extensive cotton-works which he afterwards built up there. In April, 1845, their mills were burned, and new ones were built at Pine Meadow. In 1875 Mr. Smith's mills were again burned out and rebuilt. During the war his factories were kept running constantly in the manufacture of tent material for the army. When the government levied the 5 per cent. tax on

manufacturers, he paid taxes on his goods to the amount of \$1,200 per month. Mr. Smith is a man of exceptional business qualifications, and has been a close observer of politics, though not practically participating in political management. He has never been an office-seeker, but has strenuously avoided office. In all practical ways he is a temperance man. He has decided views with regard to railroad issues, and believes in regulating freight transportation rates. In politics Mr. Smith is a Republican. He has served the present session on the Committee on Incorporations.

GEORGE R. ADAMS

Of New Hartford, was born April 16, 1814, in the house where he now lives, in the south part of New Hartford. He comes of an old and respected New England family. His father, George Adams, was deacon of the old church at Nepaug; he died in 1872 at the great age of 92 years. His mother's maiden name was Lucy Russell of Salisbury; she was a niece of John Russell, a former editor of the *Hartford Times*. The first member of the family who came to the town from Hartford was William, whose mother was sister of Rev. Thomas Hooker; he settled on the farm and in the house now occupied by his grandson, the subject of this sketch, about 1785. Mr. Adams is a man of much intelligence, and received better educational advantages than were usually granted to the sons of farmers in his boyhood. He attended for two years the academy at Tarringford, which was between 1830-40, quite a noted school in this region. Mr. Adams is by profession a teacher, having taught almost continuously for forty years in Hartford County and vicinity. He is an active man in the church, a ready speaker, and a dignified presiding officer. He is greatly respected by all who know him, has never sought political honors, but was a member of the Board of School Visitors for several years, and is now on the Board of Relief. He married in 1839 Sophronia, daughter of Jacob O. Catlin of Harwinton, by whom he has one son.

AMOS H. BOWERS

Of New Milford, was a member of the House in 1882, serving on the Committee on Cities and Boroughs. During the past twenty years he has

taught school during the winter. For the past five years he has been Acting School Visitor, and has also served on the Board of Education. He was Census Enumerator for District No. 30, in 1880. Mr. Bowers was born at New Milford, February 2, 1845, and was educated in the common schools. He is a Democrat in politics.

EDWARD J. TRESCOTT

Of North Canaan, was formerly engaged in farming; but for the past seven years he has been in the butchering business. He has served as Assessor and Juror. Politically he acts with the Democratic party. He was born at North Canaan, June 25, 1848, and received a sound common-school education.

FREDERICK EDWARD PORTER

Of Norfolk, is a prominent business man at Norfolk, where he is at the head of a large and successful industry. For the past twenty-five years he has been engaged in the manufacture of the Norfolk and New Brunswick hosiery, a class of goods that stands high in the New York and New England markets. Mr. Porter was born at Colebrook, and is 61 years of age. His father was Captain Henry Porter, and the family have been residents of Colebrook ever since the settlement of the town, going there from Windsor. Mr. Porter has always been a Republican.

HOMER E. COOK

Of Plymouth, has held the office of Constable and Collector at Plymouth for the past seventeen years. He is a native of Wallingford, where he was born, June 20, 1825, and was educated in the common schools. Mr. Cook is in the employ of the Eagle Lock Company. Politically he is a Republican.

WILLIAM A. SPAULDING

Of Norfolk, is engaged in farming, and is a Republican in politics. He was born at Norfolk, June 3, 1847, and received a common-school and academic education. The present is his first term in the Legislature.



NICHOLAS STAUB

Of New Milford, is First Representative from that town. He was born in the Province of Lorraine, France—now in Germany, but still strongly attached to the French Republic—February 1, 1841. His father died when he was 12 years of age, thus leaving him to meet the responsibilities of life alone in boyhood. Of American institutions he read much, and like many other worthy young men in France, longed to breathe the air of the free United States. At 15 he started across the ocean, reaching New York the day before Christmas. His careful plans were interrupted by a thief, who made off with every cent of his money while he slept. Nothing daunted, however, he found employment and assistance. Then he went to Pennsylvania, where he lived for two years. In the spring of 1860 he came to Connecticut and settled in the town of Bridgewater, where he held an important local office, for which he was nominated without his own knowledge.

He has been similarly honored by New Milford, and is now the president of the Agricultural Society of that town, and a director in the same organization. Mr. Staub is a farmer and a dealer in seed-leaf tobacco. He made such an honored name for himself in the tobacco market that, in 1875, a brilliant dinner was tendered him by the tobacco growers of the Housatonic valley. They presented him with a fine gold watch, suitably inscribed with date of presentation and his monogram, and chain. This token he esteems highly. At this banquet he was cheered as one born on the banks of the Rhine, and happily responded by calling for cheers for a country that made no distinction against foreigners. In 1876 he was chosen a member of the House of Representatives, and served upon the Committee on Banks. In that capacity he had the distinction of offering the Savings Bank bill, by which it was intended to burden the citizens with \$55,000 of additional

taxation. Notwithstanding that his was the only negative vote in a committee of nine, he succeeded in defeating the measure both in the House and Senate. He was returned to the present House by a majority of 234—a larger majority than any other person has ever received in New Milford in a party issue. In 1872 the Democratic majority was only twenty-four. This year he is serving upon the Committee on Insurance. Mr. Staub is a staunch Democrat, and is thoroughly well informed about current affairs. In 1878 he revisited his native Lorraine with his wife and oldest boy. His wife is the youngest daughter of John Peck, Esq., of New Milford. He has three children by her, all sons.

PHILIP W. WELLS

Of Roxbury, was a member of the House last year, serving with the Democrats. He has been engaged in manufacturing and milling, and is now farming. He was for five years Postmaster, and Justice of the Peace for one term of four in the State of New York, before his return to Connecticut, having removed originally from this State to New York. He is at present a Grand Juror. Mr. Wells was born at New Milford, and is 61 years old. He was educated in the common schools, and at the Friends' Institute at Washington, N. Y.

SILAS B. MOORE

Of Salisbury, was a member of the House for the years of 1861 and 1862, and Judge of Probate for the Salisbury district from 1869 to 1876, and Town Treasurer of Salisbury for twenty-six years. He has been engaged in farming and as an iron and woolen manufacturer for twenty-five years. Judge Moore is a Democrat in politics. He was born at Salisbury, October 21, 1808, and received an academic education.

GEORGE B. CLARK

Of Salisbury, was a member of the House in 1873, and has been a member of the Boards of Selectmen and Relief. By occupation he is a farmer, and in politics a Democrat. He was born at Salisbury, March 6, 1817, and was educated in the common schools and at Amenia Seminary.

NELSON G. WILLSON

Of Sharon, was born in the town of North East, Dutchess County, N. Y., and is 41 years old. He was educated in the common schools, and at Amenia Seminary. During the war he served in the One Hundred and Fiftieth New York regiment. Mr. Willson is a farmer by occupation, and a Republican in politics.

CHARLES CHAUNCEY GORDON

Of Sharon, was born at Brooklyn, N. Y., and is 33 years of age. Since he was 11 years old he has lived in Sharon. He has held the office of Town Clerk, and is engaged in mercantile pursuits. Politically, Mr. Gordon is a Democrat.

PORTER DARROW

Of Thomaston, is a native of Bristol, where he was born in April, 1829, and received a common-school education. He is a contractor by occupation, at the clock works in his town. In politics he is a Republican. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

BURTON C. PATTERSON

Of Torrington, was born at Cornwall, September 10, 1839, and received a common-school education. He has held the offices of Selectman and Justice of the Peace, still retaining the latter position. He is the owner of Golden Farm, and is engaged in the milk business, furnishing New York consumers by special arrangement. In politics Mr. Patterson is a Republican.

FRANKLIN A. CURTISS

Of Warren, was born at Warren, December 2, 1821, and received a common-school and academic education. He has held the offices of Selectman, Grand Juror, member of the Board of Relief, Justice of the Peace for twenty-five years, and School Visitor for twenty. He is engaged in farming, and is a Republican in politics.



ISAAC W. BROOKS

Of Torrington, was born at Goshen, November 8, 1838, and was educated at Goshen Academy, receiving in addition a two years' course at Brown University. For ten years he was Town Clerk at Goshen. He is at present Town Treasurer at Torrington, Justice of the Peace, treasurer of the Torrington Savings Bank, and president of the Torrington Water Company. He has been engaged in the banking business for eleven years.

Before that he was interested in mercantile pursuits. Mr. Brooks is a brother of ex-Insurance Commissioner John W. Brooks, at present president of the Orient Fire Insurance Company. He is a business man of superior qualifications, and has been a successful manager of financial interests. In politics Mr. Brooks is a Republican. He serves the present session as Chairman on the part of the House of the Committee on Finance.

MYRON E. CABLE

Of Washington, was born at New Preston, January 17, 1852, and received a common-school and academic education. He is engaged in mercantile pursuits, and in politics is a Republican. The present is his first term in public office.

CHARLES P. LYMAN

Of Washington, was a member of the House last year, serving with the Democratic party in that body. He is a merchant by occupation. Mr. Lyman was born at New Preston, May 9, 1858, and received a common-school education.

GEORGE P. WOODWARD

Of Watertown, is a member of the Republican party. He is a traveling agent by occupation, for hardware and agricultural implements. Mr. Woodward was born at Litchfield, October 22, 1850, and was educated in the common schools and at the Watertown Academy.

SAMUEL B. HORNE

Of Winchester, was a member of the Second Connecticut Regiment, three months volunteers, and re-enlisted in the Eleventh Connecticut, serving with honor and distinction through the war. He was wounded three times, and was promoted for gallant conduct on the field, rising from the ranks to a captaincy in the Eleventh. He was Provost Marshal of the Eighteenth Corps under Generals Gibbon, Ord, and Weitzel, and proved himself an able officer. He is an active Grand Army man, holding the position of Judge Advocate of the State department in 1882, and during the past year that of Assistant Inspector of the department. He was born at Balleek, King's County, Ireland, March 3, 1843, and received a common-school and academic education. In 1869 he commenced the practice of law, removing to Michigan, where he remained until 1879. He has held the office of Deputy Sheriff in Litchfield County for three years, and was Tax Collector for one year at Winchester. He has been a Notary Public for eight years, and is a Commissioner of the Superior Court, and a Justice of the Peace. In 1869 Mr. Horne was Messenger of the Connecticut Senate. In politics Mr. Horne

is a Republican, and has done efficient service in this State for his party.

AUGUSTUS HALL FENN

Of Winchester, was born at Plymouth, January 18, 1844. He was educated in the Waterbury High School, and at the Harvard Law School, graduating from the latter institution in 1868. He was elected City Clerk at Waterbury in 1866, and was Judge of Probate in the Plymouth District from 1869 until 1876. He is at present Judge of Probate in the Winchester District, Justice of the Peace, and one of the Town Auditors. In 1875 he was the Republican candidate for Secretary of State. He had a brilliant war record, advancing from the rank of First Lieutenant in the Second Connecticut Heavy Artillery to that of Brevet Colonel, winning the honors that were awarded him by gallant and heroic services. He was on General McKenzie's staff during a portion of his army career, and was Assistant Adjutant-General in the Army of the James. Colonel Fenn was one of the bravest of Connecticut's representatives in the field, and his services will long be remembered by the Commonwealth. He was elected by the Democrats, but reserves to himself independence of action in the Legislature.

EDWARD N. BISHOP

Of Woodbury, was elected by the largest Republican majority ever given in his town. He is a farmer by occupation, but has also been engaged in teaching. He was born at Woodbury, June 24, 1838, and received an excellent education, including courses of study at Fort Edward Institute in New York, and the State Normal School at New Britain. He has held the office of Selectman for three years.

HORACE D. CURTISS

Of Woodbury, was born at Woodbury, and is 42 years of age. He received a common-school education, and is an able and active business manager, being connected with the firm of Daniel Curtiss & Sons, woolen manufacturers, and also with the Tapestry Manufacturing Company. Mr. Curtiss was a member of the House in 1868, and has also held the office of First Selectman. In politics he is a Republican.



HORACE R. BUTLER

Of Middletown, was in the House in 1883. He was born in Cromwell, April 12, 1845, studied in the common schools and became a builder. He has been a member of the Common Council, Board of Water Commissioners (and is still con-

neted with it), and Board of Relief; he has also served as Town Auditor. His politics is Democratic. He is on the Committee on Cities and Boroughs the present session.

MICHAEL W. LAWTON

Of Middletown, in 1868 and 1869, superintended, at the Providence Tool Company's Works, the shipment of rifles to Turkey; then he went to Middletown and engaged in the boot and shoe business. He is now a Justice of the Peace, and an agent to vote on the town's railroad stock. He has been a Selectman, Registrar of Voters, and a member of the Common Council for five consecutive years. As a total abstainer from intoxicating liquors he assisted in organizing the Connecticut Total Abstinence Union. He was born in Portland, Conn., May 18, 1840, and was educated at the Portland High School, and under A. A. Cody, now an Attorney at Middletown. He is a Democrat.

HENRY S. GATES

Of Chatham, formerly Constable, Tax Collector, Board of Relief, and Selectman (for five years), and now an Assessor, and who is in the farming and lumber business, was born in Chatham, East Hampton Society, October 12, 1840. He studied in common and select schools, and for six months was at the Seminary in East Greenwich, R. I. He is a Republican.

IRVIN NEWTON TIBBALS

Of Chatham, was born at Cobalt, October 26, 1858, studied in the common schools, and graduated in 1878 from the Yale Business College of New Haven. For three years he has been Chairman of the Town Committee. He is a merchant and a Republican.

FRANKLIN YOUNG SILLIMAN

Of Chester, was born in that town in 1835, and derived his education from the public schools there. This is his first legislative experience. He has been engaged in mechanical pursuits, and during the last eleven years has been a railroad agent. He has resided in Chester all his life, save two years that he spent in Minnesota. He has been a Republican since the organization of the party.

ASA S. PELTON

Of Clinton, a physician and druggist, who also keeps a large country store, was born in Killingworth, in 1816, and is 67 years old. For twenty-six years he practiced medicine after the eclectic standard, and then devoted himself exclusively to the sale of drugs and general goods, a business he has followed for the past twenty years. He is now Town Auditor and Law Agent of the town, and has been a Grand Juror and member of the Board of Relief. He is a Republican.

CHARLES P. SAGE

Of Cromwell, who is 54 years of age, having been born in Cromwell, December 26, 1829, was educated at Springfield, Mass., and at the Academy, Cromwell. In '78, '79, and '80, he was a Selectman, and he has been a corporator and director in the Dime Savings Bank at Cromwell. He is a farmer and a Republican.

ALVIN P. ROBERTS,

First Representative from Durham, was born in Middletown (Westfield Society), July 21, 1828. When he was only two months old his father died. At the age of six months he was taken by his mother to Durham, and has lived there ever since. His education was obtained at the common school and the Durham Academy. He is a Republican, and has served on the Board of Relief and the School Board, of which he is still a member. His grandfather was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. Mr. Roberts is a member of the Committee on Fisheries.

JUDSON E. FRANCIS

Of Durham, was born in Killingworth, September 11, 1837, was educated at the common schools and Durham Academy, and after three years spent in the employ of Edward Miller, manufacturer of brass goods in Meriden, and ten years' employment at the Merriam Manufacturing Company's factory in Durham, turned his attention to farming. He has been for several years a member of the Board of School Visitors, and is a Republican.

ALBERT E. OLMSTED

Of East Haddam, has a highly honorable record in that, when he lost his property by investments in the Air Line Railroad, instead of taking advantage of the bankruptcy law, he began to pay every dollar of his liabilities. Although the struggle was a hard one, he accomplished his end. He was born in Colchester, Conn., May 9, 1845, and for some time has been secretary and treasurer of the Moodus drum and fife corps. He began the farming and timber business on his own account when he was 21 years of age. At 24 he began the meat business, which he still follows. He is a Republican.

JOSEPH O. WARNER

Of East Haddam, born in Hadlyme, March 3, 1817, has been a Selectman, and has held other town offices. A farmer and a Republican, he secured his education in the common and select schools.

JAMES MILNOR PRATT

Of Essex, was born in Center Brook, August 1, 1846. He graduated with honor from Williams College, in the class of 1870. He is a farmer, was a Grand Juror the past year, and is now one of the Acting School Visitors. For three years he taught in the Deaf and Dumb Institute in Minnesota, six years in the same kind of an institute at Philadelphia, and one year at the Sniffield Literary Institute, where he was associated with John Coats, Representative elect from Windsor Locks. When his father, the late Selden M. Pratt, who was Representative from Essex six times, died, the son took the old farm. He is a straight Republican, "with no limitations except conscience."

HENRY HUBERT BRAINARD

Of Haddam, is fifty-three years of age, and a native of Haddam. At the select school of Rev. James Noyes at Haddam, he studied, and became a farmer. He has been an Assessor and Selectman, and served in the House of 1882. In a town that is usually Democratic by seventy-five majority, he, a Republican, was chosen this year by ninety-four majority.

CLINTON BURGESS DAVIS

Of Haddam, was first Representative in the House of 1883, and was Clerk of the Committee on Incorporations. He is a merchant and manufacturer, Secretary and Treasurer of the Higginson Manufacturing Company, and acts with the conservative Democrats. Hartford is his native place. He was born July 27, 1843, and educated at the public schools of Hartford, in the High School, and afterwards at Russell's Institute in New Haven.

DAVID K. STEVENS

Of Killingworth, was in the House in 1883, and is a Democrat, born in Killingworth, October 28, 1835, and educated in common and select schools. He is a farmer, Justice of the Peace, a Registrar of Electors, and a member of the Board of Relief. He has been a Constable, Grand Juror, and Assessor.

MYRON ST. CLARE BURR

Of Killingworth, was born in that town, October 2, 1852, and is therefore thirty-one years of age. He has been a Constable, Justice of the Peace, and member of the School Visiting Committee. He was in the House in 1883, and served on the Committee on Capitol, Furniture, and Grounds. He is an agriculturist, and a Democrat, and was educated in the common schools.

PETER W. BENNETT

Of Middletown, was born at Snow Hill, Worcester County, Maryland, in 1818. His parents were slave owners, but liberated their slaves before his birth. He went to New York when a young man and learned the gunsmith's trade. Then he went to Middletown, and a few years later to Middletown. He has been a manufacturer for the last twenty-five years. He studied in the common schools of Maryland, and has held many minor offices in Middletown. In 1871 he was a member of the House, and served on the Committee on Cloture, and on Temperance. He is a Republican.

RUFUS C. DENISON

Of Old Saybrook, is seventy-one years of age, having been born at Old Saybrook, October 12, 1812. The common schools gave him an education, and he then became a contractor and builder, but is now a farmer. For nine years he was a Deputy Sheriff, and for seven years first Selectman, elected by the votes of both political parties. He has also been a Justice of the Peace, Town Collector, Constable, and member of the Board of Relief. He is now a Selectman, and Trustee of the Essex Savings Bank. He has always been a Democrat.

ANDREW CORNWALL

Of Portland, was born there, January 25, 1822. He attended the common schools, and is now a Road Commissioner, and a member of the Board of Relief. He was formerly a Selectman. He is a farmer by occupation, and in politics a Republican.

GEORGE FRANCIS SPENCER

Of Saybrook, was, from July, 1869, to March, 1873, Steward and Collector of the Connecticut Literary Institute at Suffield. In 1865 he was Postmaster at South Windham. At Lebanon, in 1868, he was Registrar of Electors. In December, 1875, he became the senior member of the

firm of Spencer Brothers, dealers in general merchandise and coal, at Deep River, and since the death of his brother, Dwight S. Spencer, in March last, he has continued the business under the old firm name. Since 1881 he has been a Justice of the Peace, and Secretary of the Board of Education, and Acting School Visitor of Saybrook. He was born in Hampton, Conn., January 18, 1842, and is a Republican.

CHARLTON M. PRATT

Of Saybrook, a farmer and traveling agent for farming machinery, was born at Deep River, April 18, 1856. He graduated from the Morgan School at Clinton, and the Business College at Valparaiso, Ind. He is a Republican.

OLIVER H. NORRIS

Of Westbrook, was born at Westbrook, in 1835, received an academic education, and is a school-teacher by profession. He has been Town Agent and First Selectman for six years, Secretary of the Board of School Visitors for twelve years, a Justice of the Peace, and a member of the Board of Relief. Mr. Norris thinks the temperance reform ought to begin at the tables of the rich. He is a Republican, with independent habits of thought and action.



ELLIOT P. SKINNER

Of Andover, was a member of the House in 1881, serving on the Finance Committee. He was also Chairman that year of the Committee on the Revision of Joint Rules. He is at present Town Committee for the Republicans, one of the Town Auditors, and Justice of the Peace. He has served as Acting School Visitor, Chairman of the Board of Education, and of the Board of Relief and Registrar of Voters. In 1879 he was appointed by Governor Andrews one of the Appraisers of State property at the Wethersfield prison. He received the Republican nomination for Senator in the old 21st District in 1874, and was the Republican candidate for Judge of Probate in the Andover District in 1882. Mr. Skinner was born at Vernon, November 2, 1831. After receiving a common-school education he attended the Plainfield Academy, and then Williston Sem-

inary, Easthampton, Mass. He was principal of the Washington and of the Franklin public schools in the city of Rahway, New Jersey, when his health failed, compelling him to retire from all business for quite a period of time. His grandfather was a Revolutionary soldier, enlisting and serving under Col. Israel Putnam. The death of his father when Mr. Skinner was only nine years of age, left him to his own resources, and he knew what it was, early in life, to struggle for success. Mr. Skinner is a leading Republican in his town, and was elected last fall by the largest majority that has been given a candidate to the Legislature there in years. He is at present House Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, and Chairman of the Tolland County Representatives.

THOMAS G. ROOT

Of Tolland, was born at Canton, June 17, 1847, and received a common-school education. He is engaged in farming at Tolland, where he has been a resident and active citizen for a number of years. Mr. Root has been a member of the Board of Selectmen for two terms, and also of the Board of Assessors for three years. He is a Democrat in politics.

OSCAR A. LEONARD

Of Tolland, was born at Stafford, December 14, 1853, and received a common-school education. His business is farming, and in politics he is a Democrat. The present is Mr. Leonard's first appearance in the Legislature.

WILLIAM BADGER WILLIAMS

Of Bolton, is engaged in mercantile business, and is 28 years of age. He was born at Bolton, July 1, 1855, and received a common-school education in the schools of the town. He is a member of the Democratic party. The present is his first term in the Legislature.

GEORGE B. FULLER

Of Columbia, was born there, October 11, 1836, and received a common-school education. He has been engaged in mercantile pursuits during most of his life, spending ten years in Hartford, seven of the number having been occupied in clerical duties at John Farris' old music-store on Central Row. He has been Postmaster at Columbia since 1870, and has also held the office of Town Clerk. Mr. Fuller is a Republican in politics.

THOMAS B. WALKER

Of Coventry, has held the offices of Constable and Assessor, and belongs to the Democratic party. By occupation Mr. Walker is a farmer. He was born in Coventry, July 4, 1841, and received a common-school education.

ALEXANDER STEWART HAWKINS

Of Coventry, was a member of the House in 1878, and has been elected to a number of town offices, including that of Selectman and Acting School Visitor. At present he is Chairman of the Board of Education, and member of the Board of Assessors. He was engaged in teaching from the time he was 18 years old until he was 28, when he entered into the grocery and dry-goods business at Liberty Hall in Lebanon. He remained there for three years. For the past thirteen years Mr. Hawkins has been occupied with farming, teaching, and town business. He was born at Griswold, December 25, 1838, and received a common-school and academic education. In politics Mr. Hawkins is a Democrat.

ALFRED U. CHARTER

Of Ellington, has held the offices of Constable, Assessor, and member of the Board of Selectmen. He is engaged in farming and the lumbering business. In politics he is a Democrat. Mr. Charter was born at Ellington, November 28, 1849, and was educated in the common schools.

JUDSON STRONG

Of Hebron, has served on the Board of Selectmen, Board of Assessors, and Board of Relief, and has held the office of Road Inspector. His business has been principally that of farming. He has also worked as a carpenter and joiner. At present he is engaged in the lumber trade. Mr. Strong is a Republican, and has always voted with that party. He was born at Hebron, January 4, 1818, and received a common-school education.

EPHRAIM J. WILCOX

Of Hebron, is a member of the Democratic party, his election being a gain in his town, which has usually gone Republican. He was born at Hebron, January 11, 1843, and received a common-school education. His business has been that of designer and general builder. He has also made ornamental building a specialty.

KIAH BAILEY GLIDDEN

Of Mansfield, was born at New Castle, Me., and is 63 years of age. He was educated at Lincoln Academy and at Bangor Theological Seminary, graduating in the class of 1859, Rev. Dr. E. P. Parker of the South Congregational Church in Hartford being one of his classmates. He was ordained pastor of the Congregational Church at Westmoreland, N. H., in June, 1860. He is at present pastor of the First Congregational Church at Mansfield. He has also occupied pastorates at Enfield and Redding, but the greater portion of his pastoral life has been spent at Mansfield. Mr. Glidden is Acting School Visitor. He is a member of the Republican party, and in favor of prohibition.

ELISHA TROWBRIDGE BOLLES

Of Mansfield, has been engaged in farming since 1869. For twenty-five years before that time he was engaged in mercantile pursuits. He has acted with the Republican party since its organization. Mr. Bolles has held the offices of Grand Juror, and member of the Board of Relief, still retaining the latter position. He was born at Eastford, April 20, 1825, and was educated in the common schools.

LORENZO D. CONVERSE

Of Somers, enlisted when he was only sixteen years of age, serving one year and eight months in the First Connecticut Cavalry, under General Sheridan in the Shenandoah. He was born at Somers, June 29, 1847, and received the best education that the common and select schools of his town afforded. He has generally followed agricultural pursuits, his health requiring him to be out of doors a good deal. But he is a competent book-keeper by profession. His father, Samuel Converse, was a pensioner of the war of 1812, and a staunch Republican. Mr. Converse himself has also been a Republican from the outset of his political life.

ARNOLD CONVERSE

Of Somers, was born at West Stafford, July 13, 1821, and received a common-school education. He has held the offices of Grand Juror, member of the Board of Relief for three years, and Assessor for five. At present he is a Justice of the Peace. Mr. Converse is a farmer by occupation, and belongs to the Republican party.

JOHN CLAYTON FULLER

Of Stafford, was born at Stafford Springs, in 1850, and received a common-school and academic education. He is a member of the Democratic Town Committee, at Stafford, and has held the office of Tax Collector for the Borough of Stafford Springs. He is at present a Justice of the Peace. Mr. Fuller is engaged in the painting business.

HENRY McKINNEY

Of Stafford, was born at Amherst, Mass., April 12, 1838, and received a common-school education. He has been a member of the School Board, and also of the Democratic Town Committee. During the war he served in the Twenty-fifth Connecticut, under Colonel George P. Bissell of Hartford. By occupation he is a joiner.

ALBERT E. WELD

Of Union, was a member of the House in 1864, and has held the offices of Assessor, Selectman, Collector of Taxes, Registrar of Voters, and School Visitor. He is at present School Visitor, Justice of the Peace, and Registrar of Electors. He is a mechanic by occupation, and in politics is a Republican. Mr. Weld was born at Starbridge, Mass., March 22, 1843, and received a common-school education.

GEORGE L. BAKER

Of Union, holds the office of Postmaster, and is engaged in the manufacturing business. He is a member of the Democratic party. His birthplace was at Wales, Mass., where he was born April 3, 1836. Mr. Baker was educated in the common schools.

FRANK HENRY BROWN

Of Vernon, was born at Brimfield, Mass., August 5, 1850, and graduated from the Hitchcock Free High School in that place in 1869. He has resided at Rockville since 1870, where he has held the position of accountant with the Hockanum Company. Mr. Brown is a Republican in politics.

WILLIAM RANDALL

Of Vernon, is engaged in the grocery and dry-goods business, and belongs to the Republican party. He was born at North Bradley, Eng., and is 50 years of age. He removed to the United States in 1855, and has since resided here. Mr.

Randall is self-educated. He has been a member of the Republican Town Committee, and has held the office of Justice of the Peace.

JUDSON A. POTTER

Of Willington, is a Justice of the Peace and a member of the Republican Town Committee. He enlisted in the Twenty-seventh Massachusetts, when only 17 years of age. Subsequently he re-enlisted in the First Connecticut Heavy Artillery, and served until the close of the war. He was born at Colchester, March 2, 1844, and received a common-school education.

ALBERT HALL

Of Willington, is a machinist by occupation, and has been engaged most of his active life in the various departments of cotton-thread manufacture. He is at present interested in mining operations. He belongs to the Republican party. Mr. Hall was born at Stafford, April 1, 1846, and was educated in the common schools.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES, ETC.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

ON THE JUDICIARY.

Senator Seefield, 12th District.

Messrs. Case of Granby, Fenn of Winchester, McLean of Simsbury, Law of New Haven, Kingsley of Lebanon, Glover of Fairfield, Coats of Windsor Locks, Tallmadge of Bridgeport.

ON SCHOOL FUND.

Senator Yale, 6th District.

Messrs. Bell of Norwalk, Neale of Southington, Hopson of Wallingford, Jewett of Lyme, Carey of Canterbury, Winegar of Kent, Pratt of Saybrook, Hall of Willington.

ON BANKS.

Senator Turner, 5th District.

Messrs. Gay of Farmington, Durand of Milford, Bentley of New London, Ruggles of Huntington, Chase of Thompson, Moore of Salisbury, Francis of Durham, Baker of Union.

ON STATE PRISON.

Senator Hyatt, 13th District.

Messrs. Stiles of North Haven, Griswold of Rocky Hill, Tibbs of Old Lyme, Northrop of Sherman, Card of Sterling, Patterson of Torrington, Stevens of Killingworth, Williams of Bolton.

ON NEW TOWNS AND PROBATE DISTRICTS.

Senator Richardson, 19th District.

Messrs. Horne of Winchester, Avery of South Windsor, Gramiss of Cheshire, Chapman of North Stonington, Andrews of Darien, Emerson of Plainfield, Pelton of Clinton, Barlow of Brookfield.

ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Senator DeForest, 14th District.

Messrs. Sherwood of Westport, Morrison of Enfield, Harrison of North Branford, Peckham of Ledyard, Hill of Plainfield, Porter of Norfolk, Warner of East Haddam, Arnold Converse of Somers.

ON INCORPORATIONS.

Senator Maltbie, 3d District.

Messrs. Cowles of Norwalk, Bishop of Avon, Forbes of East Haven, Otis of Colchester, Allen of Putnam, Smith of New Hartford, Davis of Haddam, Wilcox of Hebron.

ON CLAIMS.

Senator Clark, 2d District.

Messrs. Hull of Stonington, Middleton of Enfield, Beadle of Cheshire, Seeley of Easton, Haskins of Scotland, North of Goshen, Denison of Old Saybrook, Holcombe of Burlington.

ON EDUCATION.

Senator Cooke, 18th District.

Messrs. Lathrop of Norwich, Russell of Bristol, Norton of Guilford, Husted of Greenwich, Williams of Pomfret, Baldwin of Beacon Falls, Pratt of Essex, Alexander of Groton.

ON SALE OF LANDS.

Senator Plunkett, 8th District.

Messrs. Davis of Haddam, Miller of Hartland, Matthews of Branford, Palmer of Griswold, Coan of Trumbull, Kendall of Canterbury, Darrow of Thomaston, Strong of Hebron.

ON FINANCE.

Senator Glover, 15th District.

Messrs. Brooks of Torrington, Garvan of East Hartford, Lewis of Waterbury, Gardner of Waterford, Mead of Greenwich, Bartlett of Putnam, Tibbals of Chatham, Wilcox of Berlin.

ON RAILROADS.

Senator Allen, 21st District.

Messrs. Brainard of Hartford, Wheeler of Southbury, Potter of Voluntown, Croft of Danbury, Harrington of Windham, Curtis of Warren, Brainard of Haddam, Hawkins of Coventry.

ON MILITARY AFFAIRS.

Senator Stanton, 9th District.

Messrs. Noble of Bridgeport, Goodrich of Glastonbury, Smith of Waterbury, Williams of New London, Weaver of Hampton, Hodge of Buckingham, Olmsted of East Haddam, Linwood D. Converse of Somers.

ON AGRICULTURE.

Senator Crandall, 11th District.

Messrs. Brown of Brooklyn, Clark of Marlborough, Wheeler of Oxford, Stark of Lyme, Osborn of Reading, Prescott of North Canaan, Sargent of Cromwell, Buck of Westfield.

ON HUMANE INSTITUTIONS.

Senator Pember, 23d District.

Messrs. Starr of Litchfield, Gray of Bloomfield, Higby of Meriden, Chapman of Preston, Waterbury of Stamford, Arnold of Woodstock, Burr of Killingworth, Glidden of Mansfield.

ON CITIES AND BOROUGHES.

Senator Barrows, 16th District.

Messrs. Hubbard of Hartford, Jackson of Derby, Gilmour of Norwich, Cook of Stamford, Fowler of Windham, Champlin of Litchfield, Butler of Middletown, Russell of Wallingford.

ON FISHERIES.

Senator Dennis, 24th District.

Messrs. Skinner of Andover, Cowles of Manchester, Pardee of Bethany, Stead of Bozrah, Betts of New Fairfield, Latham of Eastford, Spaulding of Norfolk, Roberts of Durham.

ON INSURANCE.

Senator Cooley, 1st District.

Messrs. Pickett of New Britain, James of Seymour, Wheeler of North Stonington, Fenton of Danbury, Durkee of Ashford, Staub of New Milford, Silliman of Chester, Phelps of Simsbury.

ON MANUFACTURES.

Senator Day, 7th District.

Messrs. Curtiss of Woodbury, Grohman of East Granby, Platt of Derby, Branche of Sprague, Lyman of Washington, Towne of Thompson, Bennet of Middlefield, Leonard of Tolland.

ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Senator Stanton, 9th District.

Messrs. Couch of Stonington, Carrington of Naugatuck, Dunham of Ashford.

JOINT SELECT COMMITTEES.

ON TEMPERANCE.

Senator Clark, 2d District.

Messrs. Range of Guilford, Stillman of Hartland, Couch of Stonington, Rockwell of Ridgefield, Preston of Killingly, Carter of Wolcott, Lawton of Middletown, Fuller of Stafford.

ON FEDERAL RELATIONS.

Senator Alsop, 22d District.

Messrs. Lewis of Waterbury, Atwater of Southington, Bowers of New Milford, Hyde of Lisbon, Weed of New Canaan, Norris of Westbrook, Bishop of Woodbury, Randall of Vernon.

ON FORFEITED RIGHTS.

Senator Clark, 17th District.

Messrs. Fenn of Winchester, Ruic of Granby, Golden of Meriden, Comstock of East Lyme, Wakeman of Fairfield, Grosvenor of Pomfret, Gates of Chatham, Griswold of Madison.

ON CAPITOL, FURNITURE, AND GROUNDS.

Senator Welch, 4th District.

Messrs. Cook of Stamford, Hewitt of Wethersfield, Connor of Milford, Worthington of Colchester, Lavery of Windsor, Gordon of Sharon, Cornwall of Portland, Bolles of Mansfield.

ON REVISION OF JOINT RULES.

Senator Maltbie, 3d District.

Messrs. Tallmadge of Bridgeport, Bristol of Canton, Fenn of Middlebury, Hillard of Franklin, Fuller of Chaplin, Oles of Colebrook, Bishop of West Hartford, Fuller of Columbia.

ON NEW COUNTIES AND COUNTY SEATS.

Messrs. Brown of Vernon, Condell of Plainville, Platt of Prospect, Harvey of Salem, Lockwood of Weston, Inslee of East Windsor, Adams of New Hartford, Spencer of Saybrook.

ON CANVASS OF VOTES FOR JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Senator Barnes, 10th District.

Messrs. Jackson of Derby, Hollister of Windsor, Kneeland of Lebanon, Judson of Stratford, Alderman of Suffield, Van Tobel of Harwinton, Sanford of Reading, Weld of Union.

ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

Senator Clark, 2d District.

Messrs. Glover of Fairfield, Case of New Britain, Ayres of Orange, Gay of Montville, Buhl of Bristol, Woodward of Watertown, Lines of Woodbridge, Root of Tolland.

ON STATE LIBRARY.

Senator Cooley, 1st District.

Messrs. McLean of Simsbury, Potter of Willington, Brown of Groton.

ON MANUAL AND ROLL.

Senator King, 20th District.

Messrs. Brainard of Haddam, Spelman of Suffield, Walker of Woodstock.

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Senator Alsop, 22d District.

Messrs. Law of New Haven, Allen of East Windsor.

OFFICERS AND ATTACHES OF THE
SENATE.

CHAPLAIN.

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William A. Countryman, Post, Hartford; Charles H. Clark, Courant, Hartford; Thomas J. Campion, Telegram, Hartford; William Sheffield, Palladium, New Haven; F. M. Lovejoy, Journal and Courier, New Haven; Amos A. Browning, Bulletin, Norwich; Charles D. Page, Waterbury American, Waterbury; Weigand Schlein, Republican, New Haven; George S. Jeffrey, Meriden Republican, Meriden; Charles E. Woodruff, Herald, New Britain.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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CLERKS.

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MESSENGERS.

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POLITICAL DIVISION.

SENATE.	Rep.	Dem.
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

COUNTIES.

	Rep.	Dem.
Hartford,	31	13
New Haven,	22	11
New London,	17	13
Windham,	18	6
Fairfield,	18	14
Litchfield,	19	22
Middlesex,	16	6
Tolland,	12	10
	153	94

Republican Majority, 1884—Senate, 6; House, 59; Joint Ballot, 65.

THE
Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co.,
OF HARTFORD, CONN.

A well-known writer on Life and Fire Insurance topics speaks of the CONNECTICUT MUTUAL as "occupying the very first place among American life companies in the confidence of the people." This high tribute to the standing of an honorable and prosperous institution finds substantial concurrence in the Company's immense and increasing business, which voices the sentiment of the people with an accuracy more complete than that of mere human speech can be. Following are a few plain considerations which combine to show that the good opinions of the public regarding this Company are well founded:

Its Age. THE CONNECTICUT MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY was established more than a generation ago, and has a long history of uninterrupted and honorable prosperity.

Its Solidity. The Company's Assets on the first day of January, 1884, were FIFTY-TWO AND A HALF MILLIONS; an accumulation exceeded by but one other Company in the world.

Its Investments. Of its Assets, twenty-four millions are in first mortgages on real estate; twelve millions are in productive real estate owned by the Company; eleven millions in state, city, and other bonds and stocks; and one million cash in bank.

Its Reserve for the protection of its Policies is larger than that of any other Company in the Country.

Its Surplus, by the Company's severe standard, is over FOUR MILLIONS; and by the New York standard, over SEVEN MILLIONS.

Its Net Assets were increased last year by more than a Million Dollars. The market value of its stocks and bonds also reached \$259,037.11 in excess of their cost.

Its Disbursements to Policy-Holders since its organization have exceeded FIFTY MILLIONS; its disbursements in the same direction during the last year were upwards of THREE MILLIONS.

Its Economy of management is marvelous, its ratio of expense to receipts being much smaller than any other existing company.

Its Record is clean and honorable, its methods conservative, and its name has always been a synonym of whatever is honest and of good report wherever life insurance is known.

The Connecticut Mutual Life

Is commended to the attention of Insurers and the Public, in the belief that its Solid Attractions cannot fail of acknowledgment and appreciation by every intelligent Citizen of the Commonwealth.

THE Connecticut Mutual LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF HARTFORD, CONN.

Thirty-eighth Annual Statement.

NET ASSETS, January 1, 1883,.....\$50,172,371.91

Received in 1883:

For Premiums,	\$4,829,078.07
For Interest and Rents,.....	2,773,912.45
Profit and Loss,.....	247,212.35
	<u>7,850,202.87</u>
	\$58,022,574.78

Disbursed in 1883:

TO POLICY-HOLDERS:

For claims by Death and matured Endowments,.....	\$3,812,977.32
Surplus returned to Policy-holders, 1,189,666.54	
Lapsed and surrendered Policies,	774,177.93
Total paid Policy-holders,.....	\$5,786,821.79

EXPENSES:

Commissions to Agents,.....	\$285,439.18
Salaries of Officers, Clerks, and all others employed on salary,....	105,095.37
Medical Examiners' Fees,.....	15,567.90
Printing, Advertising, Legal, Real Estate, and all other expenses,	274,188.16

TAXES,

.....	700,290.61
.....	<u>344,871.06</u>
	6,827,013.46

Balance Net Assets, December 31, 1883,.....\$51,215,561.32

SURPLUS by Company's Standard,.....

SURPLUS by Connecticut Standard, 4 per cent.,.....

SURPLUS by New York Standard, 4½ per cent., over.....

RATIO OF EXPENSE OF MANAGEMENT TO RECEIPTS IN 1883, 8.9 per cent.

Policies in force December 31, 1883, 63,595, insuring.....

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS.

Loans upon Real Estate, first lien,	\$24,411.20 50
Loans upon Stocks and Bonds	4,512.41
Premium Notes on Policies in force,	2,84,276.50
Cost of Real Estate owned by the Company,	12,111,211.51
Cost of United States Registered Bonds,	99,125.00
Cost of State Bonds,	1,000.00
Cost of City Bonds,	1,002,873.69
Cost of other Bonds,	8,752,111.82
Cost of Bank Stock,	122,761.00
Cost of Railroad Stock,	26,000.00
Cash in Bank,	964,453.34
Balance due from Agents,.....	2,550.33
	<u>\$51,215,561.32</u>

Add Interest due and accrued,.....	\$1,026,792.71
Rents accrued,	16,483.54
Market value of Stocks and Bonds over cost,	286,737.11
Net Premiums in course of collection, Net deferred quarterly and semi-ann. premiums,	6,116.75
	<u>1,335,520.11</u>

Gross Assets, December 31, 1883,

LIABILITIES:

Amount required to re-insure all outstanding Policies, net assuming 4 per cent. interest,	\$47,766,413.40
Additional Reserve by Company's standard, 3 per cent. on Policies issued since April 1, 1882,	37,998.00
All other Liabilities,	749,431.99
	<u>48,553,843.39</u>

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Claims Paid in each Year from Organization, December 15, 1846, by the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Hartford, Conn.

1846.....	\$.....	1859.....	252,911.58	1872.....	2,000.00
1847.....	3,500.00	1860.....	222,988.00	1873.....	2,123.50
1848.....	17,750.00	1861.....	254,440.00	1874.....	2,511.00
1849.....	81,000.00	1862.....	339,580.00	1875.....	2,678.00
1850.....	103,716.27	1863.....	379,700.00	1876.....	2,804.00
1851.....	196,887.50	1864.....	422,700.00	1877.....	2,861.00
1852.....	199,417.00	1865.....	768,111.16	1878.....	2,861.00
1853.....	185,452.73	1866.....	907,000.00	1879.....	2,861.00
1854.....	253,132.79	1867.....	1,079,241.00	1880.....	2,861.00
1855.....	268,921.13	1868.....	1,136,000.00	1881.....	2,861.00
1856.....	268,921.13	1869.....	1,405,869.00	1882.....	2,861.00
1857.....	235,825.00	1870.....	1,751,000.00	1883.....	2,861.00
1858.....	213,050.00	1871.....	1,703,500.50		
Total amount paid from December 15, 1846, to December 31, 1883,					\$44,000,000.00
Endowment Policies paid during the same period,.....					\$1,000,000.00

OFFICERS:

JACOB L. GREENE, PRESIDENT.
JOHN M. TAYLOR, VICE-PRESIDENT.

W. G. ABBOT, SECRETARY.
DANIEL H. WELLS, ACTUARY.

DIRECTORS:

HENRY C. ROBINSON, of Hartford,	JACOB L. GREENE, of Hartford,	CHARLES M. BEACH, of Hartford,
THOMAS SISSON, "	FRANK W. CHENEY, "	JOHN M. TAYLOR, "
EDENEZER N. KELLOGG, "	WILLIAM B. FRANKLIN, "	JAMES J. GOODWIN, of New York,
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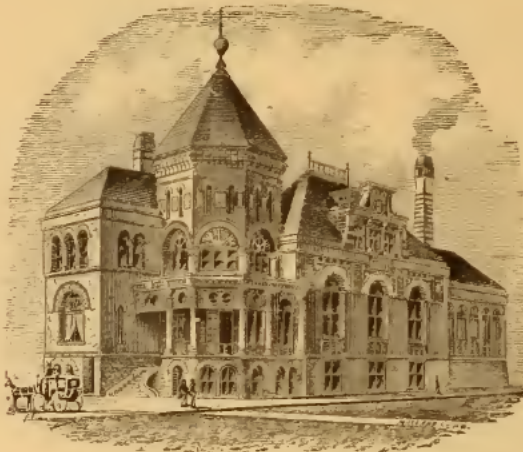
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,

HARTFORD, CONN.

CASH CAPITAL, - - - - -	\$1,000,000.00
RESERVE FOR ALL LIABILITIES, - - - - -	555,311.32
NET SURPLUS, - - - - -	282,417.88
TOTAL ASSETS, - - - - -	1,837,729.20

DIRECTORS.

JULIUS CATLIN,
HENRY T. SPERRY,
HENRY C. ROBINSON,
ALFRED E. BURR,
JOHN R. REDFIELD,
RODNEY DENNIS,
JULIUS CATLIN, JR.,
WM. J. WOOD,
F. G. WHITMORE,
T. W. RUSSELL,
J. D. BROWNE,
D. R. HOWE,
ROBERT ALLYN.



JOHN D. BROWNE,
President.

CHARLES R. BURT,
Secretary.

L. W. CLARKE,
Ass't Secretary.

R. S. BURT,
Local Agent, Hartford.

The Connecticut Fire Insurance Company.

(From the Hartford Evening Post.)

At a meeting of the directors of the Connecticut Fire Insurance Company, held this morning, the usual semi-annual five per cent. dividend was declared. The statement of business for the year shows a considerable increase in premium receipts and an increase in gross assets of about fifty thousand dollars. The income from all sources above losses and expenses has been a little over one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. For a hard year this is a good showing. The Connecticut ranks among the best companies in the country; its management is of the most sound and conservative character, and it is clearly a favorite with the insuring public.

The Connecticut Fire Insurance Company.

(From the Hartford Courant.)

The Connecticut Fire Insurance Company declared the usual five per cent. semi-annual dividend yesterday. The business for the year was reasonably satisfactory. The increase in premium receipts was about seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) and the gross assets are fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) more than a year ago. The net earnings for the year were a little more than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000); after paying a hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in dividends, the Company carries fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to surplus account.

The Connecticut Fire Insurance Company.

(From the Hartford Times.)

The Connecticut Fire Insurance Company divides five per cent. semi-annual, payable at once. Its business has increased considerably the past year, and its assets are \$50,000 more than on the first of January last. The administration of the affairs of the Company in the hands of the present officers has been conservative, and at the same time progressive.

CONNECTICUT GENERAL Life Insurance Company,

HARTFORD, CONN.

THOMAS W. RUSSELL, Pres't.

FRED V HUDSON, Sec'y.

E. B. PECK, Ass't Sec'y.

M. STORRS, M. D., Medical Adviser

J. D. CHURCH, Sup't Agencies

Assets, January 1st, 1884, - - \$1,430,398.42

Surplus to Policy-holders by Mass. and Conn. Standard, **\$303,606.92**

Surplus to Policy-holders by New York Standard, **382,811.92**

The purpose of its managers is first of all to do a safe business, and to increase that business by all means that are legitimate, and will command the approval of honorable, prudent men. During each of the six years past,

IT HAS INCREASED ITS ASSETS, HAS INCREASED ITS SURPLUS,

HAS INCREASED THE NUMBER OF ITS POLICIES,

HAS INCREASED THE AMOUNT OF INSURANCE IN FORCE,

AND HAS DECREASED ITS RATIO OF EXPENSE.

After a thorough examination of the business and securities of the Company in April, 1881, the Insurance Commissioner of the State, in his certificate, says:

"The assets of the company, as herein stated, will stand any test of soundness that can be applied to the investment of trust funds, and the perfect order and strict regard to economy which govern every department of the business of the company are worthy of all praise.

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(Signed) JOHN W. STEDMAN,
Insurance Commissioner "



Issues Policies of Insurance after a Careful Inspection of the Boilers,
COVERING ALL LOSS OR DAMAGE TO

BOILERS, BUILDINGS, AND MACHINERY,

ARISING FROM

STEAM BOILER EXPLOSIONS.

The Business of the Company includes all kinds of STEAM BOILERS. Full information concerning the plan of the Company's operations and its obtained at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, HARTFORD, CONN. or at any Agency.

J. M. ALLEN, Pres.

W. B. FRANKLIN, Vice-Pres.

J. B. PIERCE, Sec.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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LUCIUS J. HENDER, President Etha Fire Insurance Co.
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DANIEL PHILLIPS, of Adams Express Co.
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RICHARD W. H. JARVIS, Pres't Colt's Fire Arms Mfg. Co.
THOMAS O. ENDERS, Secretary Etha Life Insurance Co.

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NEWTON CARR, of The Conn. Lumber & Timber Co., Hartford
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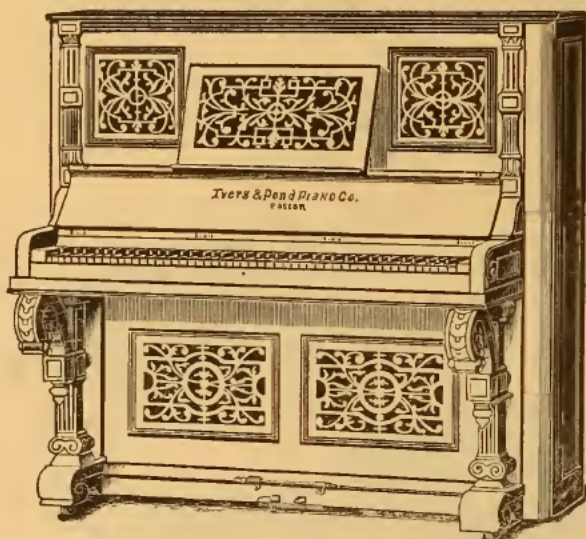
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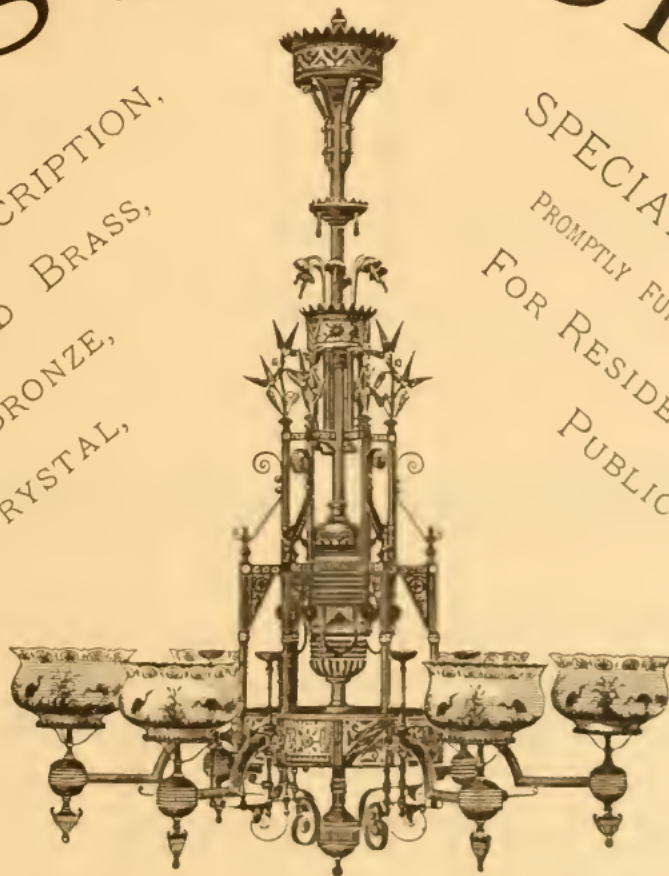
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