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PREFACE

The purposes of this volume are to give a clear, unadorned statement of the careers of the successful professional, business and public men of North Carolina for future reference, as a stimulant to the ambitious, and an inspiration to the young. The editors believe that it is the quiet success of ordinary lives that adds most brightness to human existence, and while we have carefully selected only the best, the exclusiveness of the work will not obviate its value as showing the worth of industry, integrity, and ability when allied with a fixed purpose and unfaltering courage.

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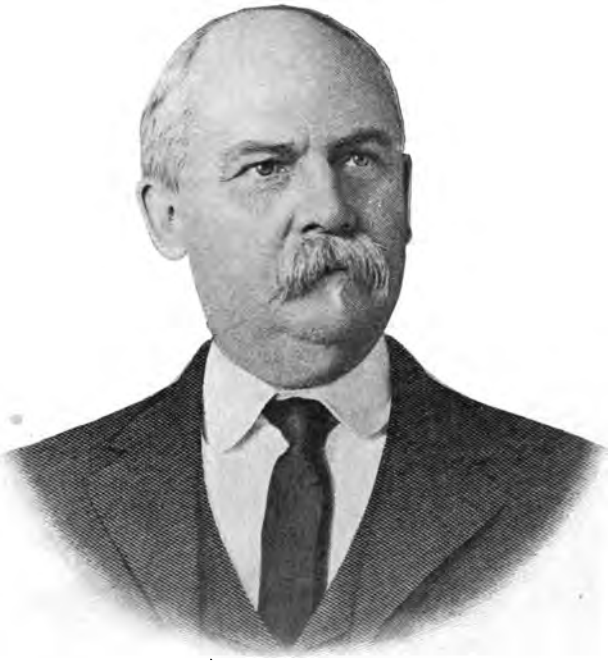

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Prominent People of North Carolina

ROBERT BRODNAX GLENN

Was born in North Carolina, August 11, 1854, a son of C. L. Glenn, who was killed in battle at South Mountain, Maryland, September 14, 1862. His mother was Miss Annie S. Dodge, and is still living.

He was educated at Davidson College, North Carolina, and the University of Virginia. He studied law under Chief Justice R. M. Pearson, and received his license to practice in the fall of 1877. He was a member of the Legislature of North Carolina in 1880 and 1881, a Cleveland elector in 1884; solicitor for the Ninth Judicial District in 1885 and 1886; elector for the state at large for Grover Cleveland in 1892; was appointed district attorney for the Western District of North Carolina by Mr. Cleveland, in 1893. He was a member of the Senate committee, taking an active part in framing the present Constitutional Amendment for the state. He had a large practice previous to his election as Governor, both criminal and civil, and displayed exceptional ability as a lawyer. He was assistant division counsel for the Southern Railway and division counsel for the Western Union Telegraph Company. In November, 1904, he was elected Governor of North Carolina and was inaugurated January 11, 1905.

He married Miss N. D. Deadrick, a daughter of J. F. Deadrick, and niece of Chief Justice Deadrick, of Tennessee, in January, 1878. His policy is ever for the greater development of his state, both in material, educational and spiritual growth.

WALTER CLARK

Was born August 19, 1846. His father was Gen. David Clark, of Halifax county; his mother was Anna M. (Thorne) Clark, daughter of Wm. W. Thorne, a planter of Halifax county. He was educated at the University of North Carolina, from which he graduated June 2, 1864, and holds the degrees of A. M. and LL. D. Previous to attending college he was a cadet at the Hillsboro Military Academy, and at the breaking out of the war, although only 14 years of age, he immediately entered the Confederate service as lieutenant and drill master in Col. J. J. Pettigrew's (22d N. C.) regiment. The next year he was adjutant of 35th N. C. regiment, commanded by Col. (afterwards U. S. Senator), M. W. Ransom. He was slightly wounded at Sharpsburg, Md., Sept. 17, 1862, and was at Fredericksburg and other battles. On the return of his brigade to North Carolina in 1863 he resigned and entered the State University and graduated as stated above, June 2, 1864, in the same class with Judge Augustus Van Wyck, of N. Y., W. A. Guthrie, of North Carolina, and others. The following day he was elected major of the 6th N. C. Battalion; and on July 3, 1864, he was promoted to Lieutenant Col. 70th N. C. regiment, being then 17 years of age and the youngest officer of his rank on either side. He was admitted to the bar in 1868, was judge of the Superior Court from 1885 to 1889, Associate Justice of the Supreme court from 1889 to 1902. In 1894 he was unanimously re-elected being voted for by all three political parties. In 1902 he was elected Chief Justice for the term ending Jan. 1, 1911. He is the author of the "Annotated Code of Civil Procedure of N. C.," which has gone through three editions and has annotated and reprinted 50 volumes of the Supreme Court reports which were out of print.

He is the editor of "Histories of North Carolina Regiments 1861-5" 5 vols., and of seventeen volumes of "North Carolina State Records." He translated from the French "Constant's Memoirs of Napoleon," 3 vols., and has been a frequent contributor to "Harpers," "North American Review," "Arena," and other magazines. He married Miss Susan W., only daughter of Governor and United State Senator W. A. Graham, of Orance county, North Carolina, 28th Jan. 1874, and has seven children, five sons and two daughters. His two eldest sons are President and Secretary respectively and principal owners of two cotton mills at Jonesboro, N. C. The third son having completed a course at law at the University of

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North Carolina is now at Law School of Columbia University, Washington, D. C. The two younger sons are students at the A. & M. College in Raleigh, from which their three elder brothers have all graduated. His eldest daughter, Miss Susan W. Clark, is a popular member of Raleigh society. His youngest daughter is yet a child of twelve.

He is largely interested in agriculture as owner of an extensive plantation on the Roanoke river. Up to the time of going on the bench he was general counsel and director of two railroads, the R. & G. R. R., and the Raleigh & Augusta Railway. He is a communicant of the Methodist Epworth Chapel in Raleigh, and has served as delegate to several general conferences and also to the Pan Methodist Conference in London several years ago, and is a Mason.

CLARENCE BERNARD BRYANT

Clarence Bernard Bryant was born at Pacolet, Spartanburg county, South Carolina, January, 1875. His father was W. F. Bryant, a merchant of ability and his mother before her marriage was Miss Atlanta Wood.

Mr. Bryant completed his education at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., class of 1897, taking the academic and law course. After graduation he became a resident of Charlotte, N. C., and entered the cotton business as member of the firm of J. H. Sloan & Co., who are Southern representatives of Geo. H. McFadden & Bro., of Philadelphia. He has been unusually efficient and has, through his enterprise and business acumen, extended his field of usefulness. He is the secretary and treasurer of the Charlotte Bonded Warehouse Company, a Charlotte corporation, whose large plant has a storage capacity of 4,000 bales of cotton. He is also secretary and treasurer of the American Cotton Manufacturers Publishing Co. This company issues two trade papers, "The American Cotton Manufacturer," a weekly publication, and the "American Manufacturer," a monthly. He is secretary and treasurer of the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association and secretary of Rhodhiss Mfg. Co., a large cotton mill at Rhodhiss, N. C. During his college days he was president of the Eplison Province of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. He is a member of the Southern Manufacturers' Club and takes a prominent part in the social life of Charlotte.

Mr. Bryant was married in 1897 to Miss Ophelia Turner, of Nashville, Tenn.

FREDERICK C. ABBOTT.

Frederick C. Abbott was born in Waterbury, Conn., May 20th, 1862, and is a son of Anson F. Abbott, a prominent real estate and insurance man whose early advice has stood the son in good stead in his business career. Mr. Abbott's mother, before her marriage was Miss Nancy Merriman, a native of Connecticut. He received his early education in the public schools of Waterbury, and in the Waterbury English and Classical School and prepared to enter Yale scientific course. At the age of 18 he entered his father's office, and became a partner after six years in the practical work of the business. For reasons of health he moved to Asheville in 1892, and in the fall of 1892 he bought a place at Flat Rock, N. C., and lived there for five years, regaining his health, and engaging in fruit growing as a pastime.

Mr. Abbott moved to Charlotte in November, 1897, and started in the real estate and investment business as F. C. Abbott and later as Abbott & Stevens. In 1900 with a few associates he organized the Piedmont Realty Co., serving as director and treasurer. This company built the beautiful Trust Building in Charlotte, the finest office building in the state, and the Charlotte Academy of Music, the most luxurious play house in North Carolina.

During July, 1901, he was largely influential in organizing the Southern States Trust Co., of which he was president and a director for the first year of its existence, when he resigned to engage in his former business of real estate and investment broker. He served for a year and a half during 1901 and 1902 as president of the Chamber of Commerce of Charlotte.

Mr. Abbott has a charming home in Charlotte. Mrs. Abbott was Miss Bushnell, of Cleveland, Ohio, a daugh-

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ter of the late Rev. E. Bushnell D. D., treasurer of the Western Reserve University, and has four interesting children, a boy and three girls.

He is a member of the North Carolina Bankers' Association, the American Cotton Spinners' Association, and of the Southern Manufacturers' Club.

He is a director and member of the State Committee of the Y. M. C. A., and an active member of the First Presbyterian church.

EDWARD CHAMBERS SMITH

Was born in Murfreesboro, North Carolina, August 21, 1857. His father was Chief Justice William N. H. Smith, who died in 1889. His paternal grandfather came from Connecticut. His parents moved to Raleigh in 1872 and his academic education was obtained at Lovejoy's Academy and the "Old Bingham School." He graduated from Davidson College in 1881, taking the debater's medal. At the Kappa Alpha general convention held at Atlanta, Ga., in 1881, he won the medal for the best essay over contestants from twenty-five Southern colleges. In 1901 he was elected Knight Commander of the Kappa Alpha fraternity and was re-elected in 1903 and again in 1905.

He began the study of law in 1882 under Dr. Manning, of the University of North Carolina, and later under Prof. Minor, of the University of Virginia. He was admitted to the North Carolina bar in 1883, and up to 1890 practiced with Fuller and Snow, attending to their Supreme Court practice. He has since then been practicing alone, giving particular attention to insurance law. He is general attorney for several large insurance companies and other corporations.

In 1886 he was appointed by Gov. Scales a member of the Board of Internal Improvements and held the position continuously until 1896. While absent from home he was appointed by Gov. Carr State's proxy for and later a director of North Carolina railway, and is now a member of the finance committee of that road.

In 1888, as a member of the Board of Aldermen, he caused to be constructed Raleigh's present fire alarm system. He was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention in St. Louis in 1898 and chairman of the committee on rules. In 1892 he was delegate-at-large to the National Convention at Chicago, and was a delegate to the National Democratic convention in 1904 and North Carolina member of the committee on resolutions. In 1890 he was unanimously elected chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee and though less than 33 years of age was in charge of Gov. Vance's campaign for re-election to the United States Senate and the Democrats carried the State by 42,000, up to that time the largest majority ever given any political party. He was re-elected in 1892, but declined.

He was nominated for State Senate in 1894 for Wake county, and has been several times mentioned for Congress and was leading candidate for Attorney General in 1892.

He married Miss Annie Badger Faison, daughter of Col. Paul F. Faison, and granddaughter of Hon. Geo. E. Badger, in January, 1892. They have five children.

He is a large stockholder and director in the Caraleigh Mills Co., and the Caraleigh Phosphate and Fertilizer Works and a member of the executive committee of both companies, and also interested in many other industrial enterprises.

HENRY OTIS HYATT

Was born in Tarboro, N. C., Edgecombe county, May 5, 1848. His father was J. B. Hyatt, a merchant, deputy sheriff and at one time tax collector for Edgecombe county. His mother before her marriage was Miss Margaret A. Shirley, a daughter of Geraldus Shirley, a farmer of Edgecombe county. He received his academic training in Tarboro Academy and studied medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. He began the practice of medicine as acting assistant surgeon of United States Army as the quarantine surgeon at Fort Hatteras in 1868 and served several months when North Carolina went back into the Union. He first practiced at Falkland two years and then two years at Greenville, N. C. He next moved to Kinston, N. C., where he practiced thirty-three years and six months, moving to Goldsboro July 1, 1895. He owned the Hyatt's Sanatorium at Kinston while practicing in

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that place and was at one time president of the Lenoir County Medical Society and of the Eastern Medical Association and was formerly a member of the North Carolina Medical Society.

He married Miss Sybil Miller, of Kinston, and has two daughters and one son.

He is now engaged in the organization of the North Carolina Co-operative Hospital Association for the purpose of establishing a hospital in Gildsboro, equipped to meet the needs of that community.

He has a modernly equipped office for advanced therapeutics.

JAMES F. HURLEY

Born in Concord, Sept. 20, 1870. Father, Alexander F., sheriff of Cabarrus at death; mother, Jane A. King. Educated Davis School and Davidson College. Drug clerk three years; insurance several years. In 1900 established the Tribune; editor and proprietor of Daily and Semi-Weekly Tribune. Mason, Knight Pythias, Jr. O. U. A. M. Presbyterian church. Married in 1895 to Miss Jeannette Erwin, daughter of C. H. Erwin, Cabarrus. One child, a son.

JAMES BRUCE MASON

Was born in Chapel Hill, N. C., September 6, 1870. He is a son of Jas. B. Mason, an attorney and at one time a State Senator. His mother before her marriage was Miss Letitia Kirkland, a daughter of Thomas J. Kirkland, a merchant of Chapel Hill. He was educated at the University of North Carolina. After leaving college his first employment was as deputy clerk of the Superior court of Durham county in 1888. In 1889 he went to work as runner for the Fidelity bank and from that to assistant cashier and cashier. When he left the institution on May 1st, 1905, to become cashier of the Citizens National Bank of Durham, he had held every position in a bank. The new bank he is now conducting is capitalized at $100,000.00, with a surplus of $50,000.00. Besides this institution, he is the organizer of the Bank of Creedmoor, the Bank of Cooleewee, the Commercial and Farmers Bank of Mebane, N. C., and of the Merchants and Farmers Bank of Apex, Wake county.

He is president of the Commercial and Farmers Bank of Mebane and also of the Bank of Cooleewee and a director in all of the four institutions mentioned. He is also a director in the Commonwealth Cotton Manufacturing Co. of Durham.

He married Miss Augusta Seeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Seeman, of Durham, and is the father of two sons and a daughter.

He is a Mason, an Elk and a K. of P.

He was an alderman of the city of Durham during 1899 and 1900. His business success has been largely due to his many strong personal qualities which have won the regard of all who have been brought into relations with him either of a business or social nature.

LUCIUS LAMAR HARRIS

Was born in Meriwether county, Georgia, January 14, 1877. His father was Henry R. Harris, Jr., an able attorney and his mother before her marriage was Miss Lula Harper, of Caldwell county, North Carolina. He was educated in the University of Georgia, from which he graduated in 1889. The first position he held after leaving college was that of associate city editor of the Atlanta Constitution, a position he filled creditably for one year.

At the breaking out of the Spanish-American war, he went to New York city, and became a general correspondent for several Southern newspapers and did some notable work. He next went into the service of the New York Life Insurance Company and was employed in New York city on this company's work for several years. Later he went to St. Louis, as cashier of the Missouri Clearing House of the New York Life, and was afterward cashier of the Buffalo office of the same company.

Since 1903 Mr. Harris has occupied the responsible and difficult position of Agency Director, or Manager, for North Carolina for the New York Life with headquarters at Charlotte, a position he has filled with conspicuous ability having increastd the business of his company in North Carolina 30 per cent. in two years.

When appointed he was barely 25

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years of age, and was the youngest manager the company had in the United States. He is a member of the Manufacturers' Club, the Charlotte Country Club, Charlotte German Club, and Associate N. Y. Alumni Chapter Kappa Alpha fraternity.

His straightforward character, and unfailing courtesy have made him popular throughout the state with all classes with whom he has been associated, either in business or social matters.

PAUL CHATHAM

Paul Chatham was born in Elkin, N. C., September 2, 1869. He is a son of Alexander Chatham, a prominent woolen and cotton manufacturer and banker of Elkin. His mother before her marriage was Miss Elizabeth Gwyn, daughter of Mr. R. R. Gwyn, one of the first cotton manufacturers in North Carolina, having established the Elkin Manufacturing Co., in 1840, which is still in operation, owned by Chatham Mfg. Co. Mr. Chatham received his education at Trinity College, N. C., and at the University of North Carolina.

After leaving college, Mr. Chatham engaged in the woolen manufacturing business with his father and brothers, who own the Elkin Woolen Mills, of which the Chatham Manufacturing Co. is the proprietor.

Mr. Chatham established the Piedmont Clothing Co. at Charlotte in 1897, which now has a capacity of 1,500 garments per day. He also owns a beautiful 500 acre truck, dairy and cotton farm just east of Charlotte.

In 1897 he was married to Miss De Witt Thurmond, of Ripley, Miss., daughter of Col. R. J. Thurmond.

Besides being well thought of as one of the leading business men of Charlotte, Mr. Chatham is personally popular.

JAMES YADKIN JOYNER

Was born August 7, 1862, in Davidson county, at what was then called Yadkin Institute, now Yadkin College. He was reared in Lenoir county, near La Grange, where his father, John Joyner. was a well-known farmer. His mother was Miss Sarah Wooten before her marriage, a daughter of Council Wooten, a large planter of Lenoir county, who represented that county in the State Legislature for several years, was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1835, and a member of the councils of State of Governors Ellis and Bragg.

Jas. Y. Joyner was educated at the University of North Carolina, class of 1881. After graduation he first taught in La Grange Academy, a private school of La Grange, N. C., for two years, and was for part of this period County Superintendent of Education for Lenoir county. He next assisted in the organization of the graded schools of Winston, N. C., where he taught for one year. He next read law in Dick & Dillard's Law School at Greensboro and was admitted to practict in 1886, and practiced in Goldsboro for nearly three years, being associated with Chief Justice W. T. Faircloth (an uncle by marriage), and Judge W. R. Allen, the firm name being Faircloth, Allen & Joyner. During this period he was chairman of the County Board of Education of Wayne county. He next became superintendent of the city graded schools of Goldsboro and served in this position four years, when he was made a member of the faculty of the State Normal and Industrial College, occupying the chair of English, until February, 1902, a period of service covering about nine years and six months, when he was made Superintendent of Public Instruction by Governor Aycock to fill the vacancy caused by the death of General Toon, since which time he has heen twice elected to this position, which he still holds. He was chairman of the Text-Book Sub-Commission of North Carolina in 1901, and was President of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly.

He married Miss Effie Rouse, a daughter of Noah Rouse, a well known farmer of Lenoir county, and has two sons.

He is a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M. and of the Missionary Baptist church, in which he has served as deacon for several years.

OSCAR BENJAMIN EATON

Was born in Davie county, N. C., Oct. 10, 1862. His father was Jacon Eaton, a farmer and school teacher, who for years conducted a large school near Mocksville. His mother

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was Miss Mary Clement, daughter of Capt. Jesse Clement. He was educated at the University of North Carolina, to enter which he prepared himself by home study on the farm. After leaving college on account of impaired health, he worked for two years on his father's farm, and then taught school at Farmington for a period of four years. After this he moved to Winston and kept books for B. F. Hanes in his tobacco factory, until that business was bought up in 1900 by R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. While occupying this position, without any action on his part, he was nominated for the Legislature. He also served as chairman of the Democratic executive committee for Forsyth county. In 1898 he was elected mayor of Winston, and is now serving his third term, having been re-elected without opposition. He is president of the Board of Directors of the Slater Hospital, and a director in the Vaugh-Crutchfield Wholesale Grocery Co. He gives almost his entire time to the affairs of the city, holds court every day, and attends to every detail pertaining to the streets and other work of the corporation.

He is an able writer and a fluent speaker, and while at college won distinction in these lines, winning the essayists' medal and was one of the editors of the University Monthly. He was chosen to represent the Dialectic Society as one of the speakers at the commencement exercises, a distinction highly prized by college students.

He married Miss Mary Hough, of Lancaster, S. C., and is the father of three children, two boys and a girl.

He is a Mason, K. of P. and Odd Fellow and an Elk. He is a member of the board of stewards of the Centenary Methodist church.

THOMAS JAMES MURPHY

Was born September 29, 1870. His father was Dr. W. B. Murphy, of Sampson county, a dentist by profession, who also had large mercantile and farming interests. His mother before her marriage was Miss Marianna Alderman, of Wilmington, N. C.

He was educated at Davidson College. After leaving college his first employment was as a civil engineer on railway construction. His next engagement was in the mercantile and turpentine business from 1890 to 1893. During 1893 he entered the United States railway mail service, with headquarters at Washington city. He read law in Columbian University, graduating in the class of 1899, and was admitted to the North Carolina bar in 1900. After resigning from the mail service he began practising his profession in 1901 at Greensboro, where he organized the Gate City Building & Loan Association, of which he was made secretary and treasurer and attorney. He was also one of the organizers of the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce, and is a member of the executive committee of that body. He was reading clerk of the North Carolina Senate in 1903, and was elected mayor of Greensboro in the May election, 1905, for a term of two years.

In June, 1902, he married Miss Annie Shorter Leftwich, of Baltimore, in that city. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias and of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Murphy is one of Greensboro's most valuable and progressive citizens.

THOMAS LE ROY KIRKPATRICK

Was born May 3, 1877, in Sharon township, Mecklenburg county, within six miles of where his ancestors settled in 1772, they being of Scotch extraction, and lineal descendants of Sir Rogers Kirkpatrick, of Scotland, founder of the line and originator of the family motto, "I'll make sicca." The coat of arms of the Kirkpatricks is a dagger. The story back of this motto and coat of arms is noted in Scotch history and is as follows:

The Jno. Cummins, Earl of Buchanan and Sir Robert Bruce were co-equal heirs-apparent to the throne of Scotland, and had entered into a compact with each other to wrest the kingdom of Scotland from the hands of the English, and their king, Edward; one agreeing to take the crown of Scotland and the other the annuities and personalty attached to same. Afterward the Cummins attempted, or at least Bruce thought so, to betray the Scottish people into the hands of the English. One evening Bruce, with several of his clansmen, among whom was Sir Rogers Kirkpatrick, return-

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ing from an expedition against the English, stopped at the castle of the Red Cummins. Bruce went in to hold a conference with Cummins and to demand an explanation of his conduct. During the conversation they came to blows and Bruce stabbed the Cummins, and on coming out of the castle remarked to his followers: "I fear I have killed the Red Cummins." Whereupon Kirkpatrick replied, "I'll make sicca." And went in and stabbed him to death with his dagger.

Mr. Kirkpatrick's father was J. Watt Kirkpatrick, a well known farmer of Sharon township, who took an active interest in public affairs and was chairman of his township for 16 years. Mr. Kirkpatrick was educated at Sharon academy and at Erskine College, South Carolina, which he entered in 1894 and from which he graduated June, 1898. He studied law with Clarkson and Dick for 18 months and finished his legal preparation at Chapel Hill, where he went in 1899. He obtained his license to practice in 1900, and has practiced in Charlotte ever since. He was associate counsel for the Southern Railway at Charlotte during 1903. He was appointed by Gov. Glenn January 12, 1905, assistant Judge Advocate General of North Carolina with rank of Lieut. Colonel on the governor's staff.

He is a member of the Elks and the Woodmen of the World. He is a member of the Social Reformed Presbyterian church, East Ave. Tabernacle.

He is an attorney of thorough preparation, natural ability and integrity of character.

PLATT D. WALKER

Was born October 25, 1849. Educated at Horner's School, Oxford, N. C., and at the University of this state. Studied law and was licensed at the June term, 1870, of the Supreme court. Settled first in Rockingham and in 1876 in Charlotte and continued in the practice of his profession until 1902, when he was elected by the people a justice of the Supreme court, which office he now holds. Elected president of the North Carolina State Bar Association in 1899, upon the organization of that body. Member of the Legislature 1874-5. Trustee of the University, which position he resigned when elected to the bench.

RT. REV. EDWARD ROND-THALER, D. D.

Was born in Northampton county, Pa., in the rich and picturesque Leheigh Valley, and in sight of the Blue Ridge mountains, July 24, 1842. He is a son of Edward Rondthaler, a minister of the Moravian church. He is descended from an exiled race of Protestants from Saltzburg, the inhabitants of which were given the choice between abandoning their faith for the Roman Catholic or leaving that country.

His forefathers, on his paternal side, have been ministers for over 100 years, of the Church of the United Brethren, usually known as the Moravian church. His grandfather was a preacher and missionary in South Russia, and his great grandfather was a Lutheran preacher in Prussia. The original Rondthalers were of Alpine origin. His mother was Miss Louise Rice, a member of the noted Rice-Heckwelder family, descendants of the famous John Heckwelder, missionary to the Indians and Indian agent for General George Washington, whose Indian memoirs have been largely used by Longfellow and others in obtaining their knowledge of Indian usages, ideals and customs. This family was also of the Moravians or United Brethren band, but came from Bohemia.

Bishop Rondthaler was educated in the Moravian school at Bethlehem, Pa., and at the University of Erlangen, Germany, as a theologian. He returned to America in 1863, and first lived at Brooklyn, N. Y., where he built the Jay street Moravian church, of which he was pastor. After a sojourn of eight years in Brooklyn, he moved to Philadelphia, Pa., where he was pastor of the first church for four years. He came to North Carolina in 1877, as pastor of the Mother church of the Moravians in the South at Salem. From 1884 to 1887 he was president of the Salem Female Academy and has since been regularly connected with the faculty. He is now president of the church board of the Southern Moravian church, and bishop of the province, comprised in the circle of churches in North Carolina and the South known in the section called Wachovia, a name derived from one of the estates of Count Zinzendorf, who renewed the church in Europe in 1727.

A large number of his sermons have

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been published from time to time, and he has also done considerable literary work, suggested by his travels in Egypt, Palestine and European countries.

He had the degree of D. D. conferred upon him about 25 years ago by the University of North Carolina.

He has been Bishop of the Southern Province of the church of the United Brethren for about 15 years. This denomination is non-sectarian in all its tendencies, being a freely gathered society with members in all parts of the world, the term Moravian having been applied to them because of the number exiled from Moravia by the Austrian government, and Bishop Rondthaler's quiet, useful life is an eloquent exposition of their faith.

HERIOT CLARKSON

Was born at Kingsville, Richland county, South Carolina, August 21, 1863. He is a son of William Clarkson, a captain in the Confederate army, and a lineal descendant of Thomas Boston, the Scotch divine, and of the only sister of Gen. Francis Marion, of Revolutionary fame. He moved to Charlotte in 1873 and was a student at the Carolina Military Institute under Col. John P. Thomas from October, 1873, to June, 1880. On the 16th of June, 1880, he entered when 16 years old the law office of Gen. R. D. Johnston and Col. H. C. Jones, and was with them until January, 1884, when he took a course of law at the University under Hon. John Manning. He studied under him until the fall of 1884, when he was licensed to practice law by the Supreme court of North Carolina. While at the University he led his class in law. As soon as he received his license he commenced the practice of law in the city of Charlotte, and in 1888 formed a partnership with C. H. Duls, Esq., and they have one of the largest law practices in Charlotte. In May, 1887, he was elected alderman and vice-mayor of the city of Charlotte, and served in that capacity two years and was again elected to the same office in May, 1891, and served two years.

On December 10, 1889, he married Miss Mary Loyd Osborne, daughter of Rev. E. A. Osborne. He has four children, four boys. He is a member of the Episcopal church and has been a vestryman for years.

He has always been a strong party Democrat and has never voted any other ticket, often disagreeing with the party, but believing that unwavering allegiance to the Democratic party was the only course to obtain good government in the South. He has been a member for many years, and is now, of the State Democratic Executive Committee. He was opposed to fusion on the electoral ticket in 1896, but followed the standard-bearer of his party loyally.

The first "White Supremacy" club in recent years formed in North Carolina, with "White Supremacy" and "White Labor" as its only platform, was formed by him and a few others in Charlotte before the election of 1896, and numbered about six hundred members. Then Asheville, Winston and Wilmington formed similar clubs. He was a strong advocate of the white man's resolution passed by only two votes by the Democratic Executive Committee of the state, which did so much to help redeem North Carolina. He is an advocate of registered primary for white men to nominate all state and county officers under the auspices of the Democratic party. He drew the platform on which Hon. John D. Bellamy was nominated and which was unanimously adopted without change by the committee and convention.

The platform was received with enthusiasm by the convention which was held in Wilmington. Subsequent events show how nobly the people carried out the declaration, "We do hereby declare our determination that white supremacy through white men shall rule and control North Carolina."

The platform reads as follows:

"We do most heartily reiterate the resolution of the State Executive committee in which all white electors are cordially invited to participate in our primaries and conventions, and do call upon all white men who love their home and native land to join with us in the great battle in North Carolina now waged for the supremacy of the white man and against the corrupt and intolerable government now given us by designing white men joining with the negro, and we do hereby declare our determination that white supremacy through white men shall control and rule North Carolina."

Mr. Clarkson has always been in favor of restraining the liquor traf-

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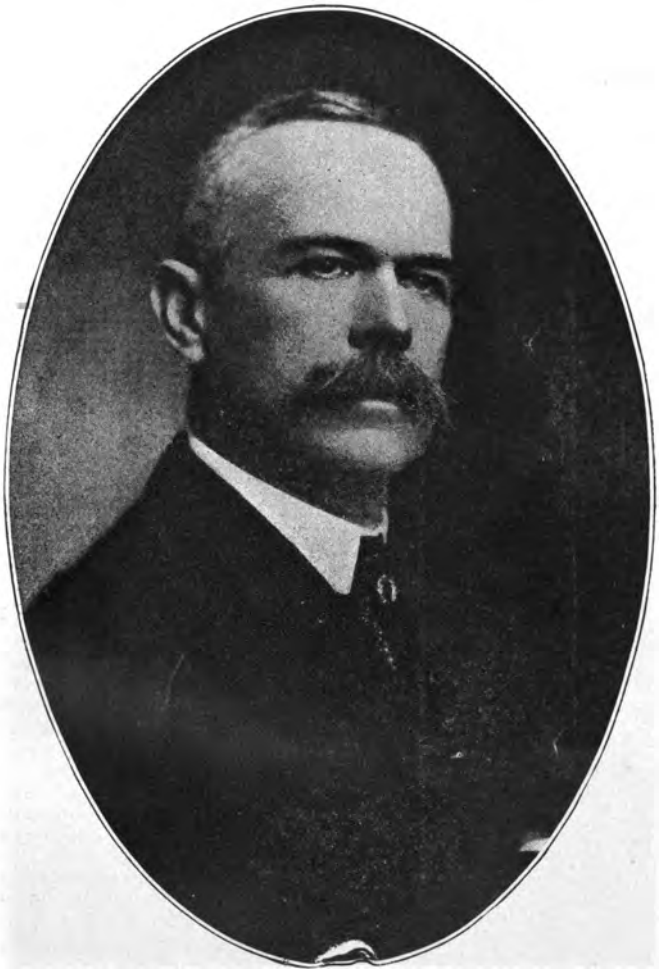

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fic, and has taken an active interest in all legislation looking to that end. When on the Board of Aldermen of the city of Charlotte in 1887 he agitated and had passed (with the progressive mayor of the city at that time, Hon. F. B. McDowell), a law requiring $1,000 license, which has continued ever since, until prohibition went into effect, and had the effect of reducing the bars to about one-fourth. He has been in full sympathy with the industrial upbuilding of the state, and was one of the charter members of the Piedmont Fire Insurance Co., established a few years ago in North Carolina. He was in the Legislature of 1899, a strong advocate of a textile school for North Carolina, and is a strong believer in "trade education.' He passed the House in 1899 by 22 votes a bill establishing a textile school in connection with the A. & M. College at Raleigh. This was the beginning of the agitation which ended in the building and equipping of the present textile building at the A. & M. College. He with his partner, did much to have Elizabeth College located at Charlotte and is on the advisory board. He is a strong believer in building and loan associations and started the Charlotte B. & L. In the Legislature of 1899 he passed a bill through the house establishing a dispensary in Charlotte; it was defeated in the Senate. He thought the system preferable to the saloon although a prohibitionist. He twice codified the laws of Charlotte and the one now in use, 1905, which unofficial appendix was written by him. He drew the present primary law for Charlotte and Australian ballot election law. He with his partner were city attorneys for Charlotte for four years ending in May, 1905. He was chairman of the Anti-Saloon forces that carried Charlotte 485 votes majority for prohibition. He is now solicitor of the Twelfth Judicial district, having been appointed by Gov. C. B. Aycock to that position.

ROBERT MORRISON MILLER, JR

Was born in Lancaster County, S. C., April 20th, 1856, son of R. M. Miller, Sr., a merchant and farmer who has for several years retired from business, and lives at Charlotte. His mother was Miss Elizabeth Cureton, a native of Lancaster County, S. C. The family moved to Charlotte from South Carolina in 1866.

Mr. Miller graduated from Davidson College in 1876. His first commercial experience was with the wholesale grocery and cotton firm of R. M. Miller & Sons, with which he was connected 6 years. He then became vice-president and treasurer of the D. A. Tompkins Company, machinery, until 1900 and actively engaged in the operation of cotton mills. Since that date he has built and owns the Elizabeth Mill at Charlotte, N. C., and is now operating this as president and treasurer. He is one of the pioneers of fine spinning in the South. The Elizabeth Mill now makes as fine a yarn as is spun in the South, using long staple American and Egyptian cotton in carded and combed stock.

He is president of the American Cotton Manufacturing Association, treasurer and half owner in the Buford Hotel of Charlotte, vice-president of the American Cotton Manufacturer Publishing Co., and a director in several other cotton mills beside his own.

He is a member of Manufacturers' Club of Charlotte, the Southern Club of Philadelphia, the Charlotte Cotton Exchange and Board of Trade, and the New England Cotton Manufacturing Association.

He was married in 1889 to Miss Estelle Ross, of Charlotte, and has one daughter, Miss Sara Elizabeth Miller.

WILLIAM THOMAS CRAWFORD

Among the men of Western North Carolina who have exerted a strong influence in public life is Hon. William T. Crawford, of Haywood county. Born about fifteen miles from Waynesville, his present home, June 1, 1856, Mr. Crawford is truly a "native here and to the manner born" He has grown up among the people whom he serves and who trust him.

Mr. Crawford had many difficulties to overcome in getting an education. Being a poor boy on a farm, during and soon after the Civil War, he had scant opportunity for study until he was twenty-one years of age. A few years at the Waynesville Academy and two at a school in Buncombe county constituted about all of his academic training. Leaving school he engaged in teaching in the public

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schools of his county, which occupation was useful to him in furnishing an opportunity for the study of human nature and in giving him a chance to read extensively along the lines in which he was interested.

Going West in 1882 he "roughed it" among the Rockies for a while, but, concluding that North Carolina is the best place, he returned and entered for a few years mercantile life in Waynesville. While in that position he found time to do a great deal of reading. In 1884 he was nominated by the Democrats of Haywood county for the Legislature and triumphantly elected, as he was again in 1886. In 1888 he was a Presidential elector and assisted in casting the vote of North Carolina for Grover Cleveland that year. In the session of the State Legislature in 1889 he was elected engrossing clerk of the House of Representatives. In 1889-90 he studied law at the State University, and obtained license in 1891.

Mr. Crawford's reputation among his home people was by that time firmly established. He was the most popular man in Haywood county, and when the Democratic Congressional convention met in Asheville in 1890 he was nominated for Congress over many able opponents. He was victorious in that campaign and also again in 1892. Again in 1898 he was elected to Congress, but was unseated by a strict party vote in favor of his opponent, Richmond Pearson. In 1900, he was again a candidate but owing to peculiar conditions in the district was defeated by J. M. Moody, his Republican opponent. In 1904 he was Democratic elector for this, the Tench district.

Mr. Crawford is a lawyer of ability, and is a member of the Baptist church. In 1892 he married Miss Inez Edna Coman, and has now an interesting family of four children, Hilary, Harry, Mildred and Walter. He is a tower of strength among the Democrats of the Tenth Congressional district, and his friends think that his political career is just beginning.

CHARLES HENRY DULS

Was born in Charlotte, January 7, 1861. His father was a merchant and mill owner of that city. His mother before her marriage was Miss Wilhelmine Eits.

Mr. Duls was educated in the high school of Charlotte and at the University of North Carolina. He was admitted to the bar in the fall of 1887 and formed a partnership with Mr. Heriot Clarkson with whom he had studied law under Colonel Hamilton C. Jones and Gen. Robert D. Johnston, the latter now of Birmingham, Ala. The firm of Clarkson & Duls has continued until this date.

Mr. Duls was city attorney for Charlotte during Mayor Brown's administration from 1901 to 1905. He was a member of the House of Representatives in the State Legislature for 1901 and was elected to the State Senate in November, 1904, and was an active member of several important committees. He is a member of the Lutheran church and treasurer of the United Synod of the Southern Evangelical Lutheran church, and a member of the board of directors of Elizabeth College. In 1899 he was married to Miss Louise DeSaussure Davis, of Camden, S. C., and is the father of three children, two boys and a girl.

WILLIAM HECK PACE

Was born December 7, 1883. He is the son of the late W. H. Pace, a leading attorney of Raleigh. His mother was Miss Mary Louise Heck, daughter of Col. J. M. Heck, a well known Raleigh attorney and owner of Royal Coal & Coke Company of East Tennessee. His early education was at Morson & Denson's school at Raleigh, after which he entered Wake Forest College in 1899 and graduated with honor in the class of 1903, obtaining the degree of B. A. He then studied law for one year at the University of North Carolina, and secured a law certificate from this institution. Returning to Wake Forest, he read law in that institution and obtained his license in February, 1905.

He is a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, and was president of the General Athletic Association, also chairman of the Students' Honor Committee, both of which are considered quite an honor among the students of Wake Forest. Before graduation he was voted the most prominent student in the entire institution. Since admission to the bar he has practiced his profession in Raleigh, and is now the junior member of the firm of Womack, Hayes &

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Pace. He is a member of the Capitol Club, of the Chamber of Commerce, of the executive committee of the Industrial Club, secretary and treasurer of the Cel-i-Ko Bottling Company, vice-president of the Southern Securities and Trust Company, and director in the Pine Belt Construction Company. He has built up a good practice by giving his closest attention to the details of his profession.

MURRAY ALLEN

Was born in Raleigh, July 1, 1880. He is a son of C. S. Allen, agent of the Seaboard Air Line railroad at Raleigh. His mother was Miss Annie E. Murray, a daughter of D. C. Murray, formerly of Hyde county.

Mr. Allen graduated from Trinity College in the class of 1900; studied law at the University of North Carolina and was admitted to the bar in 1903. He was stenographer of the Supreme court in 1902, and journal clerk in the Senate during the sessions of the Legislature of 1903 and 1905. He has been practicing law in Raleigh since his admission to the bar and has shown ability as a general practitioner.

He is a member of the board of directors of the Industrial Club of Raleigh, and the Sigma Nu fraternity.

JOHN HENRY CLEWELL

Was born in Winston-Salem, September 19, 1855. His father was John Divad Clewell, who conducted a book bindery and store in Winston-Salem. His mother was Miss Dorothy Matilda Shultz.

He was educated in the Salem Boys' School and in the Moravian College at Bethlehem, Pa., and in the Moravian Theological Seminary at Bethlehem, Pa., and Union Theological Seminary, New York city. He completed his education in 1879. His first work was in charge of two congregations, one at Urichsville and the other at Port Washington, Ohio, for five years. In 1884 he was called to Salem as assistant principal of the Salem Academy and College and seventeen years ago was made principal of that historic institution. His administration has been exceptionally successful and notable for the attention to every detail looking to the bodily, spiritual, intellectual health and growth of the students. He is an elder of the Salem congregation of Moravians. For a number of years a director of the Salem Water Supply Co., and a trustee of the Moravian College and Theological Seminary at Bethelehem, Pa.

From the Moravian College he has received the degrees of A. B., B. D., and Master of Arts and studied for Ph.D. degree in 1900.

Married Miss Alice Cornelia Wolle, of Bethlehem, Pa., and has been the father of six children, two of whom are dead. He is a K. of P. and a Mason. He has done considerable literary work and correspondence, and wrote the History of Wachovia in North Carolina.

JOHN F. WILY

Was born in Powhatan county, Virginia, in 1867, April 17th. His father was Dr. John B. Wily, a physician of Powhatan county, and later of West Virginia. His mother was Miss Nannie G. Murry, of Powhatan county, a daughter of Capt. Wm. Murry, a planter. He was educated in private schools and by tutors. His first business experience was as an individual bookkeeper for the First National Bank of Lynchburg, Va., in 1884, which position he held for three years. He moved in 1887 to Durham, N. C., and became connected with Fidelity Bank, of which he later became teller. In 1891 he was made cashier of the Merchants' and Farmers' Bank of Martinsburg, W. Va., a new institution. After 12 months he returned to Durham as cashier of the Fidelity Bank of that place. The capital of this institution is $100,000 and its surplus $200,000.

In May, 1905, he was elected alderman, and is chairman of the finance committee of the city of Durham.

He is a director of the Golden Belt Manufacturing Co., the Commonwealth Manufacturing Co.; a director of The Fidelity Bank and member of its executive committee and trustee of the Watts hospital and of the Durham Public Library and first vice-president North Carolina Bankers' Association and a member of the executive committee.

He married Miss Lizzie Morehead, a daughter of the late Colonel Eu-

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gene Morehead, the pioneer banker of Durham, who organized the first bank ever operated in Durham under the firm name of Eugene Morehead & Co.

Mr. Wily is a deacon in the First Presbyterian church of Durham.

ROBERT WATSON WINSTON

Was born in Windsor, North Carolina, September 12, 1860. His father was Patrick H. Winston, an attorney who was several times a member of the State Legislature and a delegate to the convention of 1865, having been a Confederate judge and president of the council of state of Governor Worth. His mother was Miss Martha Elizabeth Byrd, daughter of Francis Wilder Byrd, a farmer. Judge Winston was educated in the Horner school and at the University of North Carolina, from which he graduated with the class of 1879, taking the Willie P. Mangum medal for oratory. He was admitted to the bar in 1881 and began practice in 1881 at Oxford, North Carolina. After five years' practice, he formed a partnership with Judge A. W. Graham, the style being Graham & Winston, and this association continued until Judge Winston went on the Circuit Court bench in 1891, where he remained four and a half years and resigned. He then in 1895 moved to Durham, N. C., and formed a partnership with W. W. Fuller to practice law under firm name of Winston & Fuller. This firm was dissolved in 1903 and Judge Winston associated with him Victor V. Bryant, the new firm being called Winston & Bryant, and still continues. In 1885 Judge Winston was a member of the State Senate from the 19th senatorial district and judge of the Circuit court from 1890 to 1895 and said to be the youngest judge ever elected, his age then being twenty-nine years. He was married in 1882 to Miss Sophronia Horner, a daughter of J. H. Horner, LL. D., and founder of the Horner school of Oxford, N. C., and a sister of Bishop J. M. Horner, of the Asheville Diocese of the Episcopal church, and is the father of four children. His eldest, James Horner Winston, was the first Cecil Rhodes student to go from the United States to the University of Oxford, England, and has become the champion tennis player of that ancient seat of learning. Judge Winston was for many years president of the Durham Chamber of Commerce, and was one of the first trustees of the Durham Public Library. He is a trustee of the State Fair Association, attorney and director of the First National Bank of Durham and Chapel Hill. He was one of the leading attorneys who defended Josephus Daniels on the charge of being guilty of contempt and defended Kilgo. He recovered the largest amount of money ever given by a jury in North Carolina for personal daamge for C. H. Norton, from the North Carolina Railroad, the sum of principal and interest being $22,000.

J. A. TAYLOR

Born in Marion, S. C., 1862, at which place his mother was refugee from vellow fever then epidemic in Wilmington; son of Col. John D. Taylor, rice planter on the Cape Fear river, the subject of this sketch resided in Brunswick county with his parents until he was 15 years of age, when his family moved to Wilmington, where he has since resided.

He was educated in the public schools and entered commercial life at 18 as a bookkeeper. At the age of 22 he was admitted as partner in the wholesale grocery house of J. C. Stevenson, the firm conducting business under the name of J. C. Stevenson & Taylor, which business relation existed until 1899, when the firm dissolved, and Mr. Taylor began business on his own account in the same line.

He was president of the Wilmington Tariff Association, an organization formed to relieve the traffic situation at Wilmington, and which accomplished substantial results for that city. Was for a number of years president of the Wilmington Wholesale Grocers' Association, and is now president of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, which institution was reorganized under his direction several years ago with the object of broadening its field of endeavor and taking up questions of larger public moment, the repeal of compulsory pilotage laws on Cape Fear river and Bar being an illustration of the work undertaken. Is a director in the Southern National

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Bank of Wilmington, and identified with other enterprises.

He was one of the original ten men who organized the Wilmington Revolution in 1898, and was author of the resolutions adopted by the Chamber of Commerce proclaiming to the world the intolerable conditions under fusion control, and pledging the manhood of the community to break the yoke. The county Democratic executive committee caused these resolutions to be published in the local papers for the period of thirty days. It is said that these resolutions did more to crystalize public sentiment than any document of that famous campaign.

DANIEL LENOX GORE

Was born in Columbus County, N.C. January 7th, 1847. His father was John H. Gore a farmer and his mother Anna L. Thomas, a daughter of Daniel Thomas of Horry County, South Carolina. He was educated at a private school in Horry County, S. C., and private schools in Columbus and Brunswick county, N. C. He then clerked for six and one-half months at Conway, S. C. Later he taught school for three months. He began to merchandise in a small way in 1865 at Brunswick County, N. C., and staid there until 1877 when he removed to Wilmington where he entered the wholesale grocery business under the style of Gore & Gore, W. I. Gore, his cousin being his partner for one year, after that he continued as D. L. Gore until 1900 when the firm name was changed to D. L. Gore Co. He has been a member of the Board of Aldermen and was commissioned a Captain of Militia by Governor Worth.

He married Miss Elizabeth Rosalie Lennon, a daughter of Francis Lennon a farmer of Columbus County, N. C. He is a trustee of the Brooklyn Baptist Church of Wilmington, and chairman of the Executive Committee of the Wilmington Baptist Association. He is president of the D. L. Gore Co., of Wilmington, and of the Marlborough Cotton Mills at McCalls and Bennettsville, South Carolina, vice-president of the Southern Bank of Wilmington, and president of the Great Falls Manufacturing Co., of Rockingham, N. C.

JUNIUS DAVIS

Was born in Wilmington on the 17th day of June, 1845 in the old Davis mansion on Second street. His father was George Davis who was in the peace conference in 1861 and afterwards a Confederate senator and Attorney General in President Davis' Cabinet.

His mother was Miss Mary Adelaide Polk, a daughter of Thomas G. Polk, of Mecklenburg county, and grand-daughter of Colonel Wm. Polk of Raleigh.

He was educated at Bingham's School at the Oaks, near Mebanesville in Orange County. At seventeen he enlisted in the Confederate Army as a private in Moore's battery with General Hoke and in 1864 was ordered to Virginia and attached to Moseleys' battalion of artillery and Mr. Davis was promoted to Corporal. He was in the movements that bottled up Butler at Bermuda Hundred, in the battle around Richmond, battle of the Crater July 30th, 1864, and in the assult on Fort Harrison. His battery as part of the rear guard in the retreat to Appomatox did considerable service around that place, and several of its guns were later captured in a night charge of Sheridan's cavalry, and Corporal Davis with several men was driven to the adjoining woods. The next day after this the surrender of General Lee took place and he attempted to reach Johnson's army but learned at Greensboro that Johnson had also surrendered and he surrendered to the nearest provost marshal.

He went to Charlotte and engaged in railroad work, hauling car loads of cotton from that place to New Berne. He returned to Wilmington in 1865 and took a clerkship with the dry goods firm of Weill & Rosenthal. His father had been captured, while attempting to escape to British territory at Key West, and imprisoned at Fort LaFayette, but upon being paroled returned to Wilmington and resumed the practice of law and his son resigned his position to study that profession.

Mr. Davis was admitted to the bar in 1868 and became associated with his father. He is division counsel of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Co., Attorney for the Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co., and other corporations. He is president of the Wilmington Railroad Bridge Company. He has always been an active democrat and a member of the committee

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that directed events in the revolution at Wilmington in 1898.

He presented to the Supreme court of the State, as the representative of the North Carolina Society of the Sons of the Revolution, the portraits of James Iredell and Alfred Moore, Justices of the Supreme Court of the U. S. He is an honorary member of the North Carolina Society of the Cincinnati, a member of the North Carolina Sons of the Revolution.

He married Miss Mary Orme Walker, a daughter of Thomas D. and Mary Vance Walker, January 19th, 1874. Several years after the death of his first wife, on November 6th, 1893, he married Miss Mary Walker Cowan, a daughter of Colonel Robert H. Cowan, of Wilmington.

ABLE ALEXANDER SHUFORD

Was born in Catawba county, November 13, 1841. Son of Jacob H. Shuford, a farmer and his mother was Miss Katherine Baker, a daughter of John Baker, a farmer of Catawba county. He was educated in the county schools of Catawba county and his first occupation was that of farming. When 19 years of age he joined the Confederate forces, and became sergeant of Co. F, 23d regiment North Carolina Volunteers, serving in General Garland's Brigade and General D. H. Hill's division. He was in the battles around Richmond during the Seven Days' Fight; was wounded in the battle of Cold Harbor, and wounded and captured at Gettysburg and imprisoned 21 months at Fort Delaware and Point Lookout. He was exchanged just before Lee's surrender and was on furlough when the end came.

After the war he located at Hickory, N. C., and engaged in the mercantile business with a capital of $500, in partnership with his brother, A. L. Shuford, and continued in the mercantile business with different partners until 1890, twenty-five years in all. He then became a banker and manufacturer and is now the president of the First National Bank of Hickory and Shuford's National Bank, Newton, and is a director in the First National Bank of Morganton. In manufacturing enterprises he is deeply interested and is president of the Hickory Manufacturing Co., and vice-president of the Piedmont Wagon Works which turns out 8,000 wagons per annum, and is among the largest plants in the South. He is secretary and treasurer of the Granite Falls Manufacturing Co. (a cotton mill), the Ivey Cotton Mill, Hickory, and treasurer of the Brookford Cotton Mills at Hickory. He was chairman of the county Democratic committee 15 years and alderman of Hickory 20 years. He served on the board of county commissioners two terms and was a representative in the Legislature in 1884 and 1885. He is a director in the State Hospital at Morganton; trustee of Claremont College and Catawba College. He is a K. of P.

He married Miss Alda V. Campbell, a daughter of Ogburn Campbell, a physician of Newton, N. C., and a niece of Colonel Ruben of 7th regiment North Carolina Volunteers, Confederate service, and is the father of two sons and five daughters.

GEORGE ROUNTREE

Was born July 7, 1855, in Kinston, N. C., a son of R. H. Rountree, a cotton merchant of New York, and native of Pitt county.

His mother was Miss Cynthia B. Lofton, a daughter of William C. Lofton, a planter of Lenoir county, who was the leader of the Democratic party in that county and clerk of the court.

He went to Brooklyn, New York, in 1873, but entered Bethany College, West Virginia, that fall and remained there two years.

He then went to Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass., and graduated from there in the class of 1877, with a full degree of B. A. He went back to Kinston, N. C., and studied law in the office of A. J. Loftin, his uncle; later he went to Raleigh and attended the law school of Hon. George V. Strong. After being admitted to the bar he returned to Kinston and went into partnership with his uncle under the firm name of Loftin & Rountree. About the 1st of January, 1880, his health being impaired, he went to New York and entered the office of his father, Rountree & Co., cotton merchants, N. Y. He returned later to Kinston and took up his practice with his uncle under the firm name of Loftin & Rountree, but in 1890 he removed to Wilmington and began to

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practice law on his own account. He went to the Legislature in 1899, and again in 1901. He was married October, 1881, to Miss Meta A. Davis, daughter of the Honorable Geo. Davis, of Wilmington, and has four children. He is a member of the Episcopal church and chancellor of the diocese of Eastern North Carolina.

WILLIAM CARSON ERVIN

Was born in Marion, December 16, 1859. His father was the Reverend J. L. Ervin, a Methodist minister, and his mother was Miss Matilda Carson, of McDowell county, a daughter of Wm. M. Carson, who for several terms represented McDowell county in the State Legislature and held other positions of public trust.

Mr. Ervin was educated in the Finley High School at Lenoir and at the University of North Carolina, and graduated in law in 1880, before which he had read law with Judge Clinton A. Cilly, of Lenoir for two years. He began practice in Lenoir in 1881 and soon after became interested in the newspaper business, being associated with W. W. Scott, Jr., on the Lenoir Topic, where he continued about three years. He moved to Morganton and established the Morganton Mountaineer, a weekly, in 1884, and returned to Lenoir in 1886, and engaged in the practice of law, having been admitted to the bar in 1881. He remained in Lenoir from 1886 to 1889, practicing alone, and then returned to Morganton, and established the Morganton Herald which he conducted until 1895. He formed a law partnership with Isaac T. Avery in 1889, which has continued ever since. He was mayor of Lenoir for one term from 1887 to 1888. The firm of Avery & Ervin makes a specialty of corporation law, representing a number of large interests. Among them are the town of Morganton, Rhodiss Mfg. Co., Burke Tanning Co., and the Bank of Morganton. Mr. Ervin is vice-president of the Realty Loan and Guaranty Company of Morganton, and president of the Morganton Building and Loan Association.

He is a Mason, a member of the Royal Arcanum, the Manufacturers' Club of Charlotte, and the Methodist church. He was married in 1886 to Miss Kate Sheets, a daughter of the Rev. W. C. Sheets, a Presbyterian minister of Morganton and is the father of two children, a girl and a boy.

ISAAC THOMAS AVERY

Born January 30, 1856. His father was Clark M. Avery, a farmer and colonel of the 33d N. C. regiment, was wounded at the Battle of the Wilderness and died shortly after at Orange Court House in 1864. His mother was Miss Elizabeth Walton, a daughter of Thomas Walton, one of the old time merchants of Morganton, who traded with Charleston, South Carolina, by wagon, and was one of the leading men of the town in his day.

Mr. Avery was educated in the Finley High School at Lenoir, and studied law under his uncle, Judge Avery, and later in Dick and Dillard's law school of Greensboro, N. C., and got his license in 1880.

He at once began practice at Morganton and continued alone until 1889 when he formed a partnership with William C. Ervin, the firm name being Avery & Ervin. He has been mayor of Morganton for several terms, was one of the two State Senators in 1891, representing Burke, McDowell, Yancey and Caldwell counties, and has been chairman of the board of education of Burke county.

He was married June 17, 1891, to his cousin, Miss Lillian Walton, a daughter of Edward Stanley Walton, a merchant of Morganton, and at one time treasurer of the North Carolina Railroad and deputy treasurer under W. H. Worth, of the State Hospital and the school for the Deaf and Dumb. Mrs. Avery died in March, 1905, leaving six children, two boys and four girls.

He is a Mason, Jr. O. U. A. M., and a deacon in the Presbyterian church.

EDGAR REID RUSSELL

Was born in High Point, N. C., April 2, 1870. His father, M. H. Russell, moved to Rockingham, in 1871, from High Point and became a merchant and successful business man. He married widow of Dr. J. M. Crump, who was, before her marriage,

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Miss Nancy Harris, a native of Montgomery county, N. C. She died when Dr. Russell was two years of age and he was reared by his grand parents, Capt. Zebedee Russell, of Montgomery county. He received his early education in the local schools of Rockingham, and perfected his academic education at the Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va. He first studied medicine in the University of North Carolina and later graduated from the medical department of the University of Maryland in class of 1895. He practiced general medicine at Hickory, N. C., for four years, then took a special course at the Presbyterian Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital of Baltimore, and under Professor Hiram Woods, the noted specialist, and removed to Charlotte in 1900, where he began practice as an eye, ear, nose and throat specialist. With ten other doctors he organized the Presbyterian Hospital at Charlotte with modern equipment employing 20 trained nurses.

He is professor of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat in the North Carolina Medical College at Davidson and Charlotte. In 1904 he was elected president of the Charlotte Medical Society. Since graduation he has taken some special post graduation course each year, keeping up with modern medical developments.

In 1897 he married Miss Frances Marler, only daughter of Dr. W. A. Marler, of Hickory, N. C.

He is a member of the American Medical Association, the K. of P. and D. O. K. K., and the Phi Delta Theta fraternity of Chapel Hill.

THOMAS B. WOMACK

Was born in Pittsboro, N. C., February 12, 1855. His father was John A. Womack, a merchant and farmer, and his mother was Miss Rebecca F. Brown, daughter of John B. Brown, of Bladen county, and grand daughter of General Thomas Brown, an officer in the Revolution. He received his early education at the academy in Pittsboro. His first business engagement was as clerk in a store in Pittsboro: later he read law with Dr. John Manning, afterward dean of the school of law at the University of North Carolina. He was admitted to the bar in June, 1876, and began practice in Pittsboro. In 1898 he went to New York. After his return he opened an office in Raleigh. In 1885 he represented Chatham county in the Legislature, and Chatham and Alamance counties in the Senate in 1883; before that had been solicitor for the Criminal court in Chatham county. In 1890 was appointed judge of the Fifth Judicial District by Governor Fowle, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Gilmer. He was elected a member of the code commission in 1903 to codify the laws of North Carolina. He has published a digest of the decisions of the Supreme court of North Carolina in 3 volumes, and about ready with a fourth volume. He has also published a book on the law of private corporations of North Carolina.

He has served on several boards of various state institutions. He is ruling elder of the First Presbyterian church, of Raleigh, and a Mason. He married Miss Susie Taylor, daughter of Capt. John W. Taylor, of Chatham, November 30, 1881. In 1905 Wake Forest College conferred on him the degree of LL. D.

WILLIAM BOST GAITHER

Was born December 4, 1864, at Newton, N. C., a son of David B. Gaither, a merchant who was for some time postmaster at Newton and register of deeds of Catawba county for several terms. His mother was Miss Mary Bost, a daughter of Jonas Bost, of Catawba county. He was educated at Catawba College and read law under Mr. Witherspoon, of Witherspoon & Witherspoon, at Newton, and was admitted to the bar in 1896 and has practiced at Newton ever since. He has never had a professional partner. He was postmaster of Newton for one term, 1893 to 1897, and assistant postmaster for the four years prior. He was a member of the State Legislature for the session of 1901. Was an alderman for two years and has been elected mayor of Newton for five terms. He has been attorney for Catawba county since 1902, and is also attorney for several large industrial enterprises.

He is a Mason and secretary of Catawba Lodge, No. 248, and has been Worshipful Master of this lodge for five years and is an elder of the Pres-

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byterian church and chairman of the board of trustees of Newton graded schools.

He married Miss Genevieve Wilfong, a daughter of S. T. Wilfong, a farmer of Catawba county, and at the time of his death, in October, 1905, was a member of the state board of agriculture, and formerly a member of the State Legislature.

He is the father of seven children, four girls and three boys.

PLUMMER STEWART

Was born in Union county, July 13, 1870. His father was R. L. Stewart, a farmer, and his mother before her marriage was Miss Sallie M. Phifer, both parents being natives of Union county.

Mr. Stewart was educated at Trinity College, Durham, N. C., from which he graduated in 1894. After leaving college he first taught school at Marshville Academy, in Union county, for six years, after which he had charge of Monroe High School for one year. Studied law at the University of North Carolina and graduated in 1901 and has practiced in Charlotte ever since. In 1905 he formed a partnership with John A. McRae. He was county superintendent of education for Union county for two years.

On May 31, 1905, he married Miss Annie Harrell, of Union county, and has an attractive home in Charlotte.

As a general practitioner he ranks well in his profession, both as to ability and character.

LE ROY ROBINSON WHITENER

Was born in Catawba county, November 27, 1837. His father was Henry Whitener, a carpenter, and his mother was Miss Emeline Hoyle, a daughter of Solomon Hoyle, a farmer of Cleveland county. He was educated in the Old Field School and at Catawba College. He was first in business before the war as a mill wright.

During the war between the states he was a sergeant in Co. A., 12th N. C. He was in the battle at Hanover Court House, seven days' fight around Richmond, Malvern Hill, Cold Harbor, the Wilderness, Chancellorsville, Fredericksburg; was wounded and captured at Gettysburg and imprisoned at Davis Island above New York, but was exchanged in 1863, rejoined his regiment and was at the surrender, never having been sick a day during the entire war. He walked home after surrendering with Lee at Appomatox Court House and went to work farming. He was a county commissioner eight years, in the State Legislature two terms, 1895 and 1897, mayor of Hickory two terms, a trustee of the State Hospital at Morganton, and a member of the Hickory Board of Aldermen.

He first married Miss Martha Jane Shuford, a daughter of Geo. P. Shuford, on January 16, 1866, and his second wife was Mrs. Alice Murrill, daughter of Rev. J. J. Ingold, of the German Reformed church of Catawba county. He is an elder in the German Reformed church.

ALEXANDER LEE SMOOT

Was born February 17, 1864, at Jonesville, Yadkin county. His father was Reverend James F. Smoot, of North Carolina Conference M. E. Church, South, a native of Rowan county. His mother was Miss Virginia Brittingham, of Portsmouth, Virginia, whose father managed the ferry between Portsmouth and Norfolk, Va., and lived near Portsmouth.

He was educated at Trinity College. After leaving college he taught school in Bell and Williamson counties, Texas. He left there in 1895 and returned to Salisbury where he went into the clothing business under the firm name of Smoot Brothers & Rogers, and continued in this business until 1900, when he was elected register of deeds and is now on his third consecutive term in that office.

He is a Mason, a senior warden in the Blue Lodge, High Priest in the chapter and Junior Warden in the Commandery.

He is secretary and treasurer of the Hiddenite Granite Company of Alexander county, vice-president of the Finger Lumber Company of Landrums, S. C., director in the People's Bank and Trust Company of Salisbury, and of the Salisbury Guarantee, Loan and Trust Company; secretary and treasurer of the Smoot Brothers & Rogers Clothing establishment.

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JESSE ALBION GILES

Was born in Randolph county, February 21, 1873. He is a son of the Rev. J. L. Giles, of the Methodist Protestant church. His mother before her marriage was Miss Nannie York, of Randolph county.

He was educated in the schools of Siler City and at the Catawba College, Newton, N. C. He studied law at Wake Forest College and was admitted to the bar in the fall of 1897. He first practiced in Pittsboro, Chatham county, for seven years and a half and then moved to Durham, N. C., in February, 1905. He was elected to the State Legislature in 1899 and was a candidate in 1900 for re-election but was defeated. In the fall of 1900 he was a candidate for congressional honors, but was defeated by E. W. Pou. On June 2, 1904, the Attorney General of the United States appointed him Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina. On March 24, 1895, he married Miss Florence Culler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Culler, of Pinnacle, N. C., and is the father of five children, three girls and two boys.

He is a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., the K. of P., and the Methodist Protestant church.

ISAAC FOOTE DORTCH

Was born in Goldsboro on August 23, 1849. His father was the Hon. Wm. T. Dortch, twice speaker of the House of Commons of North Carolina before the war and was a Confederate senator during the whole existence of the Confederate government. His mother was Miss Mary Elizabeth Pittman, daughter of Mr. Harold Pittman, a farmer of Edgecombe county. He graduated from the Washington and Lee University, Virginia, class of 1870, and read law under Chief Justice Pearson at Richmond Hill in Yadkin county and was admitted to the bar in June, 1872, and began practice at Goldsboro with his father, the firm style being Wm. T. Dortch & Son. In 1873 he was elected Grand Chancellor of the K. of P. for North Carolina. He continued practice with his father until 1884. Since that date he has practiced alone and is now the oldest practitioner at the Goldsboro bar. He was elected to the House of Representatives of the State Legislature in 1874 and to the State Senate in 1876.

He married Miss Lucy Hogg, a daughter of Dr. Thomas D. Hogg, of Raleigh, N. C., and has five daughters and three sons.

He is vice-president of the Goldsboro Savings and Trust Company; is one of the three members of the Goldsboro Board of Public Works in charge of the electric lights, waterworks and sewerage systems, and is a director in several cotton mill companies.

PAUL SHERARD HUTCHINS

Was born in Chapel Hill, December 1, 1874. His father was Captain John Rhodes Hutchins, a planter. His mother was Miss Elizabeth Hooks Cox, a daughter of General J. G. Cox, of Kinston, N. C. He was educated at the University of North Carolina. His first business experience was with the Citizens', afterwards the Home Savings Bank of Durham as bookkeeper and later as cashier. When the Merchants' Bank of Durham was organized in June, 1905, he was made cashier of the new institution, which is capitalized at $25,000.

He is an Odd Fellow and an Elk.

JOSEPH DAVIS PRIDGEN

Was born in Nash County, N. C. June 26th, 1864. He is a son of Drewry P. Pridgen a farmer of Nash County. His mother was Miss Aquilla Davis a daughter of a master mechanic and farmer of Nash County. Mr. Pridgen was educated in the Old Field School, and in Ruthford College. He kept books for D. A. Batts for ten months at Elm City, Wilson County, N. C. shortly after leaving college. Next he taught school for ten months in Wilson. September 1885 he moved to Durham where he became bookkeeper for S. R. Perry, a position he held for two years, later he became bookkeeper for Jones & Lang, a dry goods concern which later became Jones & Co.. and remained with this house ten years. In 1895 he went into the shoe business by himself, but later took T. J. Jones in as a partner.

He is vice-president and organizer

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of the Durham Chamber of Commerce and City Alderman for two years 1903 to 1905. He is a Mason, a K. of P. and is District Deputy Grand Chancellor of the Third District. As an Odd Fellow is Past Grand Master, and is also Past Consul Commander of the Woodmen of the World.

He is clerk of the Board of Trustees and treasurer of Trinity Methodist Church and first assistant superintendent of the Sunday school.

He married Miss Lavinia Blackwell, youngest sister of Colonel W. T. Blackwell, February 27th, 1889, and is the father of five children three daughters and two sons.

He is the managing partner of the Pridgen-Jones Shoe Co., and transacts the second largest retail shoe business in the State of North Carolina.

SPENCER BELL ADAMS

Was born in Dobson, Surry county, N. C., October 15, 1860. His father was John A. Adams, a farmer and merchant of Surry county. His mother was Miss Sarah A. Adams before her wedding, and a cousin of his father. He was educated in the academies at Booneville and Rockingham, N. C., and at Riceville, Va. He studied law in Dick and Dillard's law school, Greensboro, and received his license to practice in February, 1882, and practiced at Yanceyville, Caswell county, until December of that year, when he was elected clerk, and ex-officio Probate Judge. While he was holding these offices he also practiced in adjoining counties until 1896, when he resigned his position as clerk, having been elected judge of the Superior court. He qualified as judge of the Superior court of North Carolina January 1, 1897, and resigned his judgeship October 1, 1898, to run for Congress in the Fifth district. From 1899 to 1901 he was secretary and treasurer of the North Carolina Railroad Company, and ran for Governor on the Republican ticket in 1900. He removed to Greensboro in 1898, and practiced there, being associated with R. D. Douglass for the first year of his residence there, when this firm was dissolved. He continued to practice alone until July 1, 1902, when he was appointed, by the President, Chief Justict of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Citizenship Court, Indian Territory, and entered at once upon the duties of that position, still retaining his residence in Greensboro. The work of this court being completed, the office expiring by limitation, December 31, 1904, he resumed his practice at Greensboro, January 1, 1905.

He was married to Miss Lizzie Swift, daughter of Joseph M. Swift of Yanceyville, N. C., in 1884, and is the father of five children, four girls and a boy. He is a Mason and a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

LAWRENCE A. DODSWORTH

Lawrence A. Dodsworth was born in New York city April 1, 1877. His father is N. Frederick Dodsworth, an insurance man widely known in New York, and his mother before her marriage was Miss Alwilda Dam, of Massachusetts. Mr. Dodsworth graduated from Yale with the class of 1891. Soon after leaving college, he came to Charlotte and engaged in the cotton business under the style of Howell & Dodsworth, his associate being G. A. Howell. This firm was dissolved last September and he has since been engaged in the cotton commission business alone. He is now secretary and treasurer of the Charlotte Cotton Exchange and Board of Trade.

Mr. Dodsworth married Miss Mary Moore Young, of Charlotte, in 1895, and has a most charming home.

He is a popular member of the Manufacturers' Club and has been honored with the office of Grand Commander of the Knights Templar of North Carolina. He is highly thought of in business and social circles of his adopted city.

PLEASANT DANIEL GOLD, JR.

Although a native North Carolinian, when he reached his majority P. D. Gold, Jr., left the state to seek his fortunes among strangers. Through a strange coincidence his future course was changed to the scenes of his boyhood, and the corporation with which he was employed sent him back to his native state to exert his efforts to build up the old commonwealth. He was born at Wilson, N. C., May 13, 1876. His father is P. D. Gold, a Baptist minister and editor of Zion's

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Landmark. His mother before her marriage was Miss Julia Pipkin, a daughter of Willis Pipkin, at that time a large planter of Lenoir county, N. C. He received his education in the high schools of Wilson and entered the University of North Carolina in 1893. He taught school from 1894 to 1895 to obtain funds to continue his education. He re-entered the University in 1895, and graduated with class of 1898 as B. A., taking representative medal for oratory. During his senior year he wrote a history of state banking, a sketch of which won the North Carolina Historical prize. After leaving Chapel Hill he went to Richmond, Va., obtained a position with Bradstreet's Mercantile Agency, and took a law course in the afternoon school at Richmond College. At the end of the session he was forced to abandon his law studies on account of a promotion which he received which carried him to the Baltimore office of the Bradstreet Agency. In the latter part of 1899 he was sent to Greensboro to open up a branch office of the Bradstreet Company and became its first manager at that point, a position which he held continuously until July, 1902, when he resigned to become superintendent of agents for J. Sterling Jones, general agent of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society for North Carolina. After a few months, together with Dr. Dred Peacock, he purchased the business of J. S. Jones, and organized the firm of Peacock & Gold. In January, 1904, with his brother, C. W. Gold, of Wilson, N. C., he purchased the interests of Dr. Peacock and continued the name of Peacock & Gold Company, acting as president and manager. In August, 1905, the name of the corporation was changed to Gold & Gold Inc. This firm has entire control of North and South Carolina, and part of East Tennessee as general agents of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society. Under his management the company's business has increased each year nearly three times as large as formerly. He is also secretary and treasurer of the Life Underwriters Association of North Carolina, treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce of Greensboro, chairman of the executive committee of the North Carolina State Audubon Society, director of the North State Fire Insurance Company, and interested in several other enterprises in Greensboro.

He was married in May, 1901, to Miss Elizabeth Balsley, daughter of W. G. Balsley, a merchant of Greensboro, and is the father of one son, P. D. Gold, Jr., Jr. He is Past Exalted Ruler of the Elks of Greensboro, vice-president of the Elks Club, a member of the election committee of the Merchants and Manufacturers Club, and has served on the Board of Governors of that organization. He was president of the Business Men's Association at Greensboro from its organization until it was merged into the Chamber of Commerce, January, 1905. During his six years' residence in Greensboro, he has been very active in public work, taking a prominent part in the upbuilding of the Gate City.

ROBERT C. STRUDWICK

Was born in Hillsboro, North Carolina, on August 24, 1857, the son of Frederick Nash and Mary Burwell Strudwick. He was educated at the school of the Misses Nash and Miss Kollock at Hillsboro, and at the Bingham School at Mebane, North Carolina. He read law under the late William K. Ruffin at Hillsboro, and was admitted to the bar in 1878. He practiced his profession in Durham until 1889, when he removed to Seattle, Washington, where he continutd in active practice until 1902, when he returned to his native state, settling in Greensboro.

Mr. Strudwick was elected to the Legislature from Durham county in 1883, being the first Representative sent to the Lower House by that young, but progressive county.

In 1892 Mr. Strudwick was the nominee of his party for corporation counsel of Seattle, and 1900 he was nominated for judge of the Superior Court of King county, in which Seattle is situated.

Mr. Strudwick was married in 1884 to Miss Sally Patteson Lewis of Scottsville, Albemarle county, Virginia.

BENJ. D. HEATH

Was born in Lancaster county, S. C. His father was M. C. Heath, a farmer of Lancaster county, and his mother before her marriage was Miss Mary Morrow, of Lancaster. He graduated from Bryan and Stratton's

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Commercial College, of Baltimore, Md., in 1869. Mr. Heath's first venture in the commercial world was in the general merchandise business at Munroe, N. C. He continued in the business from 1875 to 1889. He moved to Charlotte in 1892 and engaged in the banking business with his brother, O. P. Heath under the style of Heath Bros. In 1897 he was made president of the Charlotte National Bank, a position he has held since that institution was first organized. He is also president of the Newton Cotton Mills, of Newton, N. C., the Cliffside Mills, of Cliffside, N. C., Manetta Mills, of London, N. C., the Edgemoore & Manetta Railway, the Cliffside Railway and of the Stock Mutual Insurance Co., of Greensboro, N. C.

He is a thorough energetic man of affairs who has made a success of every business enterprise with which his name has been conspicuously associated.

MATT J. HEYER

Was born in Wilmington, North Carolina, May 10, 1854. His father was John C. Heyer, a wholesale grocer, who began business in Wilmington in 1840, and conducted one of the best known houses in Eastern North Carolina, and was known to the commercial world far beyond the limits of his state. His mother before her marriage was Miss M. E. Johnson, a daughter of Matt Johnson, a successful farmer. Mr. Heyer was educated in the schools of Wilmington and at Eastman's Commercial College, Poughkeepsie, New York. After leaving college, he engaged in the grocery business with his father, whom he succeeded in 1883. He sold out his grocery business to his brothers, April, 1898, with the exception of the export trade, which he continued to handle in conjunction with his private banking business. In 1902 he established the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company of Wilmington, with a capital of $50,000 and surplus of $20,000, with $600,000 deposit. In August, 1905, the Southern National Bank was established by him with a capital of $200,000 and a surplus of $100,000.

He was married in August, 1883, to Miss Mary Bell, of Norfolk, Virginia, and is the father of two children, a daughter and a son.

He is considered one of Wilmington's ablest business men and best informed bankers. Besides being president of the Southern National Bank and the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company, he is a director in the North State Fire Insurance Company and a director of the Greensboro Life Insurance Company, and a director of the Consolidated R. R. L. & P. Co., and is also a director and secretary and treasurer of the Spiritine Chemical Company of Wilmington and Malmo, N. C.

He is personally a man of many strong friends and is conservative in his business habits. He is a member of the Masonic order, the Howard Relief Club and the Atlantic Yacht Club. In religion he is an Episcopalian.

WILLIAM STATES LEE, JR.

Was born in Lancaster county, South Carolina, January 28, 1872. He is a son of W. S. Lee, the well known educator of Anderson, S. C. His mother previous to her marriage was Miss Jenny Lind Williamson, of Lancaster, S. C.

Mr. Lee is a graduate of the South Carolina Military Academy, of Charleston, S. C. His first professional work was on the survey for the map of the new county of Greenwood, South Carolina. He next was employed on the survey of the Carolina Midland Ry., and a resident engineer of that road from September, 1896, to March, 1897.

From March, 1897, to January, 1898, he was resident engineer of the Anderson Water, Light and Power Company, a water power development of 4,500 horse-power with ten miles of transmission that cost $600,000. From January to March, 1898, he was resident engineer of the Pickens R. R., and from March to November of that year he was an assistant U. S. engineer engaged on the defenses of Charleston harbor, S. C. From November, 1898, to April, 1900, resident engineer Columbus Power Co., Columbus, Ga. From April, 1900 to March 15, 1903, he was chief engineer of the Columbus Power Company, an electrical development that cost a million and a half.

From March to October, 1903, he

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was chief engineer of the Catawba Power Co., of Charlotte, N. C. From October 10, 1903, to this time, he has been vice-president and chief engineer of the Catawba Power Co.

Recently he was made second vice-president and chief engineer of the Southern Power Co., of Charlotte, which is now developing the Great Falls Water Power of Chester, South Carolina, a 30,000 horse-power plant.

Mr. Lee married Miss Mary Martin, of Columbus, Ga., and has two children, a boy and a girl. He is a member of the Southern Manufacturers' Club, the Knights of Pythias and the Masonic order, in which he is a Shriner.

Mr. Lee is well liked socially, being a man of agreeable, straightforward manner. His exceptionally successful professional career has been the result of hard work, and careful attention to the duties of his calling.

ROBERT W. SMITH

Was born in Oakland county, Michigan, December 26, 1846. His father, Joseph Smith, was a farmer of Irish extraction and his mother was Miss Margaret Sedgwick, of Scotch parentage. Mr. Smith's parents moved to Michigan in 1833. He was educated in the public schools until he was 16 years of age. He spent two years in the Holly High School and graduated at the head of his class in 1862. He engaged in the business of furniture manufacturing shortly after leaving school at Owosso, Mich., and was in this line until 1864, when he sold out his business and enlisted in Company K, Thirtieth Michigan Infantry, serving with this command until the close of the war in 1865. His parents in the meantime had moved to Jackson county, Michigan, and at the close of the war he accepted a position with S. Hayser & Sons, wholesale sash, door and blind manufacturers, who employed 150 skilled mechanics and conducted the largest establishment of the kind in Southern Michigan. He remained with this firm as superintendent and general manager for 21 years. About 1886 he resigned and removed to Detroit, Michigan, where he bought a one-third interest in the firm of Dewey, Allen & Son, building contractors, and remained with them as general manager for two years. He then sold out his interest in this business and moved to Chattanooga, Tenn., where he accepted a position with the Hughes Lumber Co. as general manager, remaining with them but one year, when he resigned and moved to Charlotte, N. C., where he took stock in the Charlotte Sash, Door and Blind factory and was made general manager. He conducted this business for six years when he formed a partnership with William Tiddy, and bought out the stock of the Charlotte Sash, Door and Blind factory. The new firm being known as Smith & Tiddy. This firm was on the death of Mr. Tiddy dissolved, and changed to Smith & Son. Under this new organization the business was conducted for five years at the corner of College and Second streets until Mr. Smith was made postmaster of Charlotte, March 2, 1893. He took charge of this important office April 1, 1893, and has held the position ever since.

Under his administration the gross receipts of the Charlotte postoffice have increased from $57,000.00 to $87,000.00, and his salary has been increased $100 each year for two years past. It is now $3,300 per annum, the largest salary paid any postmaster in North Carolina.

Politically Mr. Smith has always been a strong Republican. He cast his first ballot while yet in the army in 1864, for Abraham Lincoln. His father was one of the organizers of the original Republican party, "Under the Oaks," at Jackson, Mich., in 1856, such men as Jack Chandler, James O'Donnell and Colonel W. H. Whittington, ex-Gov. Blair and other prominent men of the district being present. Mr. Smith was the oldest of seven boys all of whom were Republicans.

He is a Mason, and was Master of Jackson Lodge, No. 17, for two years. High Priest of Jackson Chapter, No. 3, for one year, and captain of Company A, First Mich. U. R., K. of P., for three years. Eminent Commander Charlotte Commandery, No. 2, for one year; Marshall Oasis Temple, No. 50, Order of the Mystic Shrine, Post N. G., Charlotte Lodge, No. 88, I. O. O. F., Post Chief P. Catawba Encampment No. 9, District Deputy of Encampment two years and Present Senior Warden Phalanx Lodge, No. 31.

Mr. Smith was married 37 years ago to Miss Hester J. Boerem, of Owosso, Mich., and had three children born to him, two boys living, Walter C.

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and William G. Smith, and one daughter, Ella, deceased.

His career in Charlotte is a brilliant testimonial to the fact that there are many opportunities for success awaiting the better class of Northerners in the South. He is well liked personally and his business abilities and integrity are thoroughly appreciated by all classes of Charlotte's citizens.

Mr. Smith gives his personal attention, as well as his general supervision to every detail of the great postoffice in his charge. No small task, as will be realized when it is known that there are ten clerks in the clerical department; twelve letter carriers; two special delivery messengers, eleven rural carriers and three on the custodian force.

WALTER HART NEAL

Walter Hart Neal was born in Franklin, N. C., February 19, 1859. His father was George W. Neal, of Hertford Co., N. C. He was educated by his father who was a Methodist preacher and school teacher, was graduated at bar in 1880; first practiced at Laurenburg, N. C., from 1880 to 1901, at which time he was appointed to the bench by Gov. Aycock. In the fall of 1903 was re-elected for the term of eight years by the people. His judicial district covers the counties of Union, Anson, Richmond, Scotland, Chatham and Moore. He was married to Miss Emma Gill in 1884 at Laurenburg, and has three children, two boys and one girl. Judge Neal has never sought an office at any time and has never held any except the judgeship. His decisions have been marked by unusual fairness and disregard of persons. The poor man and the rich man have an equal showing and technicalities seldom deflect the course of justice in his court.

D. A. TOMKINS

Born October, 1852, in Edgefield county, South Carolina, on a plantation nine miles north of Edgefield village, the county seat.

Attended the common schools in the country till 14 years of age. Throughout childhood and youth was in close contact with cotton production as a farming proposition.

Attended an advanced school at Edgefield C. H. for one year.

1868-1869 at South Carolina College in Columbia, S. C.; graduated in fall, 1869. Here General E. P. Alexander, professor of mathematics, most influenced his future course of study and work.

1870-73 Rennsalaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y.; graduated 1873.

1873-74 draftsman and secretary to Alexander L. Holley, engineer, who introduced the Bessemer process in this country and built all the Bessemer works in this country up to time of his death.

1874 to 1881 worked as machinist, draftsman, and in other capacities for Bethlehem Iron Works, now the Bethlehem Steel Works in Pennsylvania, under John Fritz, leading steel maker in America.

1882, master mechanic Crystal Plate Glass Works in Missouri.

1883, employed by Westinghouse Machine Co. as engineer, and located at Charlotte, N. C., to look after interests of the company in Southern territory.

1887, organized the D. A. Tompkins Company, engineers and contractors, building cotton mills and cotton seed oil mills and other manufacturing plants.

Now operating machine shop at Charlotte, building cotton machinery, cotton oil machinery and some other machinery. Also engaged in cotton manufacture and cotton oil manufactures.

Author of the following books: American Commerce, Its Expansion; Cotton Values in Textile Fabrics; Cotton Mill, Processes and Calculations; Cotton Mill, Commercial Features; Cotton and Cotton Oil; History of Mecklenburg County, in 2 volumes.

FRANK RAMSAY McNINCH

Was born in Charlotte, N. C., April 27, 1873, and has lived in that city all of his life. He was educated at Barrier's Military Academy until he was 15 years of age, when he went to work to win his way in the world. At seventeen years of age he was sent out upon "the road" as a drummer for a Charlotte grocery house; later he obtained a position with a large Rich-

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mond house, and afterwards with a New York concern. His experience as a traveling man covering altogether a period of four years. He began the study of the law by himself, but after reading it alone for a year, decided to take a course at the University of North Carolina, and was licensed to practice February 6, 1899. He immediately opened an office in Charlotte, and began to practice. His path at first was not strewn with roses, but a few vagrant wild flowers drifted his way, and in time he succeeded in building up a good practice.

He has always taken an active interest in politics, and has stumped the greater part of the state, giving his party the best efforts of his brilliant, oratorical talents in every campaign since he passed his 21st birthday. In 1904 he ran for the Legislature and was elected by a majority of 2,500. His main fight throughout his political career has been as an uncompromising advocate of temperance and moral reforms which has aroused the fierce opposition of the saloon element. He was floor leader of the temperance forces in the Legislature last session; a heavy fight was on that needed courage and ability in the leader; Mr. McNinch was esteemed the best man for the honor. That he was a wise choice is proved by the resultant legislation. Not a single bill advocated by the temperance people was defeated, nor was one opposed by them passed.

Mr. McNinch was the author of the new Anti-Jug law, and was in charge of all important liquor legislation for the Prohibition forces. His hardest undertaking during the session was for the reform of the divorce law; he being the author of the famous McNinch Divorce Law, which was fought throughout the entire session, and finally passed after a most tremendous fight on the last day of the meeting. The principal of this law being that it repeals all special acts since the Code of 1883, creating new causes for divorce, and makes the law much stricter regarding the conduct of the husband.

The passage of this important measure and the liquor legislation occupied most of the young orator's attention during the last legislature, and he is commendably proud of the fact that the temperance cause lost not a single fight under his leadership. His attempt was, however, to make a rec- of conservatism with progress, killing more bad bills than creating new measures.

Mr. McNinch was married June 21, 1905, to Miss Mary Groome, of Greensboro, N. C. He is a prominent member of the K. of P., and has been a representative from Charlotte Lodge, No. 83, to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, the legislative branch of the order, for seven or eight years past. He is also a member of the I. O. O. F., the Junior Order of American Mechanics, the Presbyterian church, and the Democratic party.

Mr. McNinch has made a professional and public record that stamps him as a man of unusual ability and strict integrity. He is looked upon by an army of friends and admirers as one from whom the best efforts for the highest aims can always be expected.

DR. THOMAS LAWRENCE

Was born June 15, 1832, at Crossford, Scotland, son of John Lawrence, who was born at Coopar, Fifeshire, where his grandfather was a small landed proprietor. His father, John Lawrence, lost his property early in life through the faithlessness of an Edinburgh banker. His mother was Miss Christina H. Johnstone before her marriage, and a member of the Johnstone family who were retainers of the Black Douglas.

Dr. Lawrence's birthplace (as stated above), Crossford, was in Lanarkshire on the upper Clyde, a region redolent of history and romance. In the neighborhood are the Douglass strongholds, Bothwell and Tillietudlem Castle, made memorable in Old Mortality.

He attended the parish school in Lochwinnoch, Scotland, and some of his schoolmates were blood relations of Robert Burns.

When he was about six years old his parents emigrated to the United States and settled at Alleghany City, Western Pennsylvania. As his mother for a time was an invalid, the lad was sent to live on a farm with a Scotch family and learned to do all sorts of farm work. Later he returned to the city, and with a natural dislike for school, he chose to go to work at the age of 13. He, however, had developed a taste for reading and together with Andrew Carnegie shared the privileges of the library founded by Colonel Anderson. One of the results of these privileges has been the

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Carnegie free libraries in America and Great Britain.

He was employed from 13 to 18 years of age in an extensive establishment in Pittsburg, Pa., and enjoyed the confidence of his employers to such an extent that they offered him an interest in the business should he remain until he was 21.

Desiring, however, to study law, he became a student at Westminster Academy, Alleghany City, a portion of two winters and then entered the Western University of Pennsylvania, from which he graduated in 1858, leading his class in mathematics, Latin and Greek. He was much influenced by Professor Robert Grierson, of the university, a friend of his family who had been a pupil of Thomas Carlyle, when with the celebrated Edward Irving, he taught the Academy at Annan.

After graduation he studied law for a brief period but through the influence of his mother and pastor, his law books were laid aside to enter the Theological Seminary of the United Presbyterian church at Alleghany City, graduating in 1861 and being licensed to preach in the spring of that year, was ordained pastor of the Putnam congregation of Washington county, N. Y. In 1860 he resigned and with his wife, Miss Sarah M. Carl, whom he had married June 7, 1865, went aboad and took a post graduate course of about two years at the Universities of Bonn and Leipsic, Hebrew and Old Testament Exegesis being his particular studies.

He returned to America in 1869 and took charge of the Sharpsburg church in the suburbs of Pittsburg, changing his relations from the United Presbyterian to the Presbyterian church. At the end of eight years he accepted a call thrice repeated to the chair of Greek in the Collegiate Department, and of Greek and Hebrew Exegesis in the Theological Department of Biddle University at Charlotte, N. C., which had been established by the Northern Presbyterian church for the education of teachers and ministers for their large mission field lying within the bounds of the two colored Presbyterian Synods covering the South Atlantic states.

His associates on the board of trustees were General Rufus Barringer, Major John E. Oates, Major Watson Reed, Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson and Dr. Fair. And there were associated with him in the Collegiate and Theological Departments of the University, a number of Christian gentlemen of ripe culture who enjoyed in the highest degree the confidence and esteem of the populace community in which the institution was placed.

Biddle University, whilst Dr. Lawrence was connected with it, enjoyed a social prestige which, perhaps, no other institution of the kind in the South has attained.

Dr. Lawrence spent twelve laborious, useful years at Biddle University. Within a brief period he secured $50,000 for the erection of one of the handsomest college buildings in the South at that time, and his success in this matter has given him the credit for virtually building Biddle University.

He wisely instructed his pupils to seek the confidence of the best element of white people. This advice antagonized the Freedmen Board of Pittsburg, Pa., and resulted in the resignation of the entire faculty with its influential board of trustees.

After leaving Biddle University, Dr. Lawrence was called to New York by the Home Mission Board of the Presbyterian church to consult with them with reference to mission school work in Western North Carolina. He has been since its establishment, president of the Normal and Collegiate Institute, which has furnished Western North Carolina a school equal to many state institutions in the results attained along the line of its endeavor.

By his first marriage, Dr. Lawrence had two children, and by his second, one.

The Western University of Pennsylvania, his almer mater, conferred upon him the degree of D. D. in 1881.

ALBERT HENRY WASHBURN

Of Charlotte, North Carolina, was born March 30, 1857, in the village of Millville, town of Blackstone, Worcester county, Massachusetts, and is the eldest of three brothers, Francis H. and Ulysees S.

He is descended on his father's side from the French Huguenots and the Puritans. His father, Francis Oscar Washburn, was born in Burlville, Rhode Island, as were his father and grandfather. Several of his ancestors served in the Continental Army in the Revolutionary War.

His mother's maiden name was

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Margaret Tyler Scott. She was born in Greenoch, near Glasgow, Scotland, coming to this country with her father when a young child.

Mr. Washburn attended the public schools of Millbury and Uxbridge, Massachusetts, up to the time he was eleven and a half years old, being compelled then to seek employment to help support the family. His father, who had been a soldier in the Union Army in the Civil War, had contracted diseases while in the service that prevented him from following any occupation or business regularly.

The family about this time removed to Pawtucket, where Mr. Washburn entered the employ of the J. & P. Coats Thread Company, and soon after, in April, 1872, his father died. While with the Coats Thread Mills he saved money enough to pay his expenses through the Bryant & Stratton Business College, of Providence, Rhode Island, for one year. After leaving the business college, he re-entered the service of the Coats Thread Mills, and in 1881 was sent by them to Atlanta, Georgia, to look after the mechanical part of their exhibit at the first Atlanta Cotton Exposition in that year. Within a year after his return from Atlanta, he resigned his position with the Coats', and entered the employ of the Pawtucket Thread Company, of Providence, Rhode Island, as superintendent.

In 1885 he left the Pawtucket Thread Company, and went to Burlington, New Jersey, as superintendent of the Burlington Thread Company.

In 1887 he returned to Pawtucket, Rhode Island, to accept a position as superintendent of the Lebanon Mills, manufacturing cotton yarns. Early in 1899 the Lebanon Mills were destroyed by fire. The year before this, the Potter & Atherton Machine Company began business in Pawtucket, and Mr. Washburn entered their employ soon after the Lebanon Mill fire, as erecting man and salesman, with a view of entering the machinery business later in the South.

He first arrived in Charlotte in the fall of 1889, and has spent practically all of the period since in the South, with the exception of the time he was at the World's Fair in Chicago, where he was located in Machinery Hall, in charge of the exhibit of the Potter & Atherton Machine Company. On May 1st, 1895, he formed a connection with Charlotte Machine Company, of which the late Mr. H. S. Chadwick was president. They were Southern agents for several large cotton mill machinery builders.

In 1898, Mr. Chadwick, who was a captain of a militia company in Charlotte, gave up his business to go with his regiment into the Spanish-American war, and Mr. Washburn was made general manager of the Charlotte Machine Company.

About March 1, 1899, Mr. Chadwick died, and the Charlotte Machine Company was dissolved, and Mr. Washburn succeeded to the business of the above named company, and was made Southern agent of the Saco & Pettee Machine Shops, the Crompton & Knowles Loom Works, and other concerns manufacturing machinery for the complete equipment of cotton mills, including power plants.

Mr. Washburn has been married twice. His first wife was Miss Carrie Christina Macomber, of Pawtucket, who died in January, 1890.

On October 31, 1892, he was married to Miss Marion Lake, of Oswego, New York, in Columbus, Georgia. Four children are the result of this marriage, Marion, Margaret Louise, and Alberta, all living, and one boy, Albert Henry, Jr., who died when eleven months old.

He is a member of the Second Presbyterian church of Charlotte, North Carolina, also a member of the Manufacturers' and Colonial Clubs, of Charlotte, and is a Mason, Knights Templer, Shriner and member Odd Fellows and Red Men's lodges.

He is a director of the Hoskins Mills, Inc., Fidelity Manufacturing Company, Calvine Manufacturing Company, Piedmont Realty Company, and president of the Ray Printing Company, all of Charlotte, North Carolina. Also a director of the Bessemer City Cotton Mills, Bessemer City, North Carolina.

ALBERT R. WILSON

Was born in Pitt county, N. C., August 18, 1859. His father was A. G. Wilson, a farmer of Pitt county, and his mother was before her marriage Miss Mary E. Holliday, of Pitt county.

He was educated at Hughes Academy, in Orange county, and in the University of North Carolina. He graduated in medicine March, 1882.

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From graduation to February, 1884, he practiced at Greensboro. In February, 1884, he returned to Danville, Va., and practiced there till January, 1885. In January, 1885, he returned to Pelham, N. C., and there practiced until his removal to Greensboro in February, 1891.

Since removing to Greensboro he has been in active general practice. On October 5, 1887, he married Miss Lucy Anderson Price, of Albemarle county, Virginia, and is the father of three boys and two girls.

He is a member of the K. of P. and for the past five years an elder in the Presbyterian church. He is president of the Guilford County Medical Society, and a member of the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina, and Greensboro Academy of Medicine.

ALFRED MOORE SCALES

Was born in Greensboro, August 20, 1870, a son of Junius I. Scales, attorney, who was a State Senator for several terms, and a colonel in the Confederate army. His mother before her wedding, was Miss Effie Henderson, of Granville, now Vance county, and a grand daughter of Chief Justice Leonard Henderson. Mr. Scales was educated at the Raleigh Male Academy and the University of North Carolina, where he also studied law. He entered college in 1888 and graduated with the class of 1892 and was admitted to the bar in that year. He first practiced in Greensboro, being associated with Judge R. M. Douglas and later was five years with Judge Shaw, until the judge went on the bench. He then continued practice alone until 1902, when he formed a partnership with Z. B. Taylor and his brother, J. I. Scales. He is attorney for four of the Greensboro Fire Insurance companies and for the Southern Life Insurance Co., and is a director in the latter institution.

He was attorney for the city of Greensboro for over seven years. He is the legal representative of several industrial corporations. He was a member of the State Senate from Guilford county in 1897 and 1905 and has been trustee of the University of North Carolina for eight years. He was formerly chairman of the Democratic committee of Guilford county, and at present is a member of the State Central Executive Committee. In 1895 he married Miss Bessie Taylor, of Wilmington, N. C., a daughter of Colonel John D. Taylor, and has three children, one girl and two boys. He is an Odd Fellow and was Grand Regent of the Royal Arcanum for one year for the State of North Carolina. He is an elder in the First Presbyterian church of Greensboro and moderator of Orange Presbytery.

CHASE BERNIZER

Was born February 21, 1892, at Greensboro, N. C. His father was A. Bernizer and his mother was before her wedding Miss Frances Gilmer, a daughter of Hon. John A. Gilmer, a member of the Confederate Congress.

He graduated from Davidson College, 1890. Seven years later he studied law at Chapel Hill and was admitted to the bar in 1898. He began practice in Charlotte as an associate of F. M. Shannanhouse. Two years later this firm was dissolved and for the past three years he has practiced alone. He was presidential elector in 1904. He is attorney for the Mutual Building and Loan Association of Charlotte, and secretary and attorney of the Eastern Life Insurance Co.

He is a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity and an Odd Fellow.

JUDGE JAMES EDMUND BOYD

Was born in Orange now Alamance county, N. C., in 1845. His father was Archibald H. Boyd, an architect who was also a large land owner and agriculturalist.

His mother was Miss Margaret Wetherly Brannock, a daughter of Edmond Brannock, a planter.

He was educated in Graham Academy and Davidson College. He studied law in 1866 in the office of Colonel Thomas Ruffin, at Graham, the county seat of Alamance County, and was admitted June 1868 to practice in the Quarter Courts of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, and to all the Courts June 1869. He first practiced alone in Graham until 1897. He moved to Greensboro in 1883 where he has since lived.

He represented the County of Al-

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amance in the state legislature in 1874-5 and was a delegate to the Constitutional Convention from that County in 1875. He was appointed United States District Attorney by President Hayes June 1880 and served until June 1885. In May 1897 he was made Assistant United States Attorney General.

In July 1900 was appointed United States District Judge of the Western District of North Carolina.

He was an alderman of Greensboro in 1892-3 and Mayor of that City in 1894-5.

He married Miss Sallie Holt, a daughter of Dr. Michael W. Holt in 1867.

He is a Mason and an Elk, and has been high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter.

He served in the Confederate Army as a member of the 13th N. C. Infantry from July 1861 until Oct. 1st 1862, and from December 1st, 1863 to the surrender as a member of the 1st Regiment N. C. Cavalry. By the first Confederate Conscript Act he was discharged as being under the legel age of 18 years.

WILLIAM D. HILLIARD, M. D.

Was born in Asheville, March 11, 1858, a son of Dr. Wm. L. Hilliard, who practiced medicine in Asheville for over 40 years and died October 11, 1890. His mother was before her marriage, Miss Margaret E. Love, a daughter of Col. James R. Love.

Dr. Hilliard was educated at Col. Stephen Lee's High School. He studied medicine with his father in fall of 1876 and entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa., graduating in class of 1878. Practiced with his father until 1881. Resigned his partnership in 1882 to accept position of assistant superintendent of Western North Carolina Insane Asylum at Morganton, N. C. He resigned this position in 1884 to return to his Asheville practice.

He was local surgeon for the Richmond & Danville and Southern Railways for over twenty years. Was assistant surgeon general of North Carolina for four years. Was for several years coroner of Buncombe county, and is consulting physician of Mission Hospital staff.

He is a Mason, a Knight Templar, an Odd Fellow and a member of the American Medical Society.

In 1884 he was married to Miss Mary Duffield ,of Norfolk, Va., and has one child, a married daughter.

ROBERT TERELIUS GRAY

Was born in Randolph county, June 3, 1848. His father was Robert Gray, a merchant of Winston, N. C., and his mother Miss Mary Willis Wiley, a daughter of Samuel Wiley, a farmer.

He was educated at Bingham school and the University of Virginia. He read law under Judge Pearson, at Richmond Hill, and was licensed in 1872. He moved to Raleigh in 1873, and was associate editor of the Christian Advocate. He resumed the practice of law in Raleigh in 1875 and in 1876 became associated with E. R. Stamps; in 1888 the firm became Strong, Gray & Stamps, by the addition of the late George V. Strong. Upon the death of Mr. Stamps in 1891, Mr. Gray practiced alone until 1899, when he associated with him his son, R. L. Gray, the firm name being R. T. and R. L. Gray. In 1904 his son became connected with the staff of the Raleigh News and Observer and since that year he has practiced alone.

He was city attorney for Raleigh for 8 years and director in the State Normal and Industrial College and of the University of North Carolina. For 5 years he was Supreme Court reporter and edited eleven volumes of reports covering period from 1893 to 1899. He is a Mason and an Odd Fellow and is a member of the Methodist church and the Leta Psi fraternity.

He married Miss Caro Lilly, a daughter of E. J. Lilly, a merchant and banker of Fayetteville, N. C., and is the father of three children, one son and two daughters. Attorney for the Cape Fear Railroad and has been a director in several banks and attorney for various corporations.

GEORGE H. KING

Was born in Lenoir county, December 4, 1866. His father was a minister of the Free Will Baptist church, and a merchant. His mother was Miss Susan A. Abbott, whose father was a farmer of Lenoir county.

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After the family moved to Durham, Mr. King became an apprentice on the Durham "Recorder" in 1882, and once having got the mysterious fluid printer's ink on his fingers, stuck to this line of business ever since, and is now one of the most successful publishers in the state. He started the Durham Herald eleven years ago, October, 1894, as editor in chief and has been in charge of the paper until now. Under his management it has become one of the most reliable and profitable publications in North Carolina. The paper, like its editor, has always been independent in politics.

Mr. King married Miss Lillian Rennington, daughter of W. F. Rennington, a contractor and builder of Durham, N. C., and is the father of three daughters. He is a Mason and a member of the Methodist church.

RUFUS McPHERSON

December 25, 1867. His father was Robert McPherson, a farmer and miller. His mother was Miss Jane E. Templeton, a daughter of G. Templeton, of Mooresville. He graduated from Davidson College in class of 1890. He taught school for three years after leaving college at Bain Academy, near Charlotte. He then went with the New York Life Insurance Company under the general agency of Church & Love and was with them continually until May 1, 1901, when he was made Agency Director for New York Life for Eastern North Carolina.

He married Miss Helen O. Primrose, daughter of W. S. Primrose, of Raleigh, on August 6, 1904, and has a son.

He is a member of the Capitol Club, the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, the K. of P. and the Presbyterian church.

ROBERT DICK DOUGLAS

Was born April 7, 1875. He is a son of Judge R. M. Douglas. His mother before her marriage was Miss Jessie Madeline Dick, daughter of Judge Robert P. Dick, of Greensboro.

He graduated from Georgetown University in class of 1896 and was admitted to the bar February 1, 1897, and succeeded to his father's practice when the latter was elected to the Supreme court bench in that year. He was appointed Attorney General of North Carolina in 1900 by Governor Russell, to succeed Z. V. Walser, resigned, when 25 years of age. He returned to Greensboro at the expiration of the term and resumed his practice and was for a time a partner in the firm of Adams & Douglas, being associated with Judge Spencer B. Adams. He is now junior member of the firm of Douglas & Douglas.

He is director and attorney of the Greensboro Loan and Trust Company, director in Greensboro Chamber of Commerce, vice-president of the North Carolina Children's Home Society, Republican county chairman of Guilford county. A member of the board of governors of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Club and Elks' Club of Greensboro and vice-president of the National Fireman's Association. Recently he was made secretary and treasurer of the Industrial Publishing Company, and editor in chief of the Industrial News, in which capacity he has shown considerable ability.

HON. R. M. DOUGLAS

Was born January 20, 1847, in Rockingham county, on his ancestral plantation, known as "The Martin Place." His father is Hon. Stephen A. Douglas, U. S. Senator and candidate for President in 1860 against Abraham Lincoln. His mother was Miss Martha Martin, daughter of Colonel Robert Martin, of Rockingham county.

He graduated from Georgetown University as A. B., in 1867, and has since been made A. M. and LL. D.

On June 23, 1874, he married Miss Jessie M. Dick, daughter of U. S. District Judge Robert P. Dick. He was private secretary to the Governor of North Carolina in 1868 and a colonel of militia from 1868 to 1871. Secretary to President U. S. Grant from 1869 to 1873 U. S. marshall for North Carolina; from 1873 to 1883 Master in Chancery U. S. Circuit Court; from 1888 to 1896 Associate Justice of the Supreme court of North Carolina from January 1, 1897 to 1905, when he returned to practice of the law in Greensboro with his son Robert Dick Douglas, the firm style being Douglas & Douglas.

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gate to the Universal Congress of Lawyers and Jurists at St. Louis during the World's Fair and delivered a brief address on the Extra Territorial Effect of Divorce. In 1893 he delivered an address at Chicago World's Fair before the Catholic Columbia Congress on the subject "Trade Combinations and Strikes." At last Republican State convention was renominated by acclamation as judge of the Supreme court.

He has been a delegate to various political conventions both state and national. In 1868, when only 19 years of age he was invited by the National Republican committee to canvass the state of Pennsylvania, but felt too young and confined his canvass to North Carolina. He was then private secretary to Governor Holden.

The impeachment of Judges Douglas and Furchees for issuing a mandamus to enforce a judgment of the court and their acquittal on every charge is too recent to need comment. He has published considerable literature on historical economic and social questions. He is a member of the Catholic church and a trustee of the Catholic orphanage near Raleigh. He is a director of the Guilford Battle Ground Co.

SAMUEL SYLVANUS McNINCH

Was born at Chester, South Carolina, February 3, 1867. His parents removed to Charlotte, N. C., in his early infancy, where his life has been spent. He is of Scotch-Irish lineage, that sturdy race that is so closely identified with every critical period in the history of North and South Carolina. His father was Franklin A. McNinch, a marble dealer and contractor, a native of South Carolina. His mother was Miss Sarah Virginia Ramsay, a native of Iredell county, North Carolina.

His father was prominent in the public affairs of Charlotte during his lifetime, and was said by his comrades in arms during the war between the states to have been one of the bravest line officers in the Confederate service.

Mr. McNinch has from his earliest years been an extremely hard worker, and has displayed unusual business accumen. His executive ability and capacity to handle large and varied matters have stamped him as a man of much versatality as well as unflagging energy.

He received his early training in the Barrier Military School, the able principal of which had a large influence in his developing the minds of the youth of Charlotte. He studied law at the early age of fifteen for one year, but grew weary at the thought of the long wait he would have until the legal age of admission, twenty-one years was attained, therefore, in modern phrase, he decided to go to "hustling" right away and obtained a position as deputy clerk of the Superior court at the age of sixteen years. So far as is known he holds the record as having been the youngest man to occupy that position. As deputy clerk he became fully posted on all county records and court processes, which gave him an opportunity of gaining a fund of legal information which equipped him to deal with the legal propositions that ordinarily confront a business man, and this information was further supplemented by knowledge gained while subsequently occupying a position in the office of the Register of Deeds.

At twenty years of age his unusual executive ability had made itself so evident that he was made manager of the firm of Springs & Burwell, which, upon the dissolution of the firm in 1887 by the death of Mr. Edmund Burwell, he carried on for Mr. Eli B. Springs until 1891, making it one of the very largest fertilizer and wholesale grocery concerns Charlotte ever had up to that time.

From 1891 he was associated with his former employer as a partner until 1896, when he purchased a half interest in the business, the firm's name changing to S. S. McNinch & Co., Mr. Springs retiring from active participation, and becoming the "company," or silent partner in the new firm. Under this partnership the firm did the largest wholesale and retail fertilizer business ever carried on in this section, covering seventeen counties and shipping thousands of tons through its agencies, and also doing a tremendous business in farming implements, cotton storage as well as fertilizers. In 1904 Mr. McNinch sold out his interest in his old business, and bought out the interests of former associates in the Charlotte Brick Works, a plant with a capacity of 75,000 bricks per day, and producing a fine quality of brick.

Mr. McNinch has also large real

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SAMUEL SYLVANUS McNINCH

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estate holdings, and estimates that he has made as much out of his realty operations as his other business transactions, in all of which he has been wonderfully successful, not one failure having occurred in his entire business career. Every enterprise he has touched has been a pronounced success.

But he has not confined his entire attention to his private business. For six years past he has been a member of the Charlotte Board of Aldermen, for four of which he has been mayor pro tem; and at the election last May, following a hard fight for prohibition, he was elected mayor without opposition. The municipal fights in past elections have been extremely bitter in Charlotte and Mayor McNinch is trying hard to remove old animosities and generally relieve this strained condition of affairs. He was an active and influential advocate of prohibition for Charlotte and takes especial pride in the fact that he is mayor under prohibition regime, and also that he is well liked by the masses of the people. Of the six years he served on the board, he was not only honored as mayor pro tem, but was made chairman of the police committee, and chairman of the street committee. He has always been a dominant element in the board, and has been able to use considerable political influence in the naming of county and state officers, and legislative representatives, as well as city officials.

He was married in 1886 at the age of twenty-one years and six months to Miss Julia Irene Magill, who was also a native of Chester, South Carolina. Their union has been blessed by five children, two boys and three girls.

He is a member and elder of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church, known as the Scotch Psalm Singers, as becomes his parentage. He is a popular member of the Manufacturers' Club, and is well liked socially for his easy, considerate manners, and thoughtfulness of the needs and pleasures of his friends.

He is a trustee of Carnegie library and of Florence Crittenden Home and has always taken a deep interest in all charities in Charlotte.

GEORGE FRANKLIN NEWMAN

Was born November 20, 1877. His father was Junius Henry Newman, of Guilford county. He moved to Greensboro in 1897, and was for some time connected with the grocery store of John A. Hodges. In 1898 he went with the Southern Railway as delivery clerk and cashier at the Greensboro depot. On May 1st, 1905, he was elected, by the board of directors, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Greensboro.

He is an Odd Fellow.

In January, 1901, he was married to Miss Pearl Smith, daughter of S. N. Smith, of Greensboro.

CAPTAIN JOHN WALKER FRY

Was born in Richmond, Va., June 13, 1854. His father was John J. Fry, a well known merchant and superintendent of the gas works of Richmond. His mother was Miss Mary Lewis, daughter of James Howell Lewis, of Albemarle county, Va. He was educated at the Norwood school, Va. His first employment was in the engineering corps of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway, in West Virginia for two years; next on the Carolina Central in North Carolina, on construction work for two years. He was then engaged in engineering work in the city of Manchester, Va., one year. He returned to the railroad employment and was in roadway and bridge department for the Richmond & Danville for two years, with headquarters at Reidsville and Greensboro. He then became superintendent of the Greenville & Columbia Railroad, headquarters at Columbia, S. C., and then superintendent of the East Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia Railroad with headquarters in Atlanta, Ga., for two and one-half years, after which he became superintendent of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad, with headquarters at Mobile, Ala., for one year, when he was made general manager of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad with headquarters at Greensboro, and continued in this capacity for twelve years, until the road was sold and divided between the Atlantic Coast Line and the Southern Railway. In December, 1898, he organized the Greensboro Loan & Trust Company, and has been president of that institution since 1899. He was one of the organizers of the Greensboro Life Insurance Company, of which he is president, and is president of the

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Greensboro Furniture Manufacturing Company.

Capt. Fry has been twice married. His first wife was Miss Annie Gray, of Greensboro, daughter of Col. Julius A. Gray. His second wife was Miss Nannie Caldwell, daughter of Walter P. Caldwell, of Greensboro. He is the father of three daughters. He is a deacon in the First Presbyterian church.

Capt. Fry has been one of Greensboro's most energetic public-spirited and progressive business men, and his life has had decided forceful influence on the development of that city's commercial prosperity.

J. FRAZIER GLENN

Was born February 6, 1875, in Buncombe county, and is a son of the Hon. M. S. Glenn, member of the Board of County Commissioners of Buncombe county. He received his early training in the public schools of the county of Buncombe and city of Asheville; later he attended Bingham School, entering in the year 1897, and graduated from the University of North Carolina in class of 1902 with the degree of L. L. B. He received his license to practice law in February, 1903; he then attended Jennings Business College at Nashville, Tenn., graduating from said college in April, 1903, and established a law office in Asheville the first of May, 1903, and has since been very successful in the practice of his profession. He was nominated for the State Legislature by acclamation by the Democratic party and was elected to said office in November, 1904, by a majority of 625. In the Legislature he opposed the passage of a bill instituting a liquor dispensary in the city of Asheville without first referring it to a vote of the people. His position was vindicated at the polls in an election held April 6, 1905, when the dispensary proposition was defeated by an overwhelming popular vote. He introduced the Australian Ballot Bill, and a bill to establish a reformatory for juvenile offenders, but owing to the lateness of the session, neither bill received full attention. He was a very attentive member and always very conservative in all matters which were presented to the Legislature. He has been very active in the practice of his profession since his return from the Legislature.

He was married to Miss Eunice W. Farmer, a daughter of Mr. W. E. Farmer, of Wilson, North Carolina, on the 19th day of December, 1905. His wife is a charming young woman and of one of the best and most influential families of Wilson, N. C.

JOHN STEELE HENDERSON

Was born in Salisbury, January 6, 1846. His father was Archibald Henderson, a farmer and member of the Council of State under Governors Reid and Bragg, a magistrate and a man of influence in the Democratic party of ante bellum days, as well as a person of literary attainments, being a great reader and student.

His mother was Miss Mary Ferrand, a daughter of Dr. Stephen Lee Ferrand, a prominent physician.

He was educated in Salisbury and at Dr. Alexander Wilson's Classical school in Alamance county; and at the University of North Carolina until November, 1864, when he entered the Confederate service, Company B, Tenth regiment, North Carolina State troops and served until the end of the war, surrendering at Greensboro in May, 1865, with Johnson's army. He was first with Lee but later at Fort Branch, N. C., joined Johnson's army and surrendered with that commander.

After the war he began the study of the law under Hon. Nathaniel Boyden and Judge R. M. Pearson, and got his Superior Court license in June, 1866, and began practice in Salisbury in January, 1867. He practiced alone until 1874, when he formed a partnership with Luke Blachmer, under the style of Blachmer & Henderson. He continued with this firm until he was elected to Congress in 1884. He served in Congress for five terms. He was on the Judiciary Committee in the Fiftieth Congress and chairman of the Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads in the Fifty-Second and Fifty-Third Congresses, when the Rural Free Delivery was first broached, and the first appropriation of ten thousand dollars was made under his championship. He went out of Congress on the 4th of March, 1895, and returned to the practice of his profession at Salisbury.

In June, 1866, he was appointed

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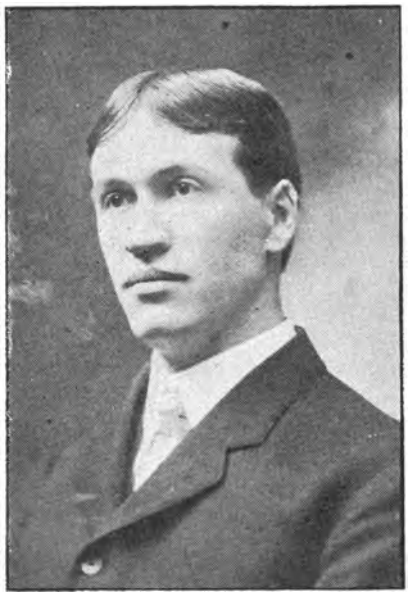

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Register of Deeds for Rowan county, but resigned in 1868 in order to devote himself to his law practice exclusively. In 1871 he was elected a member of the constitutional convention. In 1872 he declined nomination to the State Legislature. In 1875, elected member of the constitutional convention. In 1876 was elected a member of the House of Representatives in the State Legislature. In 1878 was electtd a member of the State Senate. In 1881 he was a member of the court commission to codify laws of North Carolina. In 1883 he was appointed director of Western North Carolina Asylum. In June, 1884, he was elected presiding justice of the Inferior court of Rowan county. In 1900 he was elected to the State Senate and re-elected in 1902.

The degree of LL. D. was conferred on him by Trinity College June, 1890. He is now a member of the County Board of Education of Rowan county, and of the graded school committee. He has served on the water works commission and on the Salisbury board of aldermen.

He has taken an active part in every legislative body of which he has been a member, especially along the lines of better educational advantages for the people and is probably the author of more laws now on the statute books of North Carolina than any other living man. In Congress the main subjects that attracted his attention were the tariff and internal revenue, he favoring a low tariff and the amelioration of the hardships of the internal revenue laws. Introducing bills and making speeches to get the people relieved from some of the exactions and oppressions of the revenue laws and to stop the arrests continually going on and the destruction of distilleries. He was a member of the general convention twice. In 1880 was a delegate to the National Convention.

He delivered a speech at Lincolnton on the tariff at the opening of the campaign in 1902 which was published all over the state and regarded as the keynote of the campaign of that year. He has always been in the front ranks in the politics of North Carolina, and has exerted a beneficial influence upon the material upbuilding of the state. He was instrumental in having the Southern Railway shops located at Salisbury and in seeing that the development of the Yadkin valley was not obstructed, acting with ability and success as attorney for the North Carolina Power Company, and its successor, the Whitney Company.

He married Miss Bessie B. Cain, a daughter of Dr. William Cain, of Hillsboro, whose mother was a daughter of Judge John L. Bailey. The wedding took place in Asheville, June 30, 1874. They have two sons, Archibald Henderson, who is associate professor of mathematics at the University of North Carolina, and a highly cultivated literary man; and John Steele Henderson, an electrical engineer in the employ of the Westinghouse Co. at Baltimore.

Their two daughters, Bessie and Mary, are both unmarried.

REV. CHAS. BANKS KING, A. M.

Was born in Giles county, Va., October 19, 1859. His father was Charles Banks King, a farmer of Giles county, who died when his son Charles Banks was four weeks old. His mother before her marriage was Miss Elizabeth Jane Martin.

Mr. King graduated from Roanoke College 1883, and from the Theological Seminary of Gettysburg, Penn., in 1886. His early education was obtained at the Asbury Academy. He entered the freshman class at college. Although he spent four years in the preparatory schools, four years in college and three years in the seminary, he never missed a single day during the entire eleven years of his school and college career. After leaving the Theological Seminary he served six months as supply in St. Paul's Lutheran church, Williamsport, Pa., in the absence of the pastor, Rev. S. P. Hughes. From Williamsport he went to Salisbury, N. C., as pastor of St. John's Lutheran church. After a service of ten years he resigned the Salisbury church to build and establish Elizabeth College at Charlotte, N. C., in 1897, and has been president of that institution ever since; the aim of which is to give a liberal education to young women. The standard is on a par with the Southern universities for men. The boarding capacity is intentionally limited to one hundred students, and about the same number of day students attend. The college is situated in a campus of twenty acres. There are twenty-three in the faculty. The athletic equipment of

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the institution is exceptionally good.

President King was married in 1889 to Miss Annie Watts, of Baltimore, Md., a sister of Geo. W. Watts, of Durham, N. C., who has given substantial material aid to the college.

Mr. King is the father of five children, two girls and three boys.

WILLIAM MORGAN YEARBY

Was born in Raleigh, in 1867, a son of L. M. Yearby, a merchant of that place. His mother was Miss Sarah Green, a daughter of William Green, a farmer of Durham county. He began his business career as a drug clerk in Durham, and was registered by the State Board about twenty-two years ago. He moved to Durham, N. C., in 1881, where he is now in business for himself, and is one of the most popular citizens of that progressive town.

He was city alderman one term; is vice-president and director of the Merchants' Bank, and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

He is a K. of P. and Mason, also a member of the Royal Arcanum and Trinity Methodist church.

Previous to going into business he served with Doctor A. G. Carr, of Durham, for six years and with Vaughan and Tenny three years.

He married Miss Minnie Mangum, a daughter of J. S. Mangum, of Durham.

HARRIS R. WILCOX

Was born in Brussels, Belgium, December 10, 1862. His father was Professor Wilcox, of the University of Georgia, at Athens, Ga., where Mr. Wilcox spent his boyhood. He graduated from the University of Georgia in 1883, with first honors and took a post graduate course in civil and mining engineering. His mother was Miss Mary Frances Smyth, of Georgia, before her marriage.

During his college days he was a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity and the Phi Kappa literary Society. He was assistant state chemist of Georgia for several years, and later assistant principal of the South West Georgia Agricultural College at Cuthbert, Ga., a branch of the University of Georgia, where he taught for a year and a half. After a lecture before the Georgia Teachers' Association he was invited to take charge of the scientific department of the Savannah Public schools, an offer which he declined. About 1888 he removed to Birmingham, Ala., and engaged in the insurance business. In 1891 he was forced to leave Birmingham because of his health, and entered the service of the Mutual Life Insurance Co., of New York, having previously been local agent for the company in Birmingham. He was later appointed manager of the office department for the South of the North British Fire Insurance Co., and about three years later was made southern special agent for that company. He next became general agent for the Rochester German Fire Ins. Co., with headquarters in Atlanta. He then in 1901 returned to his old love, the Mutual Life of New York, as assistant general agent for Alabama, with headquarters in Montgomery.

January 1, 1902, he was appointed manager of North Carolina for the Mutual Life, with headquarters in Charlotte. He married Miss Evelyn Byrd Randolph, of Montgomery, and has one child, a son. He is president of the North Carolina Life Underwriters Association. He is a member of the Southern Manufacturers' Club and the Colonial Club, and St. Peters Episcopal church, Charlotte. He is as popular socially as he has been successful in his business career.

JAMES JOSEPH FARRISS

Was born in Raleigh, N. C., September 28th, 1864. He is a son of C. M. Farriss, who was for twenty-five years a merchant tailor in Raleigh. His mother was Miss Julia A. Carter, a daughter of John Carter, a merchant of Petersburg, Va. He was educated at Wake Forest College. His first employment before attending college was as private secretary of Col. L. C. Jones, on the old Cape Fear Railroad.

After leaving college he moved to High Point, and entered the journalistic profession, buying the "High Point Enterprise" in 1889, and has been successfully publishing it ever since. The business has grown from the day he took charge until the plant alone now represents an investment of $17,000. He is a also a stockholder

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in several of the manufacturing plants of High Point.

In 1901 with Messrs. H. W. Kronheimer and Wilber Jones he founded the Southern Furniture Journal, now the largest trade journal in the South.

He has been twice married. His first wife was Miss Laura Stamey, daughter of Rev. P. F. W. Stamey, who died in 1901. His second wife was Miss Nan Wood, daughter of the Rev. Dr. F. H. Wood, of Trinity, N. C., who he married in 1904. He has one child, a son.

He is a Mason, K. of P., an Odd Fellow, Jr. O. U. A. M., and a member of the First Baptist Church, of High Point.

He began his journalistic career when eighteen years of age under Captain R. A. Shotwell, of Raleigh, and did work on the Progressive Farmer and the News and Observer, and learned the practical part of the printing business with Edwards & Broughton, of Raleigh. His paper has always eschewed politics and devoted its chief influence to upbuilding of the manufacturing interests of High Point. He began the publication of the Daily Enterprise in September, 1904.

DANIEL BRANSON COLTRANE

Was born in Randolph county, December 25, 1842. His father was Kelly Coltrane, a farmer of Randolph county, and his mother was Miss Mary Gossett, a daughter of Thomas Gossett, a farmer. He was educated in the common schools of Randolph and Guilford counties. His first business experience was as a photographer at Miami, Mo., in 1868. He continued in this business for several years at Marshall, Mo. He studied watchmaking and jewelry through an instructor and pursued this line for about five years and then went into the First National Bank at Marshall, Mo., as assistant cashier, continuing in that position until 1887, when he moved to Concord, N. C., and opened the Concord National Bank, of which he was made cashier, a position he still holds. He is also president of the Norwood Manufacturing Company, of Norwood, N. C., also of the Linn Mills at Landis, N. C., and of the North Carolina Advocate Publishing Company. He is a director in the Odell Manufacturing Company of Concord, and the Southern Cotton Mills at Bessemer City, N. C., and in the Stanley County Loan and Trust Company, of Albemarle, N. C. He has been chairman of the graded school board of Concord for fourteen years. He is a Mason, a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., and the Methodist church and a member of the book committee of the M. E. Church, South.

He has been twice married; his first wife was Miss Ella Van Ice, a daughter of Isaac Van Ice, a wagon manufacturer of Arrowrock, Mo. At her death she left two children; the daughter is Mrs. Dr. Garrison, of Bessemer City, N. C., and a son, L. D. Coltrane, assistant cashier of the Concord National Bank.

His second wife was Miss Mariam Winslow, of Carrolton, Ky., a daughter of Judge William Beverly Winslow, by whom he has four daughters. the eldest of whom, Miss Jennie W. Coltrane, is a student at Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va.

WYATT JACKSON ARMFIELD

Was born November 25th, 1843, on Deep River, in Guilford County, North Carolina. His father was Richard Beeson Armfield, a farmer, and his mother was Miss Ann Chipman, a daughter of James Chipman, a farmer of Guilford County. He was born on a farm continuously owned by the Armfield's since 1760 when they obtained the original grant from the lord's proprietors.

He was educated in a school conducted by Nereus Mendenhall, a civil engineer who traveled extensively in Yucatan and Mexico, and taught school at Deep River church, Guilford county, established by the Quakers before the revolution; also at Oak Ridge Institute.

At the breaking out of the war he was too young to serve in the army, but started out soon after the cessation of hostilities selling fruit and ornamental trees, representing various nurseries and soon entered business on his own account and had agents travelling every state from Texas to Canada.

He married Miss Jennie Britt, a daughter of Colonel Wm. O. Britt, of West Tennessee, December 20th, 1868, and is the father of four sons and two daughters, Eugene M. Armfield, cash-

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ier of the National Bank, of High Point and president of the Bank of Alamance, N. C., president of the Bank of Thomasville, N. C., W. J. Armfield, Jr., cashier of the Bank of Randolph at Ashboro and president of the Bank of Montgomery at Troy, N. C.; J. L. Armfield, cashier of the Bank of Thomasville, and W. Frank Armfield, associated with Armfield & Armfield, in the insurance business at High Point; Miss Blanche, now Mrs. R. T. Pickens of Lexington, N. C.; Lucille, now Mrs. Frank Armfield, a leading attorney and her cousin of Monroe, N. C. Mrs. Armfield has traveled abroad considerably, and is the author of a book of poems entitled "Songs from the Carolina Hills."

W. J. Armfield was engaged in the banking business thirty years ago as a director in the National Bank of Greensboro in 1886, and was the leading spirit in the organization of the National Bank of High Point, and was elected president of that institution, a position he still holds.

In 1897 he with his sons organized the Bank of Randolph at Ashboro, he becoming vice-president. He is the largest individual stockholder in three banks and a director in ten other state banks which he and his sons have organized in the Piedmont section of North Carolina. He is at present interested in the formation of the Carolina Life Insurance Company and the Fire Insurance Company of North Carolina, with $100,000.00 capital each.

He is largely interested in stocks, bonds and loans on his own personal account and during his entire business career has never given a note, never indorsed but one, and never overdrawn his bank account.

JAMES FRANKLIN McCUBBINS

Was born April 26, 1863. He is a son of Jas. S. McCubbins, a farmer who was also a merchant and register of deeds in Iredell county and treasurer of Rowan county, mayor of Salisbury and represented Rowan county in the State Legislature four times. His mother was Margaret Bell, a daughter of Samuel R. Bell, a merchant of Statesville. He attended school in Statesville and Lenoir and attended Davidson College for three years. His first business was merchandising with his father until 1887. He then went into the cotton business under the firm name of Ross & McCubbins, at Salisbury and remained in this line until 1902, when he was elected clerk of the court of Rowan county. He was for four years chairman of the Board of County Commissioners.

He is a Mason, an Elk and a K. of P., and was district deputy from 1892 to 1896. He has been twice married. His first wife was Miss Minnie Krider, a daughter of Sheriff C. C. Krider, who lived only one year after her wedding. His second wife was Miss Mamie Gaskill, a daughter of John D. D. Gaskill, a merchant and the largest tobacco manufacturer in Salisbury at the time of his death.

They have one daughter.

Mr. McCubbins is a stockholder in several banks and industrial institutions.

WILLIAM THEODORE MORGAN

Was born in Rutherford county, January 30, 1871. He is a son of Albert F. Morgan, a farmer, ex-member of the county board of education and was a few years ago a candidate for the State Senate against Judge M. H. Justice. His mother was Miss Sophie Hemphill, a daughter of John Hemphill, of Rutherford county.

He was educated at Judson College, Fairview Institute and Rutherford College, from which he graduated. He was admitted to the bar in the fall of 1896 from Judge Avery's law school in Morganton. He first practiced in Morganton for one year, after which, in February, 1898, he moved to Marion, N. C., and was first associated with Jas. Morris, the firm name being Morris & Morgan; this association continued for four years, when partnership was dissolved and Mr. Morgan and Col. P. J. Sinclair formed the firm of Sinclair & Morgan. On March 5, 1905 Mr. Morgan withdrew from this firm and since that date has practiced alone.

He is attorney for the McDowell Building and Loan Association of Marion and the McDowell Land and Trust Co., and general practitioner in all the courts.

He is a K. of P. and past chancellor of Mt. Ada Lodge, No. 158, of Marion. In January, 1904, he organized and was the first president of the Catawba Club, a social and business organization, and is now a member of its board of governors.

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JOHN BASCOM SHERRILL

Was born in Alexander county on February 23d, 1864, and is a son of the late Rev. M. V. Sherrill, a Methodist minister whose ministerial service covered a period of thirty years. His mother was Miss Martha J. Douglas, a daughter of David Douglas, a farmer of Iredell county. He was educated under Professor W. M. Brooks, of Olin, N. C., his brother-in-law, until he was eighteen years of age.

He began his career in the newspaper field when he was sixteen years of age, editing an amateur paper at Olin in 1880. Later was on the staff of the Lenoir Topic. In 1885 he removed to Concord, and bought out a half interest in the Concord Times, a year later buying the other half interest. In June, 1887, bought out the Concord Register and consolidated the two papers. In 1902 he bought out the Standard, and consolidated it with the Times. The Concord Times has been conducted in connection with a large job office, and the plant prints eight or ten other papers beside its own.

He is secretary and treasurer of the North Carolina Press Association, and has been for sixteen successive years. He was post master of Concord for four years during Cleveland's first administration, and a member of the graded school board.

He married Miss Anna Montgomery a daughter of Judge W. J. Montgomery, and has four children, three daughters and a son.

He is a steward of the Central Methodist Church, of Concord.

EDWARD BOST CLINE

Was born in Newton, N. C., April 17, 1866, a son of Michael Lee Cline, a merchant and clerk of the Superior court of Catawba county and mayor of Hickory and for several terms a county commissioner.

His mother was Miss Laura Naomi Bost, a daughter of Major Joseph Bost, a farmer of Catawba county, and a colonel in the Confederate service.

Mr. Cline was educated in Catawba College, N. C., and at the University of North Carolina, graduating from the latter with the class of 1886. He studied law with Colonel Geo. N. Folk at Col. Folk's beautiful country seat, Riverside, in Caldwell county, and was admitted to the bar in 1889. He returned to Colonel Folk for some special reading and opened an office in 1890. He first formed a partnership with his brother, F. L. Cline, who died one year later, and has practiced alone since 1891. He was mayor of Hickory for three terms.

Now represents First National Bank of Hickory, First Building and Loan Association, Hickory Manufacturing Co., Hickory Novelty Co., and several other local corporations. He is also a director in several furniture companies and in the Thornton Light and Power Co. He is a deacon and chairman of the building committee of the First Presbyterian church.

He married Miss Frances Ferguson, daughter of Mrs. Alice C. Ferguson, of Greenville, S. C., and the late Major Thomas B. Ferguson, the youngest major in the Confederate cavalry service.

CHARLES ELISHA TAYLOR, JR.

Was born at Wake Forest, N. C., July 15, 1874. He is a son of Dr. Charles E. Taylor, president of Wake Forest College. His mother before her marriage was Miss Mary Hinton Pritchard, a daughter of Dr. John L. Pritchard, a minister of the Baptist church, who lost his life while heroically attempting to succor those stricken by the yellow fever epidemic at Wilmington in 186—, and himself fell a victim to the disease.

Mr. Taylor was graduated from Wake Forest in class of 1904. He began his business career as a bookkeeper in the general offices of the Southern Railway Co. at Washington, D. C., in 1895. After remaining there one year he went to Orange, Va., where he taught in the Woodbury Forest High School during 1896 and 1897. He moved to Wilmington in 1897, when he became secretary to the president of the Atlantic National Bank of Wilmington and remained with that institution in several capacities until 1900, when he was made cashier of the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company. When he became connected with that institution in 1900 it had on deposit $450,000, and the stock sold at $175 per share. Now, in 1905, the individual deposits amount to $1,509,500.18, which is more than in

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any North Carolina bank, and the stock sells at $750.00 a share, which is twice as high as any other bank in the state.

He married Miss Lola Lamar Martin, a daughter of Mr. Wm. A. Martin, of Wilmington, and has one daughter. He is a member of the Cape Fear Club, the Cape Fear Golf Club and the Carolina Yacht Club.

He is a Mason and an Odd Fellow and an Elk. His successful business career is explained by his aptitude for and attention to all the details of the banking business. His uniform courtesy has made many warm personal friends for him among the citizens of Wilmington, and he is highly thought of among all classes.

L. L. HOBBS

Was born May 17, 1849, a son of Lewis Hobbs, who was a teacher and farmer. His mother was Miss Phoebe Cook, a daughter of Isaac Cook, a noted mechanic. He was educated at New Garden Boarding School, which has since become Guilford College. and at Haverford College, Pa. Since his graduation in 1876 he has been a teacher and is now president of Guilford College. He is a member of the Friends' church and is presiding clerk of North Carolina Yearly Meeting.

He married Miss Mary Mendenhall, a daughter of Dr. Nereus Mendenhall, a distinguished civil engineer and teacher. He has five children, Walter M., Louis L., Allan Wilson, Richard J. M., and Gertrude M. Hobbs, all in school except the first named.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS

Born in Washington, N. C., May 18, 1862. Educated Wilson Collegiate Institute, Wilson, N. C., and took special course at University of North Carolina.

At age of 18 became editor of the Wilson Advance and later was also co-editor of Kinston Free Press. In October, 1885, moved to Raleigh. as editor of the State Chronicle which he published until 1892, when he sold the paper. In 1893-4 he was chief clerk of the Department of the Interior at Washington, D. C. In August, 1894, purchased the controlling interest in the Raleigh News and Observer and continues as editor of that paper and president of the company.

Elected State Printer in 1887, 1889, 1891 and 1893.

President North Carolina Press Association in 1885. President Raleigh Chamber of Commerce 1903. Member in 1892 Raleigh Public School Board. Elected member National Democratic executive committee in 1896, 1900 and 1904. Delegate to National Convention and member state, county and city Democratic executive committees.

Trustee of the University of North Carolina and member of the executive committee of the board of trustees of that institution, in which he takes deep interest.

Publisher The North Carolina Year Book. Author of book, "Life of Worth Bagley" and "Jefferson's Contributions to the Free Press."

Married in May, 1888, Miss Addie Worth Bagley, daughter of the late Maj. Wm. H. Bagley, and has four boys.

CLYDE ROARK HOEY

Was born December 11, 1877, at Shelby. His father was S. A. Hoey, a carpenter and magistrate in Shelby. His mother was Miss Mary Roark, a daughter of Reece Roark, a farmer. He was educated in the public schools and in Bell's Military Institute in Shelby. He took the law course at the University of North Carolina, and was licensed in October, 1899. He practiced alone in Shelby until January 1, 1904, when he formed a partnership with R. L. Ryburn under the style of Ryburn & Hoey. The firm does a general practice and represents several of the local corporations. He was a member of the Legislature in 1899 and 1901 and of the State Senate in 1903, and has been chairman of the Democratic executive committee of Cleveland county for four years and member of the state committee two years. He was a delegate to the National Democratic convention in 1904 at St. Louis from the 9th Congressional District. His career is remarkable for its brilliance and precociousness. He was elected a member of the House of Representatives in the State Legislature before he was twenty-one, but became of age in time to be sworn

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in, and was later elected to the Senate before he was twenty-five years old, but reached the legal age just in time to take the oath. He has been editor of the Cleveland Star since he was sixteen years old, and has run the circulation up from 500 to 3,000 subscribers.

He married Miss Bessie Gardner, a daughter of the late Dr. O. P. Gardner, on March 22, 1900, and has two sons.

RICHARD HENRY BATTLE, LL. D.

Was born in the town of Louisburg, N. C., December 3, 1835. His father was Hon. William H. Battle, LL. D., a judge of the Superior and Supreme courts of the state, successively, from 1840 to 1868. His mother, Lucy Martin, was a daughter of Kemp Plummer, Esq., of Warrenton, a lawyer of high standing during the first quarter of the last century. Mr. Battle's only surviving brother is Hon. Kemp P. Battle, LL. D., former president of the University of North Carolina, and now professor of history. He was educated in the preparatory schools at Chapel Hill and at the University, from which he graduated with the highest honors of his class, in 1854. Soon after graduation he was elected a tutor in the University and taught successively, Mathematics and Greek until June, 1858, when he resigned to practice law. While teaching in the University he studied law under his father and obtained the two licenses then required, in December, 1856 and 1857. His alma mater conferred on him the degree of L. L. B. in 1858, and of LL. D. in 1895.

Mr. Battle began the practice of law at Wadesboro in December, 1858, and soon became a partner of Hon. Alexander Little, afterwards Judge Little, with whom he was associated until he entered the Confederate army, in March, 1862. He was also, from March, 1861, clerk and master in equity, by the appointment of Judge R. M. Saunders. He served in the army as first lieutenant in the 43d regiment until September, 1862, when he received the unsought appointment of private secretary to Governor Vance, just before he received his commission as quartermaster, with the rank of captain, to which he had been appointed by Col. Thomas S. Kenan, who commanded the regiment. He left the service on the advice of the surgeon on account of failing health. He served as private secretary to the Governor until August, 1864, when, upon the resignation of Hon. S. F. Phillips, he was appointed auditor of the State. The appointment being ratified by the Legislature the following winter, he held the office until all state offices were vacated on the surrender of the Southern armies.

Upon the opening of the courts, Mr. Battle resumed the practice of law in Raleigh as the partner of his brother, Kemp, and his brother being made State Treasurer in 1866, Hon. S. F. Phillips and he formed a partnership which continued until the fall of 1868, when his father and brother returning to the bar, the firm of W. H. Battle & Sons was formed. Afterwards, from 1876 he practiced with Samuel F. Mordecai and the firm of Battle & Mordecai was not dissolved until Mr. Mordecai was made the dean of the law school at Trinity College, Durham, in September, 1904. He is now practicing alone, being the senior member of the Raleigh bar. His practice has been lucrative during all these years and his standing in the profession was recognized by Gov. Vance when he expressed a willingness to appoint him a judge of the Superior court in 1877, and by Gov. Scales, who tendered him a commission to the office in 1885. He is now attorney of the Citizens' National Bank of Raleigh, of the Raleigh Cotton Mills, Neuse River Mills, and the North Carolina Home Insurance Company. Upon the death of Judge Bond, of the U. S. Circuit court, he was unanimously recommended by the Wake County Bar for the office, and a committee went to Washington to urge his appointment on President Cleveland.

Mr. Battle has devoted some time to other interests besides his profession. He owns a large plantation in Edgecombe county and a farm in Wake. He has been elected two or three times president of the North Carolina Agricultural Society and served as such several years. He is now president of the North Carolina Home Insurance Company; of the trustees of Rex Hospital; of the Raleigh Cemetery Association and the Olivia Ravey Library. He has been secretary and treasurer of the Uni-

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versity of the State since 1891 and a trustee of that institution since 1879. He is also a trustee of St. Mary's School for girls, at Raleigh. In politics he belonged to the Conservative Union party before the war between the states, and he has been a Democrat since the organization of the party in this state after the war. He was for many years a member of the Democratic state committee and from 1884 to 1888 the chairman of that committee. Against his wishes he was nominated by his party in Wake county for the House of Representatives in 1872, for the constitutional convention in 1875 and the State Senate in 1880. The Republicans, in these years, were in the ascendancy in Wake, but each time he made a vigorous campaign and received more than the vote of his party.

Mr. Battle is a member of the Episcopal church, has been senior warden of the Church of the Good Shepherd at Raleigh since its organization in 1874, and has served as a delegate to the general conventions of his church and a member of its committee on canons, continuously, since 1889.

Mr. Battle was married in November, 1860, to Miss Annie Ruffin, second daughter of Hon. Thos. S. Ashe, late of the Supreme court of the state. She died in July, 1883. Of eleven children born to her and her husband only four are now surviving.

MARTIN HICKS HOLT, A. M.

Was born January 9, 1855, a son of John Foust Holt, a farmer. His mother was Miss Louisa Williams, of Rockingham county, with the history of which her ancestors were closely identified.

He was educated at Oak Ridge Institute and later took his degree at Western Maryland College, of Westminster, Md. With his brother, J. A. Holt, he bought the Oak Ridge Institute of Oak Ridge, N. C., in 1880, and has remained in the conduct of that institution ever since. He represented Guilford county in the State Legislature in 1893, and was trustee of the State University from 1893 1897, and a director of the North Carolina School for the Deaf and Dumb at Morganton since its foundation. He is a class leader in the Methodist Protestant church, and represented his church in the General Conference of 1888.

He married Miss Mary Lambeth, a daughter of Harvey Lambeth, of Reedy Fork, Giulford county, a well known farmer. His daughter, Miss Myrtle Holt, is now the wife of Prof. J. T. Bennett, of Oak Ridge Institute, and his son, John Harvey Holt, is a student in the State University.

SAMUEL L. PATTERSON

Was born in Yadkin Valley, Caldwell county, March 6, 1850, a son of Samuel Finley Patterson, a farmer who was for many years chairman of the county court, several times a member of the House of Representatives and the Senate of the State Legislature, and at one time state treasurer. His mother was Miss Phebe Caroline Jones, a daughter of Gen. Edmund Jones, a farmer, who was also a merchant, and many times a member of the Legislature from Wilkes county.

He was educated at Wilson's school, a short time at the State University and at the University of Virginia.

He clerked in a store and was a bookkeeper in Salem, N. C., for several years to learn business methods.

He was supervisor of the census of 1880, a member of the House of Representatives in 1891 and in 1899 and of the State Senate in 1893 and has been commissioner of agriculture from 1895 to the present time, except from '97 to '99. He has also been a county commissioner and has held numerous other minor offices.

He is a member of the Episcopal church. He married Miss Mary Senseman, of Salem, N. C., a daughter of the late Rev. E. T. Senseman, of Indiana.

DRED PEACOCK

Was born April 12, 1864, a son of Dr. Calvin C. Peacock, a physician. His mother was Miss Ava Heath, a daughter of William Heath. He was educated at Trinity College, N. C.

He was principal of Lexington, N. C., Seminary during 1887 and 1888; professor of Latin and Science in Greensboro Female College from 1888 to 1894, and president of the Greensboro Female College from 1894

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to 1902; general agent Provident Savings Life of N. Y. from 1902 to 1903 and vice-president of the Globe Home Furniture Co., of High Point, N. C., since 1904.

He is a member of the M. E. Church South.

He married Miss Ella Carr, a daughter of O. W. Carr, of Trinity, N. C.

He is the father of two children, a daughter, Odell Peacock, five years of age, and John R. Peacock, eleven years of age.

CHARLES ALPHONSO SMITH

Was born May 28, 1864, at Greensboro, N. C., a son of Jacob Henry Smith, a Presbyterian minister of Greensboro, N. C. His mother was Miss Mary Kelly Watson, a daughter of Judge Egbert R. Watson, of Charlottsville, Va. He was educated in the Greensboro graded schools, Davidson College, Johns Hopkins University and studied abroad in 1900 and 1901. He was professor of English in the Louisiana State University from 1893 to 1902 and was made professor of English in the University of North Carolina in 1902, and dean of the Graduate Department in 1903.

He is a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity and an elder in the Presbyterian church.

He married Miss Susie McGee Heck, a daughter of Col. J. M. Heck, of Raleigh, November 8, 1905.

LYCURGUS LAFAYETTE STATON, M. D.

Was born in Edgecombe county, February 1, 1849, a son of Henry La Fayette Staton, a large planter of cotton, who was a county commissioner in Edgecombe county, and an officer in the Confederate service. His mother was Miss Margaret Batts, a daughter of Benjamin Batts, who was a county court judge and a member of the county commission. He was educated at the Wilkerson Male Academy, Tarboro, N. C., and the V. M. I., Lexington, Va., the University Medical College, N. Y., and the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York.

He is one of the founders of the Pittman Hospital and Visiting Physicians.

Since leaving college he has been a member of the firm of Staton & Zoeller.

He is president of the Tar River Oil Company and the Tarboro Cotton Factory and a director of the Pamlico Insurance and Banking Co., and was health officer for Edgecombe county for twelve years.

He married Miss Kate E. Barker, second daughter of Dr. W. S. Barker, a physician of Tarboro, N. C. He is the father of three children, Henry, a lawyer practising in New York city, Adolphus, of the U. S. N., who graduated from the Naval Academy in 1902 and Miss Sallie B. Staton, who graduated from Vassar in class of 1897.

DANIEL ALBRIGHT LONG

Was born in Orange county, in that portion which has since become Alamance county, May 22, 1844, a son of Jacob Long, a farmer. His mother was Miss Jane Stewart Stockard, a daughter of Colonel John R. Stockard, who served in the war of 1812, and was a member of the Legislature of North Carolina from Orange county for seventeen successive terms.

He was educated in Graham high school under Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., at Melville Academy, under Rev. Alex Wilson, D. D., the University of North Carolina, Yale University, University of Virginia and Columbia University, New York city. He won a fellowship at Columbia University, took the degrees of A. M. and D. D. at the University of North Carolina, and the degree of LL. D. from the Union Christian College.

His life work has been teaching and preaching. He first taught in the public schools. He was president of Graham Normal College for ten years, president of Antioch College, Ohio, for sixteen years, pastor of Christian Church, Raleigh, one year.

He is a Master Mason and pastor of the New Providence Christian church at Graham, which is situated within three miles of the farm on which he was born and reared, and where he now resides.

His first wife was Miss Avarilla Warters, of Kinston, North Carolina. A lady of rare accomplishments, who lived a short time after marriage. His

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second wife was Miss Carrie Eugenia Bell, daughter of Col. D. B. Bell, of Enfield, North Carolina. She became the mother of all the children in his family. The wife of Col. Bell, the mother of Carrie Eugenia, was a blood relative of Oliver Cromwell, of England. Col. Oliver Cromwell Petway, of Gen. Ransom's old regiment, who fell at Malvern Hill, was her uncle. His present wife was Mrs. A. B. Beech (nee Miss Sara Stockard) of Nashville, Tennessee, a daughter of Col. Samuel Stewart Stockard and Myra Louise Lester, of Tennessee. Through her mother she is a direct descendant of William Clayborne, who settled in Virginia in 1612, also of two Governors, West, of Virginia, and Lord Delaware. Her great-grandfather was a colonel in Washington's army and her grandfather, Richard Clayborne Napier, was a colonel in Hickory Jackson's army.

He is the father of five children, Margaret Bell Wolfe, Carrie Eugenia, Daniel Albright, who died of typhoid fever at the age of 19, Lillian Beech Kernodle and Joseph Cromwell—named for his two uncles, who were killed in the Confederate army.

J. ELWOOD COX

Was born at Rich Square, Northampton county, November 1, 1856, a son of Jonathan E. Cox, a farmer and teacher, who was made superintendent of the school at New Garden, Guilford county, in 1858, and conducted that institution for a number of years, where his son was educated until the age of seventeen. He then attended business college in Baltimore and completed his education in Earlham College at Richmond, Ind.

He first engaged in commercial life as salesman for a nursery. In 1880 he moved to High Point, and engaged in the manufacture of shuttle blocks and bobbin heads, the hardwood of the neighborhood having been found exceptionally well adapted for these articles, and has been exceptionally successful in the manufacture of furniture, making large annual contracts and ships to all the principal ports of Europe, where he has by personal visits, established connections. He operates altogether a dozen or more shuttle block factories throughout the South, and manufactures the greater portion of these articles used in the world. He is president of the Globe Home Furniture Company, the largest furniture factory in the Southern states and June, 1891, was made president of the Commercial National Bank of High Point, a position he now holds. He is a director of the Greensboro Loan and Trust Company, president of the Southern Car Works, as well as a director in a number of other institutions, and interested in other industrial enterprises.

He is chairman of the board of trustees of Guilford College and treasurer of the Guilford College Endowment Fund.

He married Miss Bertha E. Snow, of High Point, in October, 1878, and is the father of one child.

He is a member of the Society of Friends.

EDWARD P. MOSES

Was born in Knoxville, Tenn., July 24, 1857, a son of John L. Moses, secretary and treasurer of the Knoxville & Ohio Railroad Co. He was also for many years a justice of the peace and for several terms chairman of the county court. His mother was Susan Williams Moses, a daughter of John Williams, an able attorney and United States Senator from Tennessee from 1818 to 1826. He was educated in the University of Tennessee. He was principal of the Boys' High School of Knoxville from 1877 to 1881, and has been superintendent of the schools of Goldsboro, N. C., professor of pedagogy of the South Carolina Normal College, and superintendent of the schools of Raleigh, N. C.

He married Miss Carrie Dosser, of Jonesboro, Tenn., and has five daughters and one son. His eldest daughter, Miss Susan Williams Moses, is a teacher of Latin in Sophie Newcomb College, New Orleans, La.

J. F. HIGHSMITH

Was born at Hives, Sampson county, N. C., September 1, 1868, a son of J. J. Highsmith, a farmer of that section. His mother was Miss Mary A. Fowler, a daughter of Wm. Fowler, a leading man in his neighborhood. He was educated in Salem High School, Wake Forest College and

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Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa. He has been in successful practice of medicine in Fayetteville since his graduation in 1889. He is president of the Cumberland County Medical Society; council of the fifth district of the North Carolina Medical Society; chief surgeon of the Highsmith Hospital, and is a member of the K. of P. and the First Baptist church of Fayetteville.

He married Miss Mary Lou White, a daughter of Murdock White, a farmer of Clinton, North Carolina.

He is the father of seven children, four girls and three boys. His eldest boy is 15 years of age and his youngest boy is 18 months old.

PAUL CAMERON GRAHAM

Was born in Hillsboro, N. C., December 5, 1869. He is a son of John W. Graham, attorney of Hillsboro, treasurer of North Carolina, attorney for the North Carolina railroad; trustee of the sinking fund of the North Carolina Railroad Company, and member of the North Carolina tax commission of 1855 and State Senator from 1868 to 1870.

His mother was Miss Rebecca B. Cameron, a daughter of Paul C. Cameron, a farmer and capitalist in what was formerly Orange county, now Durham county, N. C. Mr. Graham was educated in Norsons and Densons school, called the Raleigh Male Academy which occupied the spot where the Governor's mansion now stands. He entered the University of North Carolina in 1887 and graduated in 1891 with the degree of Ph.B. He studied law under John Manning and Judge Shepherd, and was admitted to the bar in September, 1902. He first practiced at Hillsboro in partnership with his father, John W. Graham, about 1895, when he moved to Oxford, N. C., and took charge of the business of his uncle, A. W. Graham, who was at that time on the Superior court bench. He moved to Durham in January, 1897, and formed a partnership with his father and the late F. A. Green under the name of Graham, Green & Graham, and his father being the senior member of the firm which was dissolved by the death of Mr. Green in 1898, the firm continuing as Graham & Graham. He was chairman of the Democratic executive committee of Durham county in campaign of 1900 and was elected county attorney in 1901, and served two years; also served two terms as member of the county board of education of Durham county and was re-elected in 1905 by the Legislature, but resigned in May, 1905, having been elected mayor of Durham for a term of two years. He married Miss Courtney Chestney, of Macon, Georgia, a daughter of Major T. O. Chestney, cashier of the Central Georgia Bank in 1901. He is a member of the Democratic committee of the Fifth Congressional District and has also been chairman of the Democratic executive committee of the Ninth Judicial District. He has never run or been a candidate for office.

He is a member of the vestry, and is a junior warden of St. Philips Church, Durham, and formerly a director of Morehead Bank. His grandfather was Wm. H. Graham, Governor of North Carolina, and secretary of the United States navy at the time of the expedition of Commodore Perry to Japan, and on his mother's side is a descendant of Chief Justice Thomas Ruffin, of North Carolina.

WILLIAM BRYANT COOPER

Was born in Horry County, South Carolina, January 22nd, 1867. His father was Noah Bryant Cooper, a business man and tax collector for the county during the war between the States, and was later a probate judge and representative in State legislature.

His mother was Miss Lucinda Generette, a daughter of Samuel T. Generette, a planter of that section.

When he was ten years of age his father sold out his interests and moved to Mullins, Marion County, S. C., to give his family the benefit of the high school education.

After going to school untill twenty years of age his father obtained a position for him with D. L. Gore, of Wilmington as a salesman in 1887 and he remained with Mr. Gore until 1894 when he went into business for himself.

He is a member of the Board of Aldermen and Mayor pro tem during Colonel Waddell's second administration.

He is a Master Mason and represents the Wilmington Lodge on the

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Board of Managers of the Masonic Temple Corporation.

He is president of the Wilmington and South Port Telephone and Telegraph Co., a director in the Murchison National Bank, and president of the Palmetton Grocery Co., a wholesale concern of Mullins, S. C. President of the Merchants Association, and formerly president of the Produce Exchange of Wilmington, and is at the head of the W. B. Cooper Peanut Factory.

He married Miss Ada Francis Gore daughter of D. L. Gore in 1893 and has three sons. He is on the Board of Stewards of Grace Methodist Church.

PETER J. SINCLAIR

Was born in Argyleshire, Scotland, March 17, 1837. His father was John Campbell Sinclair, a Presbyterian clergyman who moved to America as a minister of the United Presbyterian church to Nova Scotia, in 1839. His mother was Mary Julia McLein, of the clan Loch Buie on her father's side, and on her mother's side of the clan McLain of Dumart (the High Black Castle). He was educated by his father at the Manse in Nova Scotia, and moved to the United States in 1853 and studied law with John T. Cochran, of Pittsburg, Pa., obtaining his license in 1857, when but 20 years of age. He moved to North Carolina in 1858, and began practice in Fayetteville, and edited the Carolinian from 1858 until the opening of the war between the states, during which he rose from the rank of private to that of Lieutenant Colonel of the 5th North Carolina regiment, and was wounded in the battle of Cold Harbor. He was promoted to rank of captain and advanced first to rank of major and then to lieutenant colonel, which he resigned in 1863. He returned to North Carolina and resumed the publication of the North Carolinian, which he had removed to Wilmington.

The 5th North Carolina, in the Peninsula campaign in 1862 with the 24th Virginia in a charge on Hancock's Brigade in abandoned redoubts left by the Confederates took in 415 men and brought out only 138. After they had fallen back to the vicinity of Richmond Secretary Randolph, of the Confederacy, issued an order giving the liberty of the city of Richmond to the privates and non-commissioned officers of the 5th North Carolina and 24th Virginia troops.

Colonel Sinclair ran the Daily North Carolinian until the fall of Wilmington in 1868. After the war he first engaged in a mercantile line of business at Charlotte, N. C., but later conducted a cotton plantation in Gaston county. In 1872 he moved to Marion, N. C., and resumed the practice of the law and has continued to practice there ever since.

In 1880 he obtained the charter and secured subscriptions in McDowell and Mitchell counties for the construction of the Charleston Cincinnati & Chicago Railroad, since called the "Three Cs," and remained with it and its successor, the Ohio River & Charleston Railroad, a director and attorney until the Southern purchased it in 1898. He has also been active in the devlopment of the Burke County Telephone and Telegraph Company, running long distance lines between Marion, Morganton, Connally Springs and Lenoir. The firm of Sinclair & Sinclair are now attorneys for the South and Western Railway. He has always been an active Democrat and is an elder in the Presbyterian church. He was first married in 1856 to Miss Ellen Arthur, of Pittsburg, Pa., when he was 19 years of age. She died in 1873. His second wife was Miss Maggie Carson of Pleasant Garden, a daughter of Colonel L. Carson. He is the father of eight living children, four boys and four girls.

THOMAS EDMOND WALLACE

Was born in New York city September 16, 1853. His father was John Wallace, a moulder, and his mother Miss Mary Knox, daughter of Thomas Knox, a farmer of Ireland, both his parents being natives of that country.

He was educated in the parochial schools and in St. Francis Xavier College. His first occupation was as bookkeeper in a wholesale marble yard. In January, 1874, he moved to Washington, D. C., and engaged in the marble business with his brother; after six years there he moved to North Carolina and first lived at Goldsboro and became government contractor and built government road from the Trent river to the Na-

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the Knoxville and Southern, and located the line from Knoxville to Ducktown, a work also finished in 1890. Then he went to the Seaboard Air Line and built the line from Cheraw to Columbia, S. C., and was in charge of construction. He was also engaged in preliminary surveys for many proposed lines in Western North Carolina. In 1902, he located the line from Knoxville to Franklin, N. C., for the Southern Railway, known as the Rabun Gap Short Line, now being constructed.

He was made cashier of the Bank of Morganton September, 1904.

He married Miss Mary Moore, of Fayetteville, N. C., in 1890, and has six children, four boys and two girls.

LAMBERT AUGUSTUS BRISTOL

Was born in Burke county, near Morganton, January 31, 1848. His father was Benedict Bristol, a farmer who was at one time superintendent of the county schools. His mother was Miss Elizabeth McCall, a daughter of John McCall, a farmer of Burke county. He ran away from school at the age of fourteen to enter the Confederate army. He first joined Co. B of the Eleventh Bethel regiment and was elected captain when he was 16 years old, and was one of the youngest reserves in Colonel John W. Hinsdale's regiment of Junior Reserves. He was wounded in the shoulder at the battle of Gettysburg, by a grape shot and was in command of the skirmish line in the last battle of the war between the states near Bentonsville.

At the close of hostilities he returned to Morganton and engaged in the mercantile business, first with Colonel R. A. Cobb and later with John H. Pearson, altogether for a period of about twenty years. He was elected mayor of Morganton for 1895 and 1896 and during the latter year ran for the Legislature, but was defeated by J. H. Hoffman. He was elected clerk of the court of Burke county in 1902 for a term of four years. He is interested in real estate and in building upon generally improved realty.

Mr. Bristol has been twice married. His first wife was Miss Mary A. Todd, of Lenoir, N. C., who he married in 1867 and by whom he has six children, four sons and two daughters. His second wife was Miss Ida Lee White, of Knoxville, Tenn., by whom he has four children, three daughters and a son.

He is a member of the Royal Arcanum and the Methodist church.

During the war he was at the battles of Fort Fisher, Kinston, Gettysburg, Bristol Station, Mine Run, "Little" Washington, N. C., and Bentonsville. He was never sick or absent during his entire service from the day he entered the army until he was paroled in 1865 at Greensboro, and drew $1.00 in silver for duty done.

JOHN TULL

Was born at New Bern, May 1, 1849. His father was John Graham Tull, M. D., of New Bern, and his mother was Miss Julia Hollister, daughter of Wm. Hollister, Esq., a merchant who traded with the West Indies by vessels. He was educated in Princeton preparatory school, later went to Courtland and Saunder's Mercantile School and Henry D. Gregory's private and select school. Studied medicine with Charles Ellis, one of the oldest drug houses in the United States, and graduated in 1870 from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy.

He began his business career by opening a drug store in West Philadelphia; while conducting this had an interest in two others. Ten years later, in 1879, he sold out his Philadelphia interests and moved to Morganton and bought out Dr. J. L. Laxton's drug business which he has since conducted for 26 years. He has been mayor of Morganton for six terms, county commissioner one term. Was for several years justice of the peace and chairman of the district school committee and was a member of the State Senate in 1887. He was appointed by Governor Jarvis one of the five members of the State Board of Pharmacists to examine applicants to practice pharmacy and is a director in Burke County Building and Loan Association.

He was married in 1873 to Miss Lizzie McKeehan, of Chambersburg, Pa., and has five children, four sons and a daughter.

He is a member of the Royal Arcanum and the First Presbyterian church of Morganton.

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JULIUS FRANKLIN ABERNETHY

Was born six miles from Hickory in Catawba county, October 26, 1860. His father was A. F. Abernethy, a blacksmith by trade, and his mother was Miss Sophie Link, a daughter of Henry Link, a farmer.

Mr. Abernethy was educated in Hickory at Blair and Ivey's academy. In 1880, he began his commercial career and was associated with A. L. Shuford for one year. He was next with his brother, A. S. Abernethy, in groceries and livery, under the style of Abernethy Bros., for thirteen years. In 1893 he became associated with A. L. Whitener dealing in vehicles, farm implements and the manufacture of harness under the firm style of Abernethy & Whitener, which association still continues.

He is president of the Hickory Bank and Trust Company, member of the board of aldermen, and the school board for the graded schools of Hickory and a trustee of Clairmont College. He is a K. of P., and a deacon in the German Reform church.

Mr. Abernethy has been twice married. His first wife was Miss M. A. Whitener who he married in 1884, and by whom he had six sons and a daughter. His second wife was Mrs. Mattie Forney, of Catawba county, and a sister of his first wife, by whom he had two sons and a daughter.

JOSEPH DUCKWORTH ELLIOT

Was born in Laurens, S. C., December 17, 1855. His father was H. C. Elliott, a native of Iredell county, and a builder by occupation. His mother was Miss Altha Duckworth, daughter of Elu Duckworth, who was sheriff of Burke county for 20 years. He was educated in the common schools of Burke county, and went two years to the High School in Statesville, N. C. During the month of October, 1875, he began to learn the carpenter's trade with the firm of McLeemore, Kelly & Co., at Knoxville, Tenn., and served two years at $200 per annum. He then became superintendent for Wm. Fulcher, a contractor of Knoxville. In 1879 he started in business for himself, and went thence to Atlanta, Ga., where he remained two years. On October 23d, 1883, he was married to Miss Mary Elliott, of Charlotte, a daughter of H. Frank Elliott, a builder of that city and has three daughters.

He next spent two or three years in general contracting work at various points throughout the United States, principally in the construction of court houses. His headquarters have been at Hickory, N. C., for the past fifteen years during which period he has confined himself principally to railroad work, building depots and section houses, and other railroad buildings.

He has taken a live interest in local affairs in Hickory and has been on the board of aldermen two terms, and mayor of the city five terms.

He is vice-president of the First National Bank of Hickory, the Hickory Furniture Company and the First Building and Loan Association, and the Lutta Martin Pump Co., of Hickory. He is a director of the Ivey Cotton Mill, Piedmont Wagon Works, the Hickory Manufacturing Co., and the Old North State Fire Insurance Co., of Greensboro.

He is a member of Masons, a K. of P., Jr. O. U. A. M. Has been from the Blue Lodge up to the Shrine in Masonry and has been an Odd Fellow since his 21st year.

He is a deacon in the First Baptist church of Hickory and trustee of the South Falk Institute, at Maiden, N. C., and has been a member of the Manufacturers' Club of Charlotte for years. He keeps about two hundred men constantly employed.

JAMES AUGUSTUS WESTON

Was born in Hyde county, North Carolina, May 6, 1838. His father was Samuel W. Weston, a farmer of Hyde county, and his mother was Miss Dina Bartee Watson, a daughter of Colonel Watson, of the North Carolina State Guard, and member of the State Legislature for four years.

Mr. Weston was educated at Jonesville Academy and Trinity College, N. C., and the University of the City of New York, and in the Theological Seminary at Alexander, Va. Afterwards he studied at New Bern, N. C., and was ordained 1870, a minister of the Episcopal church.

Previous to this he had been prepared after study at Leesburg, Va., for license in June, 1861, but the war

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between the states began and he joined the 33d regiment and became major in that command and surrendered at Appomatox Court House in Lane's brigade, A. B. Hill's division, Stonewall Jackson corps. After the war he taught school in Hyde county for some time, but later attended Trinity College, the Seminary at Alexandria, and completed his studies at New Berne after his ordination at Wilmington in 1870, by Bishop Atkinson. He first went to McQuinnens county in charge of the Holy Trinity church of that place. In 1883, he moved to Hickory, where he took charge of the Church of the Ascension and with the exception of two years spent as assistant minister of Christ Church, Raleigh, N. C., has been with this charge ever since.

He is the author of a remarkable book called "Historic Doubts as to the Execution of Marshall Ney," the first edition of which has been exhausted at the price of $3.00 per volume, and the second edition with important additions will appear this year. His published sermons at the burial of General (?) in Happy Valley, Caldwell county and of Colonel Walter W. Lenor at Fort Defiance, have attracted favorable comment as literary productions as well as for their earnest tone, and sincere religious feelings expressed.

WALLER C. FEIMSTER

Was born in Iredell county, seven miles from Statesville, August 31, 1866. He is a son of James E. Feimster, a farmer of Iredell county. His mother was Miss Sarah L. Gibson, a daughter of Rufus Gibson, a farmer of Iredell county. He was educated at the Statesville High School and read law in the office of Bingham and Armfield after having taught from 1884 to 1893 during which period he was principal of the Iredell High School, six miles from Statesville, for three years and county superintendent of public schools of Iredell county for one term. After reading law two years, although at that time only one year was required, he was admitted to the bar during the fall of 1895. He began the practice of his profession October 13, 1895, in Newton and practiced alone until July, 1897, when he formed a partnership with Marshall H. Yount, now of Hickory, N. C., and they practiced together until the fall of 1900, under the style of Feimster & Yount. For the last five years he has continued alone, the partnership having been dissolved by mutual consent in the fall of 1900. Mr. Feimster has been attorney for Catawba county for four years and member of the State Legislature from Catawba in 1905. He is a stockholder and attorney for the Shuford National Bank, a member of the K. of P., the Jr. O. U. A. M., and an elder in the Presbyterian church. He married Miss Bessie Yount, a daughter of J. A. Yount, a merchant of Conover and has a son and daughter.

GEORGE HAMILTON BROWN

Was born in Wilkes county, North Carolina. His father was William H. Brown, a farmer of Wilkes county and his mother was Miss Julia Stout, also of Wilkes county. He was educated in the public schools of his native county. He was elected clerk of the court of Wilkes county in 1865, a position he held for eight years. He next moved to Statesville, and was chief deputy and cashier in the office of the collector of internal revenue of the Sixth district. In 1885, he entered the banking business as a member of the firm of Cooper & Brown, of Statesville, and in February, 1887, this firm was merged into the First National Bank of which he was made cashier and still holds the office. He is also interested in several industrial enterprises and is secretary and treasurer of the Long Island Cotton Mills, an enterprise that has been for years exceptionally successful; is vice-president and director of the Statesville Flour Mill, the Kincaid Furniture Company, a director in the Atha Chair Company, and the First Building and Loan Association. He is a deacon in the Baptist church.

He married Miss Olivia A. Smith, daughter of L. B. Smith a Baptist minister and is the father of four daughters. Mary, now Mrs. L. C. Wagner, of Statesville; Minnie, now Mrs. Osborne Brown, of Catawba county; Gertrude, now Mrs. Wm. E. Nattress, of Washington, D. C., and Cora, now Mrs. Robert H. McNeil, of Washington, D. C. Messrs. McNeil & Nattress practice law in Washington under the firm name of McNeil & Nattress, attorneys. Mr. McNeil was formerly Judge Pritchard's private secretary.

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WILLIAM DENT TURNER

Was born January 30th, 1865, in Iredell County at Turnersburg, a village founded by his father Wilfred Turner, a manufacturer and a member of the old County Court and of the State legislature of 1853. His mother was Miss Dorcas Tomlinson, a daughter of John Tomlinson a farmer.

He is a graduate of Trinity College class of 1876. He studied law with Colonel afterward Judge R. F. Armfield, and was licensed to practice June 1879. He first practiced alone in Statesville for seven or eight years and then formed a partnership with Judge Armfield, the firm being Armfield & Turner, and this firm continued for twenty years until 1889 when Judge Armfield's son, C. H. Armfield, became a member of the firm.

Mr. Turner is solicitor for the Inferior Court of Iredell County and represented the counties of Alexander, Iredell and Wilkes in the State Senate for three terms during sessions of 1887-1889 and 1901. Was elected Lieutenant Governor in 1900, and held office four years presiding over the Senate in 1901 and the Court of Impeachment in 1901 before which Judges Furches and Douglas were tried.

He has been twice married. In 1878 he married Miss Ida Lanier, a daughter of Major S. M. Lanier, and had by her three daughters and a son.

His second wife was Miss Julia McCall, a daughter of John McCall, a planter and commission merchant of South Carolina, whom he married in 1897, by whom he has one son.

He is a K. of P., Trustee of the Methodist Church, South, and formerly steward of the First Methodist Church of Statesville, and is deeply interested in local school affairs.

DANIEL M. AUSLEY

Was born in Robeson County near Red Springs in 1871. His father was Jesse T. Ausley, a farmer, and several years Justice of the Peace. His mother was Miss Katherine Tooter a daughter of Oliver K. Tooter a native of Scotland and resident of Robeson County. He was educated in the public schools of Robeson County.

His first business experience was as assistant railroad agent at Red Springs; later he was assistant agent at Mt. Airy and afterwards agent at that point. In 1898 he moved to Newport News, Va., and was made cashier of the City Bank of that place. He is a director in the Blooming Manufacturing Co. (Cotton Mill) and the Imperial Furniture Manufacturing Co. and a stockholder in several other enterprises.

He married Miss Edith Faucett, daughter of Thomas Faucett, president of the First National Bank of Mt. Airy, in 1898, and has one daughter. He is a K. of P. and a member of Trinity Episcopal Church of Statesville.

ERNEST ANSEL SNOW

Was born in 1850 at Ferrisburg, Vermont. His father was William H. Snow, the original of Colonel Servosse, the hero of The Fools Errand, and other works by Judge Albion W. Tourgee, who after the war removed to the South from Lowell, Mass., and was for ten or twelve years mayor of High Point.

Previous to the war in 1850 he had put up the first telegraph line in Australia for Great Britain, and first moved to High Point in 1870 attracted by the hard woods of the region, and first engaged in the manufacture of axe handles and wheel spokes out of hickory, and first discovered that hickory and dog wood were excellent for weavers shuttles if cut while the sap is down. He also wrote an extensive work on tobacco, and was the first to advise the farmers to cure the leaves after separating them from the stalk. His example and teachings revolutionized the methods of curing and handling tobacco.

During his life he contributed numerous articles on the subject to magazines and newspapers. He it was who secured the charter, and built the Ashboro road.

His mother was Miss Lydia Cramer, a daughter of a Vermont farmer.

Mr. Snow was educated in Cornell University in the Mechanical Arts course to fit him for his life work. In 1886 he founded the first successful furniture factory at High Point to manufacture cheap poplar furniture. Associated with him were J. H. Tate and T. F. Wrenn and the first years business amounted to $40,000, on a capital of $9,000. Last year the total

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business of the High Point furniture factories amounted to $2,055,000, and High Point now ranks as the second furniture town in the United States.

He is secretary and treasurer of the Snow Lumber Company, president of the Eagle Furniture Company, president of the Southern Chair Company, vice-president of the Southern Car Works, and a director in several of the other furniture factories of High Point.

He is a mason and an elder in the First Presbyterian Church, and built the Snow Memorial Church of High Point.

He married Miss Alice, daughter of Lerton English, a merchant of High Point, and has five daughters and three sons.

EUGENE MOREHEAD ARMFIELD

Was born September 25th, 1869, a son of J. L. Armfield, banker of High Point. He graduated from Guilford College with class of 1886, and from the University of North Carolina with the class of 1888. He entered the banking business in 1888 as cashier of the National Bank of High Point and has continued in that position. He is also president of the Bank of Thomasville, and the Bank of Alamance, both of which he organized and was the principal organizer and is a director in ten other banks throughout North Carolina, besides being an officer and director in a dozen or more manufacturing enterprises. He is president of the People's Building and Loan Association, and secretary and treasurer of the Mechanics' Perpetual Building and Loan Association, and is largely interested in insurance and real estate.

He is a trustee of the University of North Carolina, and is a member of the visiting board, and founder of the Armfield Library of English Phyology in the University at a cost of $5,000, which carries with it five scholarships perpetually. He is secretary of the North Carolina Children's Home Society, a philanthropic institution, and a contributor to various educational and religious institutions. Mr. Armfield is broad in his charities. His view of the matter it not to question "was it this man's fault that he is in need?" but rather "is he in need now, and what can I do to help him?"

He has written several addresses on various subjects, and is a member of the Modern Language Association and of the American Economic Association. He is a member also of the K. of P. and the Jr. O. U. A. M.

SIDNEY HALSTEAD TOMLINSON

Was born at Archdale, N. C., May 4th, 1876, a son of Allen J. Tomlinson, a shoe manufacturer of that place. His mother was Miss Anna Faucett, daughter of Simon Faucett of Damascus, Ohio. He was educated at Guilford College. After leaving school he was a travelling salesman for the Globe Furniture Company for two years. In 1900 he organized the Tomlinson Chair Manufacturing Company with a capital of $50,000.00 and was first made secretary and treasurer and afterwards general manager of this institution, the annual output of which amounts to $25,000.00 in value.

He is also president and treasurer of the High Point Bending and Chair Company, the factory of which is located at Siler City, N. C.

He married Miss Ethel M. Differ, of Asheboro, N. C., in December, 1904. He is a member and treasurer of the Friend's Church, of High Point.

WILLIAM JAMES MONTGOMERY

Wos born in Montgomery county, August 14th, 1834. His father was Dr. John H. Montgomery, State senator for Moore and Montgomery counties. He was a native of Moore county and represented that county in the house previous to his election to the senate, after his removal to Montgomery county.

His mother was Miss Mary Ann Christian, a daughter of the Rev. John Christian, a Methodist minister of Montgomery county. He was educated at the University of North Carolina and graduated in the class of 1855 and taught school in 1856. He studied law under Chief Justice Richmond Pearson during 1857 and 1858, and got his supreme court license in June 1858.

He practiced alone for several years before the war. He was Captain of Co. D, 28th N. C. troops at the begin-

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ning of the war but in 1862 he was made Major of A. P. Hill's Corps, Branch's Brigade (General Branch was killed at Sharpsburg, and it then became Lane's Brigade), Stonewall Jackson's Division. At the close of the war he lived for a while at Albemarle, but moved to Concord, N. C., in 1868, and in 1874 he was made solicitor for the Charlotte District, and served two terms or about eight and one-half years which represents two full terms and a prolonged session of six months. In 1885 he was appointed Judge of the Eighth or Salisbury District, by Judge Scales and in 1889 was elected Judge of that District, but on the first of January, 1889, resigned and has since been practicing law in Concord in partnership with J. L. Crowell.

He has been twice married. His first wife was Miss Mary Cottrell, a daughter of Dr. John B. Cottrell, of Jonesboro, Tenn., their wedding was in 1859 and she died in 1869 leaving three children, a son and two daughters. In 1871 he married Lucy Richmond, a daughter of Caleb Richmond, of Caswell county, a manufacturer, and the result of this union has been six children, three boys and three girls.

Judge Montgomery is a Mason and trustee in the Central Methodist Church, of Concord.

RUFUS ALEXANDER BROWN

Was born in Concord, N. C., in 1851. His father was Alfred Brown, a farmer of Cabarrus county, and his mother was Miss Margaret Bost, a daughter of John Bost, a farmer. He was educated in the public schools of Cabarrus county.

In 1880 he began ginning cotton, and later in 1882 opened a general merchandise store in Concord under the style of Brown & Schafer, A. R. Schafer being his associate. This firm continued until 1888 after which he continued alone until 1894 when he discontinued to manufacture brick and enter the contracting business on a large scale and organized the Brown Manufacturing Company, he being the largest stockholder and vice-president. This company has built a 10,000 spindle 250 loom cotton mill. He is also interested in various other enterprises.

He married Miss Missouri Fisher, a daughter of George W. Fisher, a large live stock dealer of the West, who was raised on her grandmother's farm in Perry county, Mo. They have four children.

He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, an Elk, and a D. O. K. K.

PENDLETON BERNARD FETZER

Was born in Pendleton county, Virginia, now part of West Virginia, January 8th, 1849. His father was Samuel J. Fetzer, a minister in the German Reform Church, and was in charge at Woodstock, Va., taking the charge in 1858. His mother was Miss Angeline Harrison McAtee, a daughter of William McAtee, a farmer of Rockingham county, Virginia, and her grandfather was one of the Harrisons who founded Harrisonburg, Virginia, the county seat of Rockingham county.

He was educated by his father who moved to Rowan county, N. C., and settled near China Grove, and was in charge of the old field school of that neighborhood, which young Fetzer attended, then being eleven years of age.

His father died in 1861 and his older brothers went into the war. There were five children younger than he, however, and he had the entire charge of the family at an early age. He first worked on the farm during the war times and did his utmost to meet his heavy responsibilities. In 1867 he moved to Concord and for the first two years worked for Wallace & Reese, a branch house of Wallace Bros., of Statesville. He next worked for J. S. Fisher until 1873, when the firm of Cannon & Wadsworth was formed, he having charge of the Wadsworth interests and in 1874 bought a third interest for himself. In 1876 D. F. Cannon was taken into the firm, but withdrew in 1897, when the firm was incorporated under the name of Cannon & Fetzer, which was changed to Cannon, Fetzer Company. This house does one of the largest businesses in Concord. The original capital was in 1873, $7,000, but is now $96,000.

Mr. Fetzer is also president of the branch house of his company at High Point, N. C., and vice-president of the Hartsell Cotton Mill.

He was for some time clerk of the

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town commissioners of Concord and town treasurer for fifteen years.

He married Miss Tilpha Morrison, a daughter of Dr. Columbus Morrison, a physician. She was a native of Tuscaloosa, Ala. Her father was a native of Cabarrus county, N. C., who after living in Virginia and Alabama returned to the land of his birth in 1863 or 1864, dying shortly after. They have five sons, the youngest fourteen and the eldest twenty-five years of age.

JOHN CYRENUS WADSWORTH

Was born October 2d, 1863, in Lancaster county, South Carolina. His father was John W. Wadsworth, a horseman and liveryman of Charlotte, N. C., and owner of Wadsworth Transfer of that place. His mother was Miss Mary J. Houston, a daughter of John D. Houston, and James L. Houston. He was born in a house situated on the state line but in a room on the South Carolina side.

He was educated in Trinity and Davidson Colleges, N. C. He began in business in Concord in 1885, under the style of York & Wadsworth, his partner being N. F. York. In 1895 he went into the furniture business under the style of Bell, Harris & Company, and became a member of the firm of Cannon, Fetzer & Company with $100,000 paid in capital; is one of the directors of the York Furniture Co., $62,000 paid in capital, and owns the livery business known as Corl & Wadsworth Co. He is manager and director of the Concord Real Estate Company, which owns about $30,000 worth of paid property incorporated for $100,000. He has been an alderman for five years. He is a Mason, Odd Fellow, Elk, K. of P., Red Man, Jr. O. U. A. M., Royal Arcanum and Heptasoph.

He married Miss Willie E. Johnson, a daughter of Capt. William H. Johnson, a Confederate captain, who was killed at Chancellorsville. They have four children, one daughter and three sons.

MORGAN BOWMAN STICKLEY

Was born in Rockingham county, Va., September 2, 1867. He is a son of Phinea Stickley, a farmer who served in the Confederate army as sergeant in the Eleventh Virginia Cavalry under Gen. Zeb Stuart and under General Rosse. His mother was Miss Mary Bowman, a daughter of Daniel Bowman, a mill owner, who lived at Dayton, Rockingham county, Va.

Mr. Stickley was educated at Roanoke College, graduating in class of 1892. He took a law course at the University of Virginia in 1893 under John B. Minor and began practice in Hinton, West Virginia, in 1894. Three years later he moved to Concord and became a partner, during September, 1898, with Mormon H. Caldwell, now of New York city, which continued for about one year.

In 1899 he was for a few months superintendent of schools. He is chairman of the school board and in November, 1904, was elected to the Legislature by Cabarrus county.

He was recently appointed by the State Superintendent of Education to make an educational campaign in Cabarrus county. During the session of the Legislature he was a leading member of the Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns. He was also on the Educational Committee, and Committees on Manufacturing and Labor, and the Privated Calendar Committee.

He married Miss Annie Laura Palmer, daughter of John W. Palmer, a merchant of Rockingham county, Virginia, October 6, 1893, and has a son and daughter.

He is a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., and is Chancellor Commander of Concord Lodge, No. 51, K. of P.

JOHN BRICE CALDWELL

Was born in Cabarrus county, 12 miles from Concord, October 20, 1852, and moved into that town in 1862. His father was Charles A. Caldwell, a merchant and contractor of Concord. His mother was Miss Jennette Cochran, a daughter of Colonel W. B. Cochran, a farmer, who was a colonel in the ante bellum militia of Mecklenburg county. He was educated in the Concord public schools. His first commercial experience was as a salesman with Odell Curtis & Co., in general merchandise, and was later with Fetzer & Company, for ten years. He then became agent at Concord for the Southern Express Company and remained with them four years and then became an agent for the Standard Oil

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Company and continued that connection seven years. He was elected mayor of Concord in 1903 and is now serving his second term in that office.

He is a member of the Presbyterian Church and is a K. of P. and Woodman of the World and a member of the Knights of Honor

On December 28th, 1872 he married Colonel John O. Wallace's youngest daughter, Ester, who died suddenly October 7th, 1905 leaving six children three daughters and three sons.

ASHBEL BROWN KIMBALL

Was born July 3, 1873, near Oxford, N. C., a son of W. D. Kimball, a miller and farmer of Garnville county, who was a sargeant in the 46th N. C. Cook's Brigade of the Confederate service. His mother was Miss Susan Stark, a daughter of Kaiser J. Stark, a prominent planter of Granville county.

He was educated at Oak Ridge Institute and graduated from the University of North Carolina, class of 1895, winning the medal for mathematics. He read law at the University of North Carolina, under Dr. John Manning and Judge James E. Shepherd, ex-Chief Justice of North Carolina, and under Judge R. P. Dick, judge of the district court of the Western District of North Carolina. He moved to Greensboro June 6, 1898, and formed a law partnership with R. R. King and this association has continued ever since.

On December 23, 1902, he married Miss Cora Donnell, of Oak Ridge, N. C., where he taught as professor of mathematics in 1897.

He is interested in and is a director and general counsel of the Greensboro Life Insurance Company, and is vice-president of the Harrison Printing Company and the Greensboro Supply Company.

REV. WILLIAM S. LONG

(By E. L. Moffit)

Rev. William S. Long, D. D., was born near Graham, N. C., Alamance county, October 22, 1839—son of Jacob Long, a sturdy and successful farmer, and one of the most highly esteemed men of his county.

After having thoroughly prepared himself for his life work, Dr. Long began to teach in Halifax county, Va., in the year 1861, at the age of twenty-two; and from that time down to the present he has been actively and almost continually engaged in the educational work of his church and state. In early life he was ordained to the gospel ministry in the Christian church; and while his educational duties have, for the most part, prevented his engaging in regular church work, he has from the very beginning, been regarded as one of the ablest and most faithful ministers in his denomination.

In the year 1865, even while the dark shadows of the Civil War still hovered over the remnants of our homes, Dr. Long, seeing the great need of education among the boys and girls of our stricken Southland, established Graham High School at Graham, N. C., which was later chartered as Graham Normal College, and still later in 1887, as Graham College. The institution continued under the name until the year 1890, when it was succeeded by Elon College, at Elon College, N. C., and became in reality and formally what it has always been practically, the recognized college of the Christian church, South.

Dr. Long was one of the prime factors in this advanced educational movement of his church; and when it became necessary to select a man for the seemingly almost impossible task of building Elon College, all eyes turned to him as the man most eminently fitted for the undertaking—and that the choice was a wise one, the almost immediate and continued success of Elon College bears unmistakable testimony. The undertaking was a large one, but with that undomitable will and unswerving faith in God which have ever characterized him in all of his efforts, he went cheerfully and hopefully to the task and almost marvelous have been the results. Elon College, "our beloved institution,' as he may well call it, has become a great power for good, not only in the Christian church, but in this and other states as well.

In 1894, Dr. Long resigned the presidency of Elon College, and for about five years gave his entire time to the ministry, serving some of the best churches in North Carolina and Virginia. For the past six years he has been superintendent of public schools of Alamance county, and has been largely instrumental in bringing them to the high standard to which they

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have already attained. During his term of office he has established ten regular graded schools, has introduced the graded system into all, has built many good houses and thoroughly organized the school work of the county.

It is a life well spent, and still spending, in the educational development of his church and state.

WALTER MURPHY

Was born in Salisbury, N. C., October 24, 1872. His father was the late Andrew Murphy and his mother Helen Long, the youngest daughter of the late Dr. Alexander Long, of Salisbury.

Both sides of his family came from Ireland in 1739 and settled in North Carolina. He was educated at the University of North Carolina and Washington and Lee University, and graduated in law from the first institution in 1894. He has been a member of the General Assembly of North Carolina several times and in the Legislature of 1905 was chairman of the committee to settle the South Dakota judgment and the Schaeffer debt. He is a trustee of the State University, a director of the Yadkin Railroad, and at present city attorney of Salisbury.

Is a member of the Elks, having been D. D. G. E. R. for North Carolina; is also a member of the Eagles, Red Men and the Sig a Nu fraternity.

He was married March 18, 1903, at Boston, Mass., to Miss Maude M. Horney, and has one son.

ROBERT LEE WRIGHT

Was born in Wilkes county, September 16, 1867. He moved to Rowan county in 1876. His father was John L. Wright, a merchant in Salisbury, and his mother was Miss Mary Shoefe, a daughter of Samuel Shoefe, a farmer, and magistrate in Davie county, and later of Davidson. He studiedf law with James W. Rumple and was admitted to the bar February, 1889, and has practiced in Salisbury ever since. His principal business has been in litigation against railroads and other corporations.

He was an alderman for eight years, and at different times mayor pro tem and city attorney for Salisbury, and was a member of the Legislature in 1900 and 1901 and at present is a member of the State Senate, representing the 26th District. He has been a member of the town and county Democratic executive committee for about ten years.

He is attorney and a director for the People's Bank and Trust Company, recently established in Salisbury, and was for several years a director in the Wachovia Loan and Trust Co. He is largely interested in real estate in Spencer, East Spencer and in Salisbury.

He is a member of the Odd Fellows, Royal Arcanum, Jr. O. U. A. M., Woodmen of the World, Home Circle, Redmen and the Presbyterian church.

He married Miss Sallie Oaks, a daughter of John Oaks, and a granddaughter of the late Henry Walser, of Davidson county.

WILLIAM G. BRADSHAW

Was born in Alamance county, February 23, 1856. His father was William S. Bradshaw, a farmer and captain of the home guards, in the Confederate service, when that branch was first organized. Later at Bentonville he was promoted to the rank of colonel in the home guards, then engaged in the regular fighting. His mother was Miss Margaret Stockard, a daughter of John Stockard, a farmer of Alamance county, whose home was in sight of the Old Battle Field of Alamance. He served about eighteen terms in the Legislature when Orange and Alamance counties were one. Dr. Bradshaw graduated from Trinity College in the class of 1877. He studied medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Baltimore, graduating in 1879. After he obtained his license in 1879, he began the practice of medicine at Tyro, in Davidson county, near Lexington, and also in Jamestown and High Point. In 1891, upon the organization of the Commercial National Bank of High Point, he was made cashier of that institution, and continued in that position until 1898, when he entered the furniture business as secretary and treasurer of the Globe Furniture Company, and was made vice-president of the Commercial National Bank. The capital stock of the Globe Furniture

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Company under his administration has been increased from $40,000 to $175,000, and has bought the Home and Cox factories.

He is a director in the High Point Savings Bank; president of the Alumni Association of Trinity College; president of the North Carolina Case Goods Association and vice-president of the National Case Goods Association. He has been mayor of High Point for two terms, and established the public school system, having been elected on that issue.

He is chairman of the board of stewards of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

He married Miss Sallie Johnson, a daughter of Harper Johnson, of High Point, formerly of Jamestown, a farmer, merchant and manufacturer, and a member of the Highway Commission of Guilford county.

They have two daughters.

ARCHIBALD HENDERSON BOYDEN

Was born in the beautiful home he now occupies in Salisbury, N. C. His father was Nathaniel Boyden, who died while on the Supreme court bench of North Carolina in 1873, an associate justice and was a member of Congress shortly after the war between the states. His mother was Miss Jane Henderson, a daughter of Archibald Henderson, an attorney, and member of Congress who refused a re-nomination. He was educated at the preparatory school of Dr. Alexander Wilson at Melville, Alamance county, but ran away and joined the Confederate army, serving fifteen months as courier for General Robert F. Holk. After the war went to New York to take a preparatory course to enter Hobart College at Genoa, N. Y., but on account of his health he returned to North Carolina and became engrossing clerk for the House of Representatives at Raleigh, a position he held in 1873 and 1874.

In 1876 he went into the cotton brokerage business and has been in that ever since. He lived at Spartanburg, S. C., for several years, but returned to Salisbury in 1884 after his mother's death. He has been always active in politics and was chairman of the Democratic executive committee for fifteen years. He was elected mayor of Salisbury in 1899, and is now serving his third consecutive term. He is head of the firm of Boyden & Overman, a member of the jobbing house of Overman & Company, vice-president of the Salisbury branch of the Wachovia Loan and Trust Company and a director in the Vance Cotton Mill.

He is a member of the Elks, K. of P. and Royal Arcanum; was chancellor commander of the K. of P. and chairman of the board of governors of the Elks for a number of years.

ZEB VANCE WALSER

Was born June 17, 1863, at Yadkin Institute, Davidson county, a son of Gaither Walser, a farmer and officer. His mother was Miss Frances E. Byerly, a daughter of Francis Byerly, a farmer.

He was educated at the University of North Carolina and at the University of Michigan, and got his license in 1885 from the Supreme court of Michigan although he did not graduate from the University of Michigan as an L. L. B. until July, 1886. Later in 1886 he began practice in Lexington. He was not required to stand any examination in this state as he held a diploma and certificate signed by Judge Thomas M. Cooley, the famous authority on constitutional law For the first ten years he practiced alone, but in 1895 associated with him his brother, Z. I. Walser.

He was elected to the State Legislature in 1886 and 1888, and in 1890 was elected to the State Senate. In 1894 he was again elected to the Legislature and was speaker of the house of Representatives. In 1896 was elected attorney general of North Carolina, and in 1899 resigned the attorney generalship and was succeeded by appointment by Robt. D. Douglas, now editor of the Industrial News of Greensboro. In 1900 was elected Supreme court reporter, holding the place for four years, and reporting the volumes of Supreme court reports.

He was president of the National Bank of Lexington from 1900 to 1905 and trustee of the State University for the past sixteen years.

He married Miss Estelle Addington, a daughter of R. S. Addington, a merchant of Lexington and had two sons and two daughters.

He has written several books.

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Among others: Walser's Digest of the Criminal Laws of North Carolina, in two volumes; Annotations of North Carolina Supreme Court Decisions.

While in college he published a notable essay on the Advantages and Disadvantages of the Cross-Examination of Witnesses.

He is a member of the Tar Heel Club of Greensboro, the Capital Club, of Raleigh, and the Iroquois Club of Lexington, N. C.

LOUIS HENRY CLEMENT

Was born at Mocksville, N. C., January 19, 1854. He is a son of John Nearsdale Clement, a leading attorney, who practiced throughout the state and was a member of the Legislature, and a grandson of John Clement, who represented Rowan county in the Legislature for seventeen years and was for years clerk of the court of Davie county and an able lawyer.

His mother was Miss Mary Jane Hayden, a daughter of William Hayden, of Mocksville.

He was educated at the Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Pa., from which his father was graduated in class of 1849. He graduated in the class of 1876 and was married to Miss Mamie C. Buehler, a daughter of Hon. E. B. Buehler, a prominent attorney of that place, in November, 1878. He studied law in next to the last class taught by Hon. Richmond Pearson at Richmond Hill, and was licensed to practice in June, 1877. He first practiced in Davie county, forming a partnership with Hon. Kerr Craig, which lasted for twenty years or until 1900, when the firm was dissolved. Since that date he has practiced alone at Salisbury.

He was solicitor of the Inferior court of Davie county and of the 8th Judicial district by appointment to fill the unexpired term of Joseph Dobson.

He has four sons: Hayden Clement, an attorney, and fourth generation of attorneys; E. B. Clement, a student at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, who will graduate June, 1906; Louis H. Clement, a student at the University of North Carolina and Louis H. Clement, in attendance at the graded school of Salisbury.

Mr. Clement is a Mason and a member of the Shrine and also an Elk.

BAYARD THURMAN FALLS

Was born January 28, 1879. His father was J. Z. Falls, a farmer and magistrate, and his mother, Miss Katherine Cline, a daughter of David Cline, a farmer. He was educated at Wake Forest College, graduating in the class of 1903. He first taught school in Shelby, and was principal of the graded school for two years. He was elected County Superintendent of Cleveland county by the people in 1905. While at college in the Howler contest he was voted the most industrious student at the institution the contest being decided by a vote of the students.

He has written a clearly worded pamphlet entitled, "Teachers' Manual," outlining how each topic should be taught in the schools, and has otherwise acquitted himself creditably in his new office.

He is an Odd Fellow and a member of the Baptist church.

JAMES SAMUEL McCUBBINS

Was born in Iredell county, November 17, 1848. His father was John A. McCubbins, a farmer of Iredell county, and his mother Miss Sarah J. Privett, daughter of an Iredell county farmer. He was educated in private schools in Salisbury and entered business life in 1866 as a clerk with his uncle J. S. McCubbins, in general merchandise line in Salisbury and continued in that line for about fifteen years. In 1878 he went into fire insurance and built up a good business which he conducted alone until 1902, when he associated with him E. H. Harris, the style of the firm being McCubbins & Harris. This firm writes a large general fire and life insurance business, representing the best companies for years past. The firm has recently incorporated as the Guarantee Loan Realty and Insurance Company, of which Mr. McCubbins is president; E. P. Wharton, of Greensboro, vice-president and E. H. Harris, secretary. In 1874, he was elected county treasurer and filled that office for twenty-six years. In 1901 he was elected city treasurer and held this office for four years.

He is a director of the Salisbury branch of the Wachovia Loan and Trust Co., and a director in the People's Loan and Trust Company,

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and the Brown Furniture Company. He was at one time a director in the Salisbury Knitting Mill, a charter member of the Salisbury Building and Loan Association, secretary and treasurer and director in North Main Street Realty Company, a successful institution, and helped organize both the Vance and Kesler cotton mills. He is also treasurer of the Dixie Novelty Co., of Salisbury, N. C. He has always taken an active interest in every enterprise tending to build up Salisbury or Rowan county.

He married Mrs. Nora Lucky, a daughter of Frank Neely, a farmer and mill owner of Rowan county. Mrs. McCubbins was educated at West Town College, Pennsylvania and Guilford College, N. C.

He is the father of two daughters and two sons.

THOS. HUME

Was born at Portsmouth, Va., October 21, 1836, the eldest son of Thomas Hume, who was a minister for forty years in Portsmouth and Norfolk, Va., a director of the Seaboard Railroad, president of the Portsmouth Insurance Company, the Portsmouth Provident Society, the Virginia Baptist General Association, treasurer of Chesapeake College and trustee of several public institutions.

His mother was Miss Mary Anne Gregory, a daughter of Richard Baynham Gregory, of Gloucester county, Virginia, a distinguished physician, of English origin. Her mother's people were most of them North Carolinians. He was a student at Richmond College, receiving the degrees of A. B., A. M. and D. D., and later at the University of Virginia, where he took diplomas in several departments. The degree of LL. D. was conferred on him by Wake Forest College, N. C. His early manhood was spent as a professor in Virginia colleges, but for twenty years he has been professor of English literature in the University of North Carolina.

He was a chaplain in the Confederate army in the field, but during the siege of Petersburg was post chaplain in charge of the sick and wounded throughout the shelling of that place, and the stirring days that concluded the war between the states.

He is a member of the Baptist church. Shortly after becoming a college professor a few months before the Civil War. He was ordained a minister and has rendered constant service, having many duties assigned to him as a representative man.

He married Miss Anne Louise Whitescarver, a daughter of Rev. William A. Whitescarver, of the Valley of Virginia.

He is the father of four children, three daughters and a son, Mrs. Anne Wilmer Vance, wife of Professor W. R. Vance, Dean of George Washington University Law School, Washington, D. C., Miss Mary Gregory Hume and Helen Hume, of Chapel Hill, N. C., and Thomas Hume, Jr., now principal of the high school of Winston, N. C.

THOMAS M. PITTMAN

Was born in Franklin county, N. C., November 24, 1857, a son of Alfred H. Pittman, of that county. His mother was before her marriage Miss Elizabeth Alston Neathery. His school education was in the private and common schools of the country near his home, and he spent some time at Belford Academy, in Franklin county, under Wm. J. King. His law studies were prosecuted in the offices of Guion & Flemming at Charlotte, N. C., under the immediate direction of W. W. Flemming. He was admitted to the bar in June, 1878, when twenty years of age, and to the South Carolina bar in April, 1881. He was also admitted to the Federal courts in the fall of 1878, and appointed Examiner in Equity for the Western District of North Carolina.

He was married in June, 1884, to Mrs. Harriet Lassiter of Henderson, Vance county, daughter of Capt. James R. Thrower. He located in Henderson in the fall of 1885. His practice has been general and satisfactory. He has been general counsel for Vance county, the town of Henderson and special counsel for other towns and counties; general counsel for the Bank of Henderson and other bodies; and has drawn many important corporate charters and legislative bills, including the charter of the Charlotte Street Railway Co., of which company he was made president at its organization, but retired before the construction of the railway.

He is not a member of any secret society, but is a member of various historical societies and of the Con-

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temporary Club of Henderson. He is a member of the Henderson Baptist church, and has been deacon, clerk and Sunday-School superintendent; vice-president of the N. C. Baptist State convention and for a number of years a member of its board of missions, vice-president of the American Baptist Historical Society, Philadelphia, and is chairman of the executive committee of the Vance Baptist Union.

His leisure and spare moneys have been devoted to gathering and studying the historical materials of North Carolina, and his collection of books, pamphlets, manuscripts and papers relating to that subject will embrace probably a thousand or more titles. He has written a few papers and addresses, as follows, in part:

The Great Sanhedrin of the Jews and Its Criminal Procedure, never published.

The Preparation for Baptist Work in North Carolina. Published.

The Revolutionary Congresses of North Carolina. Published.

Willie Jones, Democrat. Published.

John Porter and the Cary Rebellion. Published.

John Penn—One of the North Carolina Signers of the Declaration of Independence. Published.

The Race Question and Socialism. Not Published.

English Words. Not published.

Lemuel Burkitt. Published.

Nathaniel Macon. Fourth of July at Guilford Battle Ground. Published.

Various Sketches for the Biographical History of North Carolina, formerly Men of Mark, including one of some importance on Gov. W. W. Holden, and a number of shorter pieces.

He has not held office and thinks he is not likely to do so.

He has two children, a daughter, Elizabeth, at home, and a son, Thomas M., Jr., on the engineering corps of the Illinois Central Railroad, and now located in Illinois.

HUGH MacRAE

Was born at Carbonton, Moore county, N. C., March 30, 1865, a son of Donald MacRae, a capitalist and president of the Navassa Guano Co. His mother was Miss Julia Norton, of Charlestown, Mass, a daughter of Jethro Norton, of Livermore, Maine. He was educated in Bingham's school, Mebanesville, N. C., and the Massachusettes Institute of Technology, of Boston.

Since leaving school he has been a mining engineer for three years, president of the Linnville Improvement Company and the Wilmington Cotton Mills for about five years, and president of the Wilmington Gas Light Company, Wilmington Street Railway Company and the Wilmington Seacoast Railway Co.; afterwards these enterprises were united as the Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.

He is largely interested in banking and investment securities. He was also an alderman for the city of Wilmington "after the revolution."

He was baptized in the Episcopal church. He married Miss Rena Nelson, a daughter of Benjamin F. Nelson, supreme reporter of the Knights of Honor of St. Louis, Mo. He has two children, Nelson, aged eleven, and Agnes, aged eight years.

F. D. WINSTON

Was born at Windsor, N. C., October 2, 1857, a son of Patrick Henry Winston, an attorney who was twice a member of the General Assembly, a member of the Board of Internal Improvements, the Council of State, and the North Carolina Court of Claims.

His mother was Miss Martha Elizabeth Byrd, a daughter of Wilder Byrd, who died at the age of thirty years.

He was educated in the Horner school, Oxford, N. C., Fetters school at Henderson, N. C., Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., the University of North Carolina, Dick & Dillard's Law School, Greensboro, N. C.

He was a State Senator in 1887, a member of the House of Representatives in 1901 and 1903; clerk of the Superior court in 1881 and 1882; judge of the Superior court from 1901 to 1902; lieutenant governor of North Carolina in 1905, and has been trustee of the University of North Carolina since 1887.

He is a Mason and an Elk. He is now Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina. He is a member of the Episcopal church and is junior warden of St. Thomas' Parish.

He married Miss Rosa Mary Kenney, a daughter of Dr. S. B. Kenney, late of the U. S. A., of Portsmouth, Va., who now lives in Windsor, N. C.

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W. D. PRUDEN

Was born in Hertford county, N. C., February 2, 1847, a son of William Dossey Pruden, a farmer who was for many years a justice of the peace and a member of the old county court. His mother was Miss Martha Garrett Riddick, a daughter of James A. Riddick, a farmer. He was educated at Union Male Academy of Harnellsville, Hertford county, N. C., and in the University of Virginia.

He has practiced law for the past thirty-six years, and has devoted his entire energies and ability to his chosen profession. He was mayor of Edenton in 1875 and 1876.

He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, a vestryman in the Episcopal church and has been twice married. In 1872 he married Miss Mary G. Norfleet, a daughter of James E. Norfleet, a merchant of Edenton, who died in 1889. His second wife was Miss Annie A. Wood, a daughter of Edward Wood, a farmer of Edenton, N. C. He is the father of James Norfleet Pruden, his law partner; Miss Mary W. Pruden and Miss Margaret H. Pruden, children of his first wife; and Wm. Dossey Pruden, Jr., son of his second wife.

REV. ALEXANDER DOAK McCLURE, A. M., D. D.

Was born in Lewisburg, Tennessee, July 9, 1850, a son of Robert G. McClure, a physician, who was an elder in the Presbyterian church and a member of the convention of 1861. He was colonel of the 41st Tennessee regiment Confederate States Army and was clerk and commissioner of the Chancery court. His mother was Miss Mary Elizabeth Ewing, a daughter of Allen Lyle Ewing, a prominent merchant, farmer and citizen, and an elder in the Presbyterian church. He was educated in Princeton College, N. J., and Princeton Theological Seminary. He has been president of Seamen's Bethel, and president of Associated Charities. He is a member of the Masons, Blue Lodge Chapter and Commandery, and I. O. O. F.

He is pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Wilmington, N. C.

He married Miss Frances R. Callaway, a daughter of a successful farmer, William Edwin Callaway, of Henry county, Kentucky, and is the father of a daughter and two sons, Alexander M. McClure, an attorney in practice at Louisville, Ky., Robert Edwin McClure and Elizabeth Lyle McClure.

DR. C. O. H. LAUGHINGHOUSE

Was born February 25, 1871, a son of Joseph John Laughinghouse, a farmer who was a judge in the Inferior court, and a member of the Legislature of 1904. His mother was Miss Eliza O'Hagan, a daughter of Charles James O'Hagan, a physician, and president of the North Carolina Medical Society, and a delegate from the United States to the International Medical Congress and vice-president of the American Medical Association.

He was edfucated in the Horner School, the University of North Carolina and the University of Pennsylvania.

He has practiced medicine since 1893, and was coroner of Pitt county six years; superintendent of health six years; president of Pitt County Medical Society; chairman of Section of Surgery Medical Society of North Carolina, and president of Board of Medical Examiners of North Carolina.

He is a member of the Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Red Men.

He married Miss Carrie Virginia Dail, a daughter of William Haywood Dail, a merchant of Snow Hill, N. C., and is the father of three children, a girl and two boys, Miss Helen Laughinghouse, Chas. O'H. Laughinghouse, Jr., and William Haywood Laughinghouse.

R. H. SPEIGHT, M. D.

Was born in Edgecombe county, January 5, 1847, a son of John F. Speight, a minister of the Methodist Protestant church, who was a judge of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for a good many years. His mother was Miss Emma Lewis, a daughter of Exum Lewis, a farmer and merchant. He was educated in private schools and the University of North Carolina. He graduated in medicine at the University of Maryland. He has spent the period since

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in the practice of medicine and farming. He was director of Central Hospital at Raleigh, N. C., from 1894 to 1900; a member of the State Senate in 1891-1899 and 1901, and is now a director of the State prison. He is a member of the Methodist Protestant church.

His first wife was Miss Margaret A. Powell, a daughter of Jesse H. Powell, a farmer of Edgecombe county. His second wife was Margaret Whitefield, a daughter of George W. Whitefield, an attorney of Wilson, N. C. The following children have been the result of this union: Robert P., dead, Henry L., a farmer, Fannie W., Marry P., a trained nurse, Richard H., Jr., assistant physician in State Hospital at Morganton Jessie P., teacher, George W., a machinist, Joseph P., a medical student, Seth E., a farmer, Frank J. Ambler and E. Carr; the last three are schoolboys.

HON. C. R. THOMAS

Was born at Beaufort, N. C., August 21, 1861, a son of Hon. Charles R. Thomas, an attorney and a member of the convention of 1861, who was president of the A. & N. C. R. R., Secretary of State of North Carolina, a judge of the Superior court and a member of Congress. His mother was Emily Pitkin, the daughter of a merchant.

He was educated at the University of North Carolina, from which he graduated in 1881, and in Dick and Dillard's Law School, Greensboro, N. C., He received his license to practice law in 1882. He was a member of the Legislature in 1887, presidential elector in 1896. He was first elected to Congress in 1898, and began his term March 4, 1899. He has served in the 56th, 57th, 58th and 59th Congresses with notable ability.

He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Royal Arcanum.

HUGH REID SCOTT

Was born January 9, 1855, in Rockingham county, N. C., a son of William Scott, a farmer and merchant, and chairman of the county court for several years before the constitution of 1868. His mother was Miss Rhoda Reid, a daughter of Reuben Reid, a farmer who was also the father of Gov. David S. Reid, and owned the land whereon is located the town of Reidsville.

He was educated at Wake Forest College. After leaving college, he attended Judge Pearson's law school and obtained his license in 1877 and has been in active practice ever since, and has been president of the Citizens Bank of Reidsville since its organization in January, 1885.

He was a member of the State Senate in 1881 and again in 1883, but had no further political aspirations.

LIVINGSTON JOHNSON

Was born November 7, 1857, a son of Duncan Johnson, a farmer. His mother was Miss Catherine Livingston a daughter of Charles Livingston, a farmer.

He was educated in Spring Hill High School and Wake Forest College. He is a minister in the Baptist denomination and has been in charge of pastorates at Rockingham, Lumberton and the First Baptist church at Greensboro, and is at present Secretary of the Baptist State convention of North Carolina. He married Miss Fannie Memory, a daughter of Thomas Memory, a merchant of Whitsville, N. C. He has four children, three girls, Miss Foy, in college, Miss Frances, in High school and Miss Mary Lynch in graded school. His only son, Wingate Memory, is a medical student.

JOSIAH WILLIAM BAILEY

Third child and second son of C. T. and Annie L. Bailey, was born in Warrenton, N. C., in 1873, his parents, the father Scotch-Irish, the mother British, having come from Virginia a few years before.

He was educated in the city schools of Raleigh, six years, the Raleigh Male Academy two years, Wake Forest College four years, receiving from that institution the degree of B. A.

Immediately upon graduating, in 1893, Mr. Bailey took up the work his father had had for eighteen

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years—the editing and management of the Biblical Recorder, his father having, after a long and useful career as minister and editor, been disabled by a stroke of paralysis. Upon his father's death in 1895, Mr. Bailey was formally elected editor of the Biblical Recorder by the the Baptist State Convention. This position he now holds.

He is head of the Anti-Saloon League of North Carolina. As editor and personally before the General Assembly took an active part in the agitation (1895-1899) in behalf of the free schools. Was secretary of the local taxation campaign of 1897. Was member of the State Board of Agriculture under both Fusion and Democratic administrations. Has been a member of the Raleigh Township school committee ten years. Served as president of the Baptist Young People's Union of North Carolina. Is a member of the boards of trustees of Wake Forest College, Baptist Woman's University, Shaw University, State Board of Missions and Sunday-Schools, American Baptist Education Society, American Baptist Historical Society and other administrative bodies. Is director of the Progressive Farmer and the Merchants' Journal, and president of the Mutual Publishing Company.

Is well known throughout the state as a speaker and writer.

JOSEPH HOWELL WAY

Was born in Waco, Texas, November 22, 1865, a son of Charles Burr Way, an attorney and farmer, who was the first mayor of Waco after its incorporation in the early fifties; a member of the Texas Legislature, and a circuit judge in Texas. He removed to Asheville, N. C., in 1872 and became a farmer and became interested in the public school system of Buncombe county and superintendent of Buncombe county schools for a number of years. His mother was Martha Julia Howell, a native of Haywood county, N. C., a daughter of David Howell, of Jonathan's Creek in Haywood county, N. C., a substantial farmer.

He was instructed by his father at home until he began teaching in public schools of Buncombe county under a first grade teacher's certificate in 1882 under the Rev. James Atkins, who was then county superintendent of schools of Buncombe. During this year he also began the study of medicine and began teaching and studying for the next two years.

He attended the Medical College of Virginia in 1884 and 1885 and was licensed by the North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners in 1885. He graduated from the Vanderbilt University in 1886 and during March of that year settled at Waynesville, N. C., where he has since resided. He is devoted to his chosen profession and is a constant student, owning one of the largest professional libraries in the state, and is a frequent contributor to the medical journals. Dr. Way was chairman of the board of commissioners of the Waynesville dispensary for ten years, the first dispensary established in North Carolina, and still operated under the rules framed by Dr. Way, Attorney General R. D. Gilmer and Colonel G. W. Clayton, its first board of commissioners appointed in 1894. He was for ten years superintendent of health for Haywood county.

He is a member of the Knights of Pythias, A. F. & A. M. He has been Grand Regent and for the past ten years Grand Secretary of the Royal Arcanum.

He has held nearly every office in the gift of the Medical Society of North Carolina. He was a member of the State Board of Medical Examiners and secretary of that board for five years, and on the day of his retirement was elected secretary of the State Medical Society and has been re-elected for the past four years.

Governor Glenn appointed him a member of the State Board of Health for the term beginning May, 1905, and ending May, 1911. He is a surgeon for the Southern Railway and a member of various state and national medical societies.

He was married July 3, 1888, to Miss Marietta Welch, a daughter of the late Dr. Robert V. Welch, of Waynesville, N. C., and is the father of a daughter and a son, Miss Hilda Way and J. Howell Way, Jr.

He is regarded as one of the foremost physicians of North Carolina, and one of the leading citizens of Waynesville and Haywood county.

Dr. D. T. Tayloe, president of the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina, in his annual address of 1905, delivered in Greensboro in May

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of that year in speaking of the growth of the society, says:

"I wish to add that this fine showing is to a large extent due to the efforts of our efficient secretary, Dr. J. Howell Way, who has spent much time and energy in furthering the progress of this great work, there being few men who could have accomplished such results."

HON. W. W. KITCHIN

Was born at Scotland Neck, N. C., October 9, 1866, a son of William Hodge Kitchen, an attorney who was a member of the North Carolina Legislature and a member of Congress from this state. His mother was Miss Maria F. Arrington, a daughter of William Walton Arrington, a planter. He was educated in Wake Forest College and has been a successful attorney, and since March 4, 1897, a member of Congress.

He is a Mason, an Odd Fellow and Pythian and a missionary of the Baptist church.

He married Miss Musette Satterfield, a daughter of William Clement Satterfield, of Roxboro, N. C., and is the father of three daughters and a son: Sue Arrington, Anniemaria, Elizabeth and Clement Kitchen. One son, Wm. Walton Kitchen, Jr., died.

F. A. WOODARD

Was born in Wilson, N. C., February 12, 1854, a son of Dr. Stephen Woodard, a prominent physician of that county. His mother was Miss May Hadley, a daughter of Thomas Hadley, a farmer. He was educated in the high school of Wilson county, and Chief Justice Pearson's law school. Since his admission to the bar he has been in active practice of law in Wilson. He was elected to Congress in 1892 and 1894.

He is a member of the board of stewards of the Methodist church of Wilson.

He has been twice married. His first wife was Miss Fannie E. Rauntree, a daughter of Moses Rauntree, a merchant. His second wife was Miss Roe Ella Robbins, a daughter of Rev. J. H. Robbins, a member of the North Carolina Methodist conference. He has one son who is a merchant.

R. J. REYNOLDS

Was born in Patrick county, Virginia, July 20, 1853, a son of Hardin W. Reynolds, a farmer, merchant and tobacco manufacturer, who was captain of the militia and held other public offices of honor and trust. His mother was Miss Nancy Cox, a daughter of Joshua Cox, of Stokes county, North Carolina, and a grand-daughter of Joshua Cox, a patriot and warrior of Revolutionary days. He attended Emory and Henry College, Va., and Bryant and Stratton's Business College in Baltimore.

He first engaged in the manufacture of tobacco in Patrick county, Virginia, and later in 1875, moved to Winston-Salem, N. C., and engaged there in that business and has become one of the largest manufacturers of flat plug tobacco in the world.

He is a member of the Masonic fraternity and the B. P. O. E.

He married Mary Katherine Smith, daughter of Zachary Taylor Smith, of Mt. Airy, N. C.

THEODORE F. KLUTTZ

Was born at Salisbury, N. C., October 4, 1848, a son of Caleb Kluttz, a farmer, who was at one time sheriff of Rowan county, 1847-1857. His mother was Miss Elizabeth Moose, a daughter of a farmer. He was educated in the public schools, and in the Salisbury Academy. Since 1868 he has been senior partner of Theodore F. Kluttz Co., in the drug business. He is president of the Davis & Wiley Bank, vice-president of the Salisbury Cotton Mills and vice-president of the Yadkin Railroad Co. He was a representative in Congress from the Seventh District of North Carolina in the 56th and 58th Congresses, and from the Eighth District of North Carolina in 58th Congress and absolutely declined nomination to the 59th Congress, returning home to give better attention to his large law practice.

He is an Odd Fellow, a member of the Knights of Pythias, Royal Arcanum, Heptasophs and Jr. O. U. A. M., and is a deacon in the First Presbyterian church of Salisbury, N. C.

He married Miss Sallie C. Caldwell, a daughter of Honorable J. P. Cald-

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well, of Statesville, who was a lawyer and member of Congress. He is the father of Theo. F. Kluttz, Jr., and Whitehead Kluttz, both lawyers, the former a member of the editorial staff of the Charlotte Observer. He has two daughters, Miss Jeanie Caldwell Kluttz, and Kathleen Kluttz, both unmarried.

RT. REV. ROBERT STRANGE, D. D.

Was born in Wilmington, N. C., December 6, 1857, a son of a prominent attorney, Robert Strange, Sr. His mother was Miss Caroline Wright, a daughter of Thomas H. Wright, president of the Bank of Cape Fear.

He was educated at the Horner and Graves school, and the University of North Carolina. He has been a member of the Episcopal clergy for the greater part of his career, and is now Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina.

He married Miss Elizabeth S. Buford, a daughter, of F. E. Buford, of Lawrenceville, Va. Her father was a farmer attorney and county judge.

He is the father of two children, a daughter and son.

J. ALLEN HOLT

Was born in Hillsdale, Guilford county, N. C., December 22, 1852, a son of John Foust Holt, a farmer, who was highly esteemed by his party, but declined many offers of nominations for political offices.

He is of the well known family of North Carolina Holts, a direct descendant of Michael Holt, who first settled in Alamance county, about the year 1700, whose descendants have been so prominently connected with the cotton milling industry.

His mother was Miss Louisa J. Williams, a daughter of James Williams.

He was educated at Oak Ridge Institute. Was for a short time at Williams College, Mass., and completed his education at Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio. He has been senior proprietor of Oak Ridge Institute for thirty-one years but has been interested in mercantile business and banking and at present is a director in the City National Bank of Greensboro and in the North State Fire Insurance Co.

Has been chairman of the Board of Education of Guilford county for twenty years and a member of the board of trustees of the University of North Carolina.

He is a member of the Junior Order of American Mechanics and the Methodist Protestant church and is a trustee of his church.

He married Miss Sallie Knight, a daughter of Pinkney Knight, a farmer of Rockingham county. He is the father of three children, a girl and two boys. His eldest son is Professor Earle Holt, of the Oak Ridge Institute.

DR. E. A. MOYE, JR.

Was born near Greenville, Pitt county, July, 1869, a son of Elbert A. Moye, a farmer who was clerk of the Superior court for fourteen years, and was a member of both houses of the State Legislature. His mother was Miss Mary Louisa Edwards, a daughter of Charles Edwards, a member of the State Senate from Lenoir county for many years.

He graduated from the University of North Carolina in the class of 1893 with the degree of Ph. B., and from Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia in 1895; then spent a year as interne in the Jefferson Medical College Hospital. Since leaving college he has been practising medicine in Greenville.

He is a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Church of the Disciples of Christ.

He married in 1897, Miss Hortense Forbes, a daughter of Alfred Forbes, for years the most prominent merchant of Greenville. They have been blessed with two children, both boys, one of whom died when two years old. The other boy is now five years of age.

Dr. Moye has always taken a prominent part in the advancement of Greenville and has been very successful both as a physician and in his business investments. He has one of the largest and most lucrative practices in the state. He has exercised such prudence and business ability in his investments that he is now practically independent.

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EDWIN YATES WEBB

Is a lawyer by profession. He was born at Shelby, N. C., May 23, 1872, a son of Rev. G. M. Webb, a Baptist minister. His mother was Miss Priscilla J. Blanton, a daughter of George Blanton, a merchant and farmer. He was educated at Shelby Military Institute, Wake Forest College, University of North Carolina, and the University of Virginia. He was State Senator 1901-1903. Was elected to the House of Representatives of the United States in 1902, and again to the 59th Congress in 1904.

He is a member of the Woodmen of the World, and the Baptist church, and is a trustee of Wake Forest College.

He married Miss Willie F. Simmons, a daughter of Doctor William Gaston Simmons, a professor of Wake Forest College, N. C. He has two children, a girl, Mary Elizabeth, and a boy, Edwin Yates Webb, Jr.

CHARLES FRANCIS MESERVE

Was born at North Abington, Plymouth county, Mass., July 15, 1850, a son of Charles Meserve, a shoemaker. His mother was Miss Susanna Blanchard, a daughter of Oliver Blanchard, a veteran of the war of 1812.

He was educated at the High School of North Abington, Mass., the Classical Institute of Waterville, Maine; and the Colby University, Maine.

He has been for twelve years president of Shaw University, of Raleigh, N. C., an institution under the direction of the American Baptist Home Mission Society. He is a member of the First Baptist church of Raleigh, N. C.

He married Fannie J. Philbrick, the daughter of a master mechanic, of the Maine Central Railway, of Waterville, Maine.

He is the father of one daughter, a recent graduate of Vassar College.

JUDGE FREDERICK PHILIPS

Was born in Edgecombe county, North Carolina, June 14, 1838, a son of James Jones Philips, the leading phycisian and planter of Edgecombe county. His mother was Miss Harriet A. Burt, a daughter of William Burt, a planter.

He was educated at St. James College, Maryland, and the University of North Carolina. Was for a long time a trustee of this institution; at the time of his death a member of the executive committee. He has been Clerk and Master in Equity for Nash county, engrossing clerk of the Legislature of North Carolina from 1864-65; mayor of Tarboro; president of Pamlico Insurance and Banking Company, of Tarboro, N. C., and judge of the Superior court of North Carolina from 1882 to 1890. He was a member of the Masonic order and senior warden of the Calvary Episcopal church of Tarboro, N. C.

He married Miss Martha S. Hyman, a daughter of Henry Hyman, the leading merchant of Tarboro, N. C., and planter of Edgecombe county, and is the father of eight children, five daughters and three sons: Miss Annie Hyman Philips married Herbert Jackson, assistant cashier of Commercial and Farmers' Bank, Raleigh, N. C.; James Jones Philips, physician, Tarboro, N. C.; Miss Mary Philips, who married Henry G. Wood, of Edenton, N. C., a fishery owner and planter; Miss Martha Washington Philips, who married Dr. John Franklin Woodward, of Norfolk, Va.; Miss Josephine Philips, who married Albert Pike, of Washington, D. C., a member of the U. S. Geological Survey; Miss Leila Burt Philips, of Tarboro, N. C.; Frederick Philips, a planter of Tarboro, N. C.; Henry Hyman Phillips, of Tarboro, N. C., and a law student at the University of North Carolina.

WILLIAM LOUIS POTEAT

Was born in Caswell county, North Carolina, October 20, 1856, a son of James Poteat, a planter and captain in the North Carolina militia before the war between the states. His mother was Miss Julia Annise McNeill, a daughter of Hosea McNeill, a planter.

He was educated by private governesses and later in an academy in Yanceyville, and graduated from Wake Forest College in the class of 1877.

Has taught in Wake Forest College since 1878, and has held the following offices: President North Carolina

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Teachers' Assembly, Academy of Science, and Literary and Historical Association. He was elected president of Wake Forest College June 22, 1905.

He is a member of the Wake Forest Baptist church.

He married Miss Emma J. Purefoy, a daughter of the Reverend Addison F. Purefoy, of Wake Forest, N. C. He is the father of Hubert McNeill Poteat, Louie Poteat and Helen Poteat.

HUBERT ASHLEY ROYSTER

Was born November 19, 1871, a son of Dr. W. I. Royster, a physician. His mother was Miss Mary Wills Finch, a daughter of the Rev. J. J. Finch, a Baptist minister.

He was educated at the Raleigh Male Academy and took the degree of A. B. at Wake Forest College in 1891 and graduated from the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania with the degree of M. D., in 1894.

He was resident surgeon of Mercy Hospital of Pittsburg, Pa., in 1894-'95. He moved to Raleigh, N. C., in September, 1895, and since then has devoted his attention chiefly to general surgery and diseases of women.

He is Dean of the faculty and professor of gynecology of the medical department of the University of North Carolina. He is surgeon to the Southern Railway Co.; gynecologist to Rex Hospital; surgeon-in-chief to St. Agnes Hospital.

He is a member of the Kappa Alpha (Southern) fraternity, and is a member of the Baptist church.

He married Miss Louise Page, a daughter of Judge Henry Page, of the Maryland Court of Appeals, and a native of Princess Anne, Maryland. He is the father of a daughter and a son.

MARTIN S. WILLARD

Was born in Washington, N. C., January 17, 1858, a son of Albert A. Willard, a commission merchant, and his mother was Miss Mary Hannis Stevenson, a daughter of Martin Stevenson, cashier of the Bank of Washington, N. C.

He was educated in the high schools of Wilmington, N. C., and Hopkins Grammar School, preparatory to Yale College. He first entered commercial life as a local insurance agent at Wilmington and later established a general agency. He is now secretary of the Carolina Insurance Company. He was a member of the Legislature from New Hanover county in 1899 and 1901, and author of the North Carolina Insurance law known as the "Willard Bill,' and the law creating the office of Fire Marshall. He was also active in passing the present tax law relative to corporations.

He is a member of the Masons, Knights of Pythias and Red Men. He was Grand High Priest, Royal Arch Masons, 1898-9, Grand Captain General Grand Commandery Knights Templars 1905. He is a deacon in the First Presbyterian church of Wilmington.

He married Miss Elizabeth Gettig Oliver, a daughter of William H. Oliver, of New Bern, N. C.

W. P. RAGAN

Is of Scotch-Irish descent. He is the fourth son of Amos and Martha E. Ragan, and was born on the 5th day of April, 1868, two and one-half miles south of High Point, and was reared on a farm. He attended the public schools at Archdale and Springfield, a short distance from his home, until the year 1888, when he entered Guilford College and for two years was a student at this institution. After leaving Guilford College he then taught school at Bethany and Springfield.

In the year 1890 he became assistant postmaster at High Point, which position he held for about four years during Harrison's administration.

In the spring of 1894 he went to Alabama as a representative for the J. Van Lindley Nursery Company, of Pomona, N. C.

In the fall of 1894 he entered the University of North Carolina, where he took a course preparatory to the study of law. In 1895 he was deputy clerk of the Superior court at Greensboro, N. C., and while acting in this capacity he studied law under Dick and Dillard.

In September, 1896, he obtained license to practice law. In 1897 he formed a co-partnership with Major Charles M. Steadman, of Greensboro, and practiced law in High Point and Greensboro until the year 1900, when

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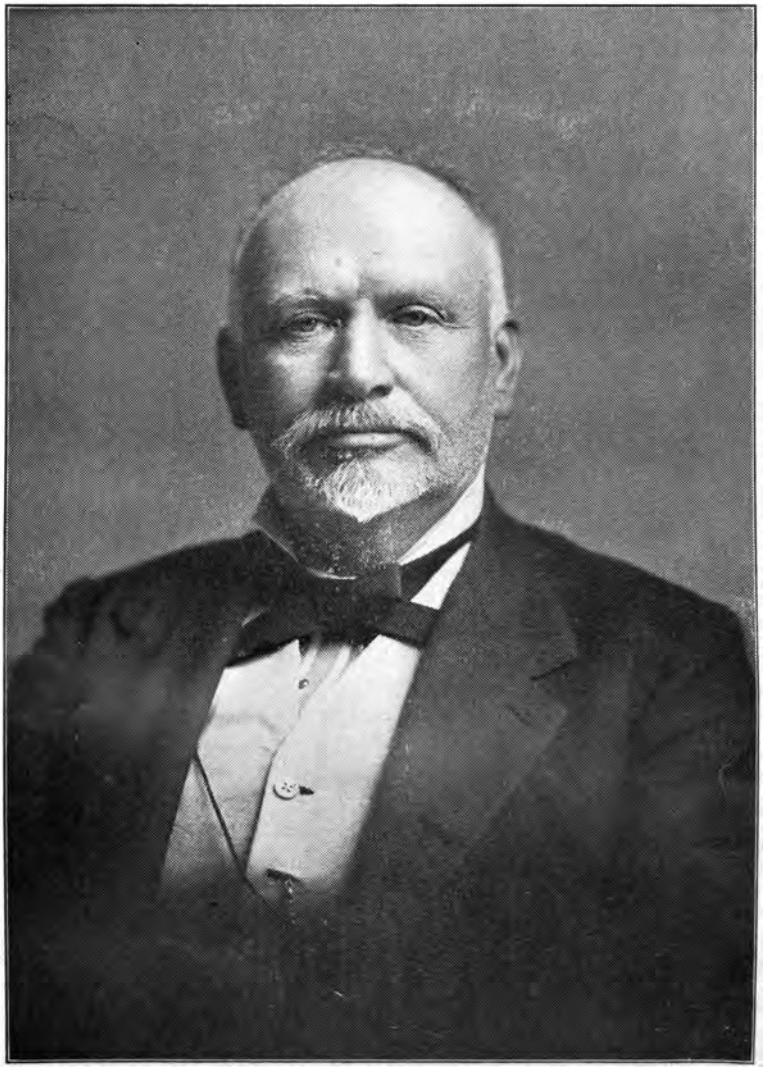

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this co-partnership was dissolved, since which time Mr. Ragan has continued his practice alone, both in High Point and Greensboro.

On March the 2d, 1905, he was married to Miss Elizabeth Gurley, of Windsor, North Carolina.

He is city attorney for High Point, and has a large and growing practice. In politics he is a Republican and in religion a Quaker.

In 1902 he was nominated for the State Senate by the Guilford county Republican convention, and, while defeated, he led his ticket by about 500 votes. He has canvassed Guilford and adjoining counties for the interest of the Republican party in every campaign since 1894.

WILLIAM THORNTON WHITSETT, A. M., PH. D.

Was born in Guilford county, N. C., August 5, 1868, a son of Joseph Bason Whitsett, a merchant and farmer of that county. His mother was Miss Mary L. Foust, a daughter of Jacob Foust, a merchant and planter.

He was educated at the North Carolina College and the University of North Carolina and has been president of Whitsett Institute, of Whitsett, N. C., since 1888. He has been secretary and treasurer of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, president of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly. For twelve years a member of the Guilford county Board of Education. He is a member of the American Academy of Political Economy of Philadelphia and a member of the Southern Historical Association, Washington, D. C., and the Phi Gamma Delta College fraternity and the Lutheran church.

MARK MORGAN

Was born in Harnett county, N. C., October 22, 1837, a son of R. E. Morgan, a blacksmith. His mother was Miss Mary Matthews, a daughter of John Matthews, a farmer.

He educated himself at home, and has been in the cotton mill business since 1845. He has been a magistrate and represented Scotland county in the Lower House of North Carolina Legislature in 1905.

He is a Mason and an Episcopalian. He married Miss Margaret L. Cameron, a daughter of Angus Cameron, a millwright who lived in Harnett county, N. C.

They have had four children, two of whom are living and two dead. The living are Mrs. K. A. Blue, of Laurinbury, N. C., and Mrs. W. H. Morrison, of Elmore, N. C. The dead are: Ida Malloy Morgan, who died at the age of 2 years in 1876; and Marcus Lander Morgan, the only son, who died five years ago, aged 35 years.

JAMES H. POU

Was born July 21, 1861, a son of Edward W. Pou, an attorney who was a member of the North Carolina Legislature one term. His mother was Miss Anna M. Smith, a daughter of James H. Smith, a planter and attorney.

He was educated at home and in the Smithfield Academy. Since entering business life he has been a farmer and one of the leading lawyers of the state. He was a representative in the House of the North Carolina Legislature one term, and in the Senate three terms.

He is a member of the Odd Fellows, and is allied with the Presbyterian church.

He married Miss Annie E. Walker, a daughter of a manufacturer of Asheboro, N. C. They have two children, Edith W., 15 years old, and James H., Jr., 12 years of age.

GEORGE TAYLOE WINSTON

Born in Windsor, N. C., October 12, 1852, son of Patrick Henry Winston, attorney and planter, and Martha Elizabeth Byrd. The Winston and Byrd families came from Virginia, and were famed for wealth, culture and talent. Colonel William Byrd, of Westover, was Governor of Virginia and founder of the city of Richmond. Sarah Winston was the mother of the Revolutionary orator, Patrick Henry.

George T. Winston was educated at the Horner School, University of North Carolina, United States Naval Academy and Cornell University. He was instructor of mathematics in Cor-

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nell University 1873-74, during his senior year there; and was graduated June, 1874. He was professor of Latin in the University of North Carolina 1875-91 and president of the same University in 1891-96. He was president of the University of Texas, 1896-99. Since 1899 he has been president of the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Married Miss Caroline Sophia Taylor, of Hinsdale, N. H. Has three sons: Lieut. Hollis Taylor Winston, U. S. N.; Lieut. Patrick Henry Winston, U. S. A.; and Lewis Taylor Winston, soon to graduate from the A. & M. College.

CHARLES MANLY STEDMAN

Was born in Pittsboro, N. C., January 29, 1841. His first tuition was under Rev. Daniel McGilvary, afterwards a missionary to Siam. Later he attended the Donaldson Academy in Fayetteville. In 1857 he entered the University of North Carolina and took first in each grade through the entire course, and was chosen for one of the orators of the Philanthropic Society, and delivered an address when President Buchanan visited the college in 1850. He graduated first in the class of 1861 with a grade much higher than the usual first honor man attains.

The war between the states broke out almost as soon as the doors of his college closed behind him and he immediately enlisted as a private in the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry and served in the First North Carolina regiment at the Battle of Bethel on June 10, 1861, the initial battle of the war which the Confederates won. When the 44th North Carolina regiment was organized, he was elected first lieutenant of Co. E., the Chatham company. This command was sent to Virginia, and served under Lee in most of his campaigns. He was promoted to the rank of captain and later to that of major upon his merits as a soldier. His gallantry won for him several of the Red Badges of Courage. He was wounded at the Wilderness, at Spottsylvania Court House, and on Squirrel Level Road in front of Petersburg. He was one of the twelve Confederates who fought in the Battle of Bethel, the first fight, and laid down their arms with Lee at Appomatox, the last engagement.

At the close of the war he studied law under the late Hon. John Manning, at Pittsboro, teaching school as well. He completed his law course in 1867, and moved to Wilmington, and built up a large practice in his chosen profession.

In 1884 he was nominated and elected Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina, on the ticket with Governor Scales. In 1880 he was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention which nominated General Hancock for president. In 1888 he was defeated for Governor of the state by Judge Fowle by a slight majority. In 1891 Major Stedman moved to Asheville because of the healthfulness of the climate that city enjoys. In 1898 he moved to Greensboro, where he has since practiced his profession.

He has served as president of the North Carolina Bar Association, and in the last election was defeated for the nomination for Governor by R. B. Glenn, after a close contest.

He has been opposed to monopolies and on May 2, 1881, was presented with a silver service by the people of Wilmington for destroying a monopoly.

He was married in 1866 to Miss Catherine De Rosset, a daughter of the late Dr. Joshua G. Wright, a prominent attorney of Wilmington.

THEODORE F. DAVIDSON

Was born in Haywood county, N. C., March 30, 1845. He was prepared for college by Colonel Stephen Lee and had been appointed a naval cadet at Annapolis, when the war between the states began. He enlisted on April 16th, 1861, being then in his sixteenth year, in the Buncombe Rifles, under W. W. McDowell, captain. This company was the first organized in North Carolina west of the Blue Ridge, and was assigned to the First North Carolina regiment and was disbanded at the end of the six months' term of its enlistment. Mr. Davidson then enlisted in Company C, of the 39th regiment, under Col. David Coleman, and served in the Western army. He was promoted to the office of sergeant-major, but after the Battle of Murfreesboro he

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was commissioned as aide to General Robert B. Vance, assigned to the military district of Western North Carolina. Later he served as assistant adjutant general on his brigade staff successively commanded by Col. John B. Palmer and General James G. Martin, and held this position until the close of the war.

He took part in the campaigns of Chickamauga, Cumberland Gap, Kentucky and East Tennessee; on about May 1st, 1865 a portion of his brigade fired the last guns of the war east of the Mississippi river.

Returning to Asheville, he resumed his studies under Col. Lee and in 1865 began the study of the law under J. L. Bailey and two years later was admitted to the bar. He entered into partnership with his father in the practice of law in 1868 and upon his father's retirement in 1882, he entered into partnership with Colonel James G. Martin, of Asheville.

He was elected solicitor of Clay county in 1867. This office was abolished by the constitution in 1868. He was selected chairman of the Democratic committee of Buncombe county in 1872, and discharged the duties of the post for ten years, being also, at that time, chairman of the Democratic Congressional executive committee of the 9th district.

He was elected from Buncombe and Madison counties to the State Senate in 1878, and two years later was re-elected to that body from the same district. He was appointed director in 1879, for the state at large, of the Western North Carolina Railroad, and in 1881 was made a director of the Western North Carolina Insane Asylum.

In 1882 he was appointed judge of the Criminal, or Inferior, Court of Buncombe county, and filled this position with credit until 1884, when he was elected attorney general of North Carolina and at the end of his term of office was re-elected for four years.

He then resumed the practice of the law and has a large clientele. In 1895 he was made mayor of Asheville and was elected to the General Assembly from Buncombe in 1902. He is now senior member of the law firm of Davidson, Bourne & Parker.

In 1866 he married Miss Sarah Katherine Alexander, a daughter of Capt. A. M. Alexander, of French Broad. She died in July, 1887. In 1893 he married Sarah, daughter of Colonel D. M. Carter.

PAUL B. MEANS

Was born two and a half miles west of Concord, April 7, 1845, a son of General Wm. C. Means, a very progressive and successful farmer. His mother was Miss Catherine Jane Barringer, a daughter of General Paul Barringer, and Elizabeth Brandon. Her father was a farmer and successful merchant who was several times a member of the State Legislature and a brigadier general in the war of 1812, commissioned by Governor William Hawkins, December 23, 1812, and ratified by both houses of the General Assembly.

He was educated in the high schools in Concord until 1859, then at the famous school of Dr. Alexander Wilson at Melville, Alamance county, N. C., and at the University of North Carolina, from which he graduated June 4, 1868, in the last class under Governor Swain's administration, having left the University in 1863 and volunteered as a private in Company F, 5th N. C. Cavalry, and served as a soldier until the end of the war. After leaving college he studied law with Chief Justice Pearson and was licensed to practice in January, 1870, and has been in continuous practice in Concord since January 17, 1870. He represented Cabarrus county in the State Legislature in 1874-1875 and was a State Senator in 1885 and again in 1889. Since February 4, 1876, he has continuously been counsel of the Southern and old Richmond & Danville Railway Companies.

He married, November 27, 1894, Miss Moselle Foard, a daughter of Maj. R. W. Foard, a prominent merchant of Concord and an extensive farmer.

HON. WILLIAM A. BLAIR

Was born at High Point, N. C., June 4, 1860. He is a son of S. I. Blair, of Scotch descent, a farmer and teacher of Guilford county. His mother was Miss Abigail Hunt, granddaughter of Nathan Hunt, the celebrated Quaker minister who was largely instrumental in the founding of Guilford College, and the descendant of seven generations of Quaker preachers.

Col. Blair received his early education at Guilford College, N. C., and later at Haverford College, Pa. He

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was graduated from Harvard University in 1882 and in 1883 became a professor in the State Normal School. In 1885 he was elected superintendent of the High School of Winston, N. C., but resigned to take a post graduate course in Johns Hopkins University, from which he obtained the degree of Ph. D. He returned in 1887 to North Carolina as superintendent of the State Normal School at Winston and became editor and owner of the "School Teacher," the largest educational magazine in the South.

He was North Carolina's representative to the Paris Exposition and delegate to the World Sunday-School Convention in London in 1889, during which year he traveled extensively in Europe and received the degree of A. M. and LL. D.

He became president of the People's National Bank in 1890 and in 1896 vice-president of a banking combination and has written notable articles on financial questions, a pamphlet on "Banks of Issue" and the History of Banking in North Carolina for Knox's History of Banking in the United States.

He has for a number of years been prominently identified with the religious, educational and industrial upbuilding of his state and the South generally, not forgetting every public enterprise of his chosen home of Winston. He is now in the active practice of the legal profession and vice-president, cashier and manager of The People's National Bank. Was a member of the U. S. Assay Commission in 1905.

E. A. OSBORNE

Was born May 6, 1837, a son of Ephraim Brevard Osborne, a physician. His mother was Miss Nan Smith, daughter of a Virginia planter, who moved to Alabama early in the nineteenth century.

Mr. Osborne was educated at the Statesville Military Academy before the war between the states. He went into the army early in 1861 and rose from the rank of second lieutenant to that of colonel of the Fourth regiment of North Carolina state troops and was wounded in three battles. At the close of the war he was appointed clerk of the Superior court of Mecklenburg county, and was twice elected to that office. Studied law and was licensed to practice in 1867. In 1875 he resigned, and completed his studies for the ministry of the Episcopal church, to which he was ordained in 1877 and is now archdeacon of the Convocation of Charlotte.

He married Fannie Swann Moore, daughter of Alexander Duncan Moore, a rice planter, who made his home in Wilmington.

His children are: Mrs. Mary Lloyd Clarkson, wife of Heriot Clarkson, Esq., A. D. M. Osborne, cashier of Kern County Land Company, of Bakersfield, California, Francis M. Osborne, a priest of the Episcopal church Charlotte, Miss Josephine Ashe Osborne, a teacher in the graded schools of Charlotte, Ephraim Brevard Osborne, an accountant of Charlotte, N. C.

HENRY BRANSON VARNER

Was born near the village of Denton, in Davidson county, North Carolina, on April 12, 1870. He spent his boyhood days in the country and grew to that sturdy manhood so often attained by the "horny handed sons of toil." The country schools were his only means of obtaining an education, and a longing desire for collegiate advantages have not been realized. Yet, undaunted by disappointments and handicapped by environments, Mr. Varner is prominent today in the social, business, and political circles of his great state. At the age of twenty Mr. Varner entered the employ of a nursery company of Greensboro, N. C., with whom he held the position of traveling representative for five years. On May 4, 1896, he assumed charge of the Lexington "Dispatch," the circulation of which has increased, under his management, from 600 to 8,000, and is one of the most propsperous weekly newspapers in the state.

There is not a more popular newspaper advocate in North Carolina than Henry B. Varner. He has been twice in succession elected president of the North Carolina Press Association. He has attended many sessions of the National Editorial Association, and was chosen third vice-president of that organization at its annual meeting held in St. Louis, Mo., and second vice-president at the last meeting in Guthrie, Okla.

In politics Mr. Varner is a Democrat and stands high in the councils of

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his party. He was nominated for Commissioner of Labor and Printing by the Democratic Convention of his state on April 12, 1900, and subsequently elected by 60,013 majority. Was renominated on June 24, 1904, and again elected for a second term of four years. He has also held the honored position of first vice-president of the Convention of Labor Bureaus of America, having been elected at the meeting held in Concord, N. H., July, 1904. Presided at the convention in San Francisco, September, 1905. He has been five times elected chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of his county, beginning this service on September 1, 1897.

Mr. Varner is an honored member of Lexington Lodge, No. 473, A. F. and A. M., and of Thomasville Chapter, No. 62. He served as worshipful master of the former for two years. He has also been complimented with the office of chancellor commander in the Knights of Pythias and recording secretary of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics of his town.

On December 20, 1900, Mr. Varner was happily married to Miss Florence Comstock, whose unfeigned devotion and rare feminine loveliness has rendered his life of wedded bliss one continued dream of domestic happiness.

THEODORE BRYANT KINGSBURY

Was born at Raleigh, N. C., August 29, 1828, in the State Museum Building, a son of Russell Kingsbury, a merchant and planter of Oxford, N. C., who was for many years a town commissioner, and for decades was trustee of Oxford Male and Female Academy. His mother was Miss Mary Sumner Bryant, who was born in Scotland Neck, Halifax county, a daughter of William Bryant, a planter.

Mr. Kingsbury was educated in Oxford Academy, Lovejoy's Military Academy, Raleigh, N. C., and the University of North Carolina, and was a captain of cadets during his school days. The University of North Carolina conferred the degree of LL. D. upon him in June, 1888. He is the only editor of this state who ever received this degree from the University.

He was first a merchant in his father's firm of R. Kingsbury & Son, but has been connected with the press for forty-five years, and an editor for thirty-seven years. He joined the Masons in 1850. In religion he has always been profoundly interested, and for many years has served as steward and class leader in the Methodist Episcopal church.

He married Miss Sallie Jones Atkinson, a daughter of Roger P. Atkinson, a planter of Vicksburg, Miss., who was a native of Virginia. She is a blood relation of Thomas Jefferson, John Randolph, Robert E. Lee, Gov. Bennett, of Virginia, Justice Roger A. Pryor. Gen. Johnston Pettigrew, Governor Jones, or Arkansas, and seven Episcopal bishops, and a dozen other distinguished men.

Mr. Kingsbury is the father of nine children, five daughters and four sons, sixteen grandchildren, five great-grandchildren.

He is a descendant of Henry Kingsbury, who came over from England with Governor Winthrop in 1630.

His oldest granddaughter lives in Westmoreland county, Va., the county in which George Washington and Robert E. Lee were born and his eldest grandson is the Rev. John W. Shackford, of Nashville, Tenn., a distinguished graduate of Randolph-Macon College, Va., who ranked foremost in his class and in an oratorical contest between several leading Virginia colleges including the University of Virginia, Washington and Lee University, William and Mary, and others. He was awarded the gold medal as the representative of Randolph-Macon College. This tribute was bestowed by a committee of leading Virginia gentlemen who had been selected to act as judges. He also was graduated at Vanderbilt University in the Theological School, with high honors. He is 27 years of age.

SIDNEY C. CHAMBERS

Was born April 30, 1878, in Yonkers, Westchester county, New York. His mother, Lida Chambers, was of Scotch descent. His father, William Gore Chambers, is of English descent.

After living in Canada several years his family moved to Mt. Vernon, New York, where Mr. Chambers was educated in the common schools. After taking a course at the New York

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Preparatory School, Mr. Chambers entered the law office of John Sprunt Hill, who was then practicing law in New York.

In June, 1903, after completing a two years' course at the New York Law School (evening department). Mr. Chambers came South with Mr. Hill, and after a summer course in law at the University of North Carolina, located in Durham, N. C., where he is now practicing his profession, associated with Mr. R. O. Everett.

An article written by Mr. Chambers for the North Carolina Journal of Law for December, 1904, entitled: "The Young Practitioner in New York," tells the story why Mr. Chambers left the metropolis for one of North Carolina's leading cities.

In November, 1903, Mr. Chambers organized the Gowan Medical Company, of which he is now its vice-president. This company has had a most phenomenal success in placing on the market an external remedy known as "Gowan's Pneumonia Cure."

Mr. Chambers is a Mason and an Elk.

ANDREW JOYNER BURTON.

Andrew Joyner Burton was born in the city of Raleigh. He is the son of Rev. Robert O. Burton, D. D., one of the most distinguished ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. His mother was the daughter of Colonel Andrew Joyner, of Halifax county, who for a number of years was State Senator, a large part of the time being Speaker of the Senate. At that time there was no Lieutenant Governor, as now, and the Senate elected its Speaker, as the presiding officer was then designated, and whose office was equivalent to that of Lieutenant Governor as at present known to our law.

Mr. Burton was named after his grandfather, Colonel Andrew Joyner. During his infancy his father moved to Halifax county. He was educated at the University of North Carolina and has always been interested in its welfare.

He obtained license to practice law and located in Halifax county. He was elected solicitor of the Criminal Court of Halifax, and after the expiration of his term, was elected to the House of Representatives. Subsequently, he moved to Reidsville, in Rockingham county, where he continued the practice of his profession. In the year 1902 he was elected Senator from the 20th district (Rockingham county constituting the district), and was re-elected in 1904. At both sessions he bore an active part in the legislation of that body.

He is a prominent member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, having been at one time the Grand Master of the Order in North Carolina, and probably the youngest who ever held that position.

He has always taken an active interest in public affairs and in the promotion of the welfare of the State.

GEORGE HUBBARD BROWN, JR.

Was born in Washington, N. C., May 3, 1850. His father was Sylvester T. Brown, a farmer, and his mother before her marriage was Miss Elizabeth Bonner, a daughter of Richard Bonner, a merchant of Washington. He was educated in Horner's Academy at Oxford, N. C., and was prepared to enter the sophomore class at Chapel Hill, when the college closed in 1870, during the reconstruction era. He studied law under his brother-in-law, Judge Shepherd, and was admitted to the bar June, 1872. He first practiced law at Washington with F. B. Satterthwait for two years, then alone. During 1888 he was associated with John H. Small, and went on the Superior court bench January 1, 1889, and on the Supreme court bench January 1, 1905.

He married Miss Laura E. Ellison, daughter of Henry Ellison, at one time sheriff of Beaufort county, and a large dealer in turpentine.

CLAUDIUS DANIEL HOLLAND

Was born September, 1865, in Rockingham county, N. C. His father was Dr. E. B. Holland, a physician and surgeon of Gaston county. His mother was Miss Julia Courts, a daughter of Daniel W. Courts, who was treasurer of the state for thirty-eight years, consul general to Matanzas and a representative in the Legislature from Surrey, Stokes and Rockingham counties.

He was educated at the Hudson River Institute and in the United

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States Military Academy at West Point. He studied law with Colonel George N. Folk in Caldwell county, and was admitted to the bar in 1888. He practiced in Dallas, Gaston county, for the first two years of his professional career then moved to West Virginia, where he practiced for nine years. In 1899 he returned to Dallas and resumed his practice at that place and in Gastonia. He has been mayor of Dallas for one term; a representative in the State Legislature from Mercer county, West Virginia, in 1893; United States commissioner of the Western District of North Carolina from 1900 to 1903, when he was appointed postmaster of Gastonia by President Roosevelt.

He married Miss Lizzie Brett, of Fluvanna county, Virginia, in 1897, and has two daughters and a son.

HON. B. F. LONG

Was born in Alamance county, and is of German and Scotch ancestry, a son of Jacob Long, who died in his 88th year in 1894. His mother lived until her 91st year in the old family homestead near Graham.

He entered Trinity College, this state, when 18 years of age, and graduated in 1874, as the valedictorian of his class, and in 1876 received the degree of Master of Arts.

He taught Latin and history for two years in the Graham High School and then attended Judge Pearson's law school, completing his course January, 1877. The following year he entered the law class of the University of Virginia, and finished the two years' course in one, taking the degree of Bachelor of Law and received the orator's medal awarded by a committee of the faculty, and delivered the oration at the commencement in June, 1878, as representative of the Washington Society.

He moved to Statesville in 1878 and formed a law partnership with Hon. Wm. M. Robbins, which was dissolved in 1893, when Mr. Robbins was appointed the Southern commissioner on the Gettysburg Battlefield Commission. He edited and published the "Law Lectures of Judge Pearson" in 1879, from notes which he had taken while a student at the law school, a work useful not only to law students, but to the members of the legal profession generally. In 1901 he was one of the attorneys of the chief justice, and his associate in the impeachment trial before the Senate of North Carolina.

Among the honorable offices he has held it may be noted that in 1880 he was appointed by Judge Gilmer receiver of the Western Division of the North Carolina Railroad, and served for five years. He was chosen solicitor for Iredell county in 1881, and was twice elected to that office. In May, 1885, he was elected mayor of Statesville, but resigned in 1887 to enter upon his duties as solicitor for the Eighth Judicial District, to which he had been elected that year. He was unanimously elected solicitor in 1890 and re-elected by over 5,000 majority. In 1894 he was nominated by the Democrats of the Eighth District for judge of the Superior court but was defeated with the rest of the Democratic ticket. In 1902 he was elected judge of the Superior court for the Tenth District.

He married the beautiful daughter of his law partner, Miss Mamie Robbins, on December 23, 1879, and has three children living.

MILES OSBORNE SHERRILL

Was born near Sherrill's Ford, Catawba county, N. C., July 26, 1841. He left school at Taylorsville, in April, 1861, went to Newton and joined the first company organized in Catawba county. He remained with the company in camp, on the march, on the battlefields, until May, 1864, at Spottsylvania court house, Virginia, when he was put out of business by the loss of his right leg. He was captured and spent the remainder of the war in Northern prisons. After the war he looked after his mother's farms and engaged in a small mercantile business.

On the first of May, 1867, he was married to Miss Sarah R. Bost, daughter of Captain Joe M. Bost, who commanded the Spartan Rangers, and was mortally wounded near Petersburg, Va., on June 29, 1864, and died on July 1, 1864. They have seven children, who are all living.

In April, 1868, Mr. Sherrill was elected judge of probate and clerk of the Superior court of Catawba county. He held that office for fourteen years;

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he was then elected to the Legislature in 1882. In 1884 he was elected to the Senate, and was again elected to the Senate in 1892. He was cashier in the collector's office under Dowd and Craig, during Cleveland's first administration. He was one of the projectors of the Chester and Lenoir Narrow Gauge Railroad, and was one of the first board of directors of said road.

Mr. Sherrill is a member of the Methodist church and has filled every position that a layman is eligible to in his church, including that of delegate to the General Conference.

He was elected State Librarian in 1899, the position he now holds.

ROBERT RUARK

Was born December 3, 1878, in Southport, N. C., formerly Smithville, at the mouth of the Cape Fear river. His father was James B. Ruark, a merchant and member of the town council. His mother was Miss Sallie Potter Longest, daughter of Bryant W. Longest, whose mother was Anna Potter.

He was educated in the high school of Southport and at the University of North Carolina. He studied law under Dr. John Manning and Judge James E. Sheppard, ex-Chief Justice of North Carolina, and was admitted to the bar December 3, 1899, and began practice in the spring of 1900, at Wilmington. After practicing there for about one year he formed a partnership with Mr. Iredell Meares, under the firm name of Meares & Ruark. This association continued until 1903, when he was offered the position of assistant to the general attorney of the Western Union Telegraph Company at the head office in New York city. After one year, however, his desire to live among his own people caused him to resign the position and return to North Carolina, and formed a law partnership with Mr. J. R. McCrary. On February 1, 1906, the partnership of Meares & Ruark was resumed, and he is now in the active practice of his profession at Wilmington, N. C., under the firm style of Meares & Ruark.

He married Miss Hettie Gibbons Westbrook, a daughter of J. S. Westbrook, of Wallace, N. C., who is credited with being the father of the trucking business of Eastern North Carolina. Mrs. Ruark's mother was Miss Frances Gibbons, daughter of a Methodist minister. Mr. Ruark has one child, a son.

Besides being a well read attorney he is a graceful, convincing orator and has delivered several addresses, among others the address of welcome to the North Carolina Bar Association at its recent meeting at Wrightsville Beach, which was responded to by Judge Pritchard.

JAMES I. METTS

Was born March 16, 1842, at Kinston, N. C., a son of James Engram Metts, a farmer and merchant. His mother was Miss Mary Ann Tull, a daughter of a farmer.

He was educated in G. W. Jewett's School, Wilmington, N. C., and the University of North Carolina. He was for four years in the Confederate army. Promoted from private to captain; a prisoner of war sixteen months, after wound through lung at Johnson's Island. He is a merchant and broker. He was president of Seamen's Friend Society one year. Has been for several years commander Cape Fear Camp No. 254, United Confederate Volunteers, and Brigadier General 3d Brigade North Carolina Division of the United Confederate Veterans, and is a Mason.

He is a member and has been for many years a vestryman of St. James Episcopal church.

He married Miss Cornelia F. Cowan, a daughter of Robert H. Cowan, of Wilmington, N. C., president of the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad.

He is the father of James I. Metts, Robert Cowan Metts and Thos. Walker Metts, deceased; and Eliza Dickinson, John Van B. and Edwin Anderson Metts, living.

EGBERT WATSON SMITH

Was born at Greensboro, N. C., a son of Rev. Jacob Henry Smith, D. D., a Presbyterian minister who was pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Greensboro for thirty-eight years. His mother was Mary Kelly Watson, a daughter of Judge Egbert R. Wat-

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J. Van Lindley

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son, a leading jurist of Virginia. He was educated in the Greensboro graded schools and later at Davidson College, of which latter institution he is an alumnus.

He was pastor and organizer of Westminster church of Greensboro, later superintendent of evangelistic work of North Carolina synod. From 1893 to 1905 he was pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Greensboro.

He is a member of the Knights of Pythias.

He married Miss Mary Wallace, a daughter of Judge Jesse G. Wallace, of Franklin, Tenn, and has four children, two girls and two boys.

He is considered an able and polished pulpit orator, and a deep and widely read student.

He is the author of a book, "The Creed of Presbyterians," over 27,000 copies of which have been sold. The literary merit of the work is highly commended and it ranks highly as a theological reference and text book.

He is a brilliant, easy conversationalist and is as popular personally with the members of his flock and the people of his native city.

JOHN VAN LINDLEY

Was born in Monrovia, Morgan county, Indiana, November 5, 1838. His father was Joshua Lindley, a son of Aaron Lindley and Pheba McPherson, who settled in North Carolina in 1748. When Mr. Lindley was three years old his father returned to North Carolina and to his former home in Chatham county, where his wife, Judith Henly, died a few years later, when her son John was only eight years of age. His father was a fruit grower and nurseryman, and the boy grew up on the fruit farm. He was a great worker and still recalls with pleasure that he split 800 rails the last day he mauled.

He completed his education at New Garden School. Shortly after he grew up the war between the states broke out and he answered Lincoln's call for troops, although a Quaker by birth, both his father and mother being members of the Society of Friends; he joined the Federal army and for three years was a private in the regular cavalry of Missouri. After the war he returned to his home in North Carolina, where he found that his old friends welcomed him with open arms. He found his father like other Southern agriculturalists, much reduced in means and owing five thousand dollars. The family had moved in 1851 from Chatham county to Guilford county and settled five miles west of Greensboro, and in 1866 founded the New Garden Nursery, under the style of John Lindley & Son, and in ten years his father's estate was cleared of debt, and he next devoted his energies to establishing his career. In 1877 he began as sole proprietor of the Pomona Nursery with his good credit as his only capital. The Pomona nurseries have been a success, and are now considered as the leading cut flower business of the South and to Mr. Lindley have brought a goodly income and wide reputation. He is also known for his broad public spirit, and untiring efforts to further every project to upbuild the county and state in which he lives. Mr. Lindley, although a staunch Republican, at the close of the war immediately became a Democrat when the ballot was placed in the hands of the negroes, and has ranged himself with the whites of the state. He has been a Democrat ever since joining heartily with his neighbors in building up the country.

He was one of the organizers of the Central Carolina Fair Association and its first president which has proved a powerful factor in developing Greensboro and its neighborhood.

With the Guilford County Road Association's co-operation together with other public spirited citizens, he induced the people of Guilford county to appropriate three hundred thousand dollars for the improvement of their roads.

Besides his large nurseries at Pomona, where he has 900 acres devoted to trees and young plants and at his Kernersville, N. C., branch, 350 acres in a nursery, he also has orchards at Southern Pines and other places.

Mr. Lindley is president of the Underwriters Fire Insurance Company of Greensboro, and is president of the J. Van Lindley Nursery Company, and also of the J. Van Lindley Orchard Company of Southern Pines, and vice-president of the City National Bank, Greensboro, N. C., and of the State Horticultural Association. He is a director of the Southern Loan and Trust Company, of the Vanstory Clothing Company, Gate City Furniture Com-

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pany, Greensboro Table and Mantel Company, Odell Hardware Company, Southern Stock Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Mount Airy Granite Company, Home Fire Insurance Company, and Southern Underwriters Fire Insurance Company and president of Pomona Terra Cotta Co.

He is one of the executive committee of the North Carolina Agricultural Society and a stockholder in other industries.

Mr. Lindley has ever been a leader in all educational movements, whether promoted by his own church organization, by the public at large or by other sectarian bodies. For the last twenty years he has been a trustee of Guilford College and has contributed handsomely towards assisting in relieving that institution of a large indebtedness, and then also was one of the largest contributors towards a permanent endowment fund.

Some ten or twelve years ago Mr. Lindley built at his own expense, a commodious public school building in his neighborhood for the benefit of the residents of that section, and some two or three years ago contributed one thousand dollars for the erection of public schools throughout Guilford county, which was the beginning of a concerted movement for excellent public schools in which Guilford county now takes the lead.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM CHAMBERS COUGHENOUR

Was born March 3, 1836, in Salisbury. His father was Jacob Coughenour, a farmer of Rowan county, who lived in Salisbury, and his mother was Miss Christiana Brandon, a daughter of a Rowan county farmer.

He was educated in Salisbury and in Jonesville, North Carolina, and was a conductor on the Western North Carolina Railroad in 1858 and ran his train until the 15th of April, 1861, when he entered the Confederate army, 4th North Carolina regiment, under Col. Geo. B. Anderson, in the army of northern Virginia in Ramseur's Brigade, and was elected first lieutenant of Company K, 4th North Carolina, on May 30, 1861, and was made captain of that company on the 31st day of May, 1862, after the Battle of Seven Pines, and served in that capacity until after the Battle of Gettysburg, when he was made adjutant and inspector general of Ramseur's Brigade which later became Gen. Wm. R. Cox's Brigade. He continued to serve in that capacity until January, 1865, when he was transferred to General W. P. Roberts' Cavalry Brigade, as adjutant and inspector general and served with this brigade until the close of the war. He was shot through the neck five days before the surrender in the fight at Amelia Court House, Va.

After the war he returned to Salisbury. One year later he became a traveling salesman for a Baltimore house and continued on the road for twenty years. Returned to Salisbury and was elected mayor for two terms, serving from 1893 to 1897. In 1897 he became a director of the First National Bank of Salisbury and in September, 1904, was made president to succeed Mr. Kerr Craig, deceased.

He is a Mason and an Elk.

Captain Coughenour was also wounded at Seven Pines, but not too severely to prevent him from taking part in the Seven Days' Fight before Richmond. Among the battles he took part in may be mentioned, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, The Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Gettysburg, Early's Valley Campaign of 1864, Harper's Ferry, Jack's Shop, Winchester, Fisher's Hill, Cedar Creek, the last fight around Petersburg, Five Forks and Sailors Creek.

He is spoken of by all who served with him as a gallant officer, and a courteous gentleman.

GEORGE W. RAGAN

Was born in Gaston county, September 16, 1846. His father was Daniel F. Ragan, a farmer, chairman of the county court and representative for one term in the State Legislature. His mother was Miss Harriett Glenn, a daughter of Robert Glenn, a farmer in Gaston county. He was educated in the common schools. His first occupation in life was that of a farmer, until the year 1873, when he entered the mercantile life in partnership with Captain S. J. Hand of Lowell. He was next in business in South Point for six years. There he formed a partnership with J. G. Gullick, a farmer of that neighborhood, under the style of Ragan & Gullick, which

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lasted about three years. He moved to Gastonia in 1880 and was in business for a period with T. C. Pegram. He was next in business with J. A. Gray at Lowell and later with B. T. and George McAdden at McAddensville for three years. He then returned to Gastonia in 1886, and lived there since then and was in business until January, 1892 with E. N. Hineberger, part of the time as partner, but sold out his interest in that business in 1893 and organized the Trenton Cotton Mill of which he was made president and operated successfully for six years, when he sold his interest and organized the Arlington, and was made president and treasurer of that mill, a position he still holds.

He is an elder in the Presbyterian church.

He has been twice married. In 1883 he married Miss Zoe Reid, a daughter of J. W. Reid, a farmer and a representative in the Legislature, of Gaston county. His second wife was Miss Bettie Caldwell, a daughter of Robert Caldwell, a farmer of Gaston county. They have a daughter and two sons.

Mr. Ragan was mayor of Gastonia in 1846. The rule of his life is contained in one word—"concentration."

JOHN FRANKLIN LOVE

Was born in 1866, two miles from Gastonia, on his family plantation. His father was Robert Calvin Grier Love, a merchant and farmer who was also largely interested in the cotton mills near Gastonia and Lincolnton. His mother was Miss Susan Elizabeth Rhyne, a daughter of Moses H. Rhyne, a farmer of Mt. Holly, Gaston county.

He was educated in the common schools. His early commercial experience was in Gastonia in the mercantile line. He is president of: The Thompson Co., a mercantile concern of Yorkville; The Avon Mills, Gastonia; The Gastonia Cotton Manufacturing Co.; The Love Trust Co., and The Page Co., manufacturers of sash, doors, blinds and lumber of various kinds, at Gastonia.

He married Miss Sallie Bryan, a daughter of John R. Bryan, a farmer and turpentine distiller near Kingstree, S. C., who lived in Spartanburg, S. C. He has three daughters and three sons.

HENRY GRAVES CONNOR

Was born July 3, 1852, at Wilmington, N. C.

He was educated in the common schools of Wilson, N. C., and studied law in the office of George W. Whitfield, an attorney of Wilson. He began the practice of his profession at Wilson and was associated for a time with H. C. Moss and later with Hon. Fred A. Woodard. He was a member of the State Senate in 1885 and in that year was appointed judge of the Superior court by Governor Scales and was elected in 1886 to the full term of eight years. He resigned his judgeship in 1893. He was elected to the Legislature from Wilson in 1898 and was Speaker of the House of Representatives in 1899. He was a member of the House of Representatives in 1901 and chairman of the committee on education. He was elected associate justice of the Supreme court in 1902.

He married Miss Kate Whitfield of Wilson, and is the father of six sons and three daughters.

FRANKLIN McNEILL

Was born January 4, 1850, in Richmond county, N. C., in that part now known as Scotland county. His father was John McNeill, a well known farmer. His mother was Miss Elizabeth Buchanan, daughter of John Buchanan, a farmer of Richmond county.

He was educated at Davidson College, N. C., and studied law in the University of Virginia and under Judge Pearson at Richmond Hill. He was licensed to practice law and began in 1873. He was at Lumberton, N. C., and continued there until 1882, when he removed to Rockingham, Richmond county, N. C. He was elected solicitor of the 7th District in 1886 and re-elected in 1890. In 1895 he moved to Wilmington, where he was engaged in practice of the law, when he discontinued practice, having been elected corporation commissioner of the State of North Carolina, by the General Assembly in 1899, and re-elected by the people in 1900.

He married Miss Jennie E. Elliot, of Cumberland county, August 2, 1882.

He is a member of the Presbyterian church.

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DOCTOR WILLIAM PAISLEY BEALL

Was born in Iredell county, N. C., September 20, 1850. His father was Benjamin L. Beall, a Presbyterian minister of Alexander county. His mother was Miss Mary Rankin, a daughter of the Rev. Jesse Rankin, of Guilford county. He was educated at the Finley High School of Lenoir, N. C., and studied medicine at Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia. He began practicing in 1879, and was associated with Dr. James K. Hall until Dr. Hall's death in 1885. Since he has practiced alone until the first of January, 1904, when he became associated with Dr. Thomas R. Little. He is a member of the State Medical Society, and is examiner for twenty or more old line life insurance companies. He is a general practitioner, and one of Greensboro's ablest physicians.

He married Miss Henrietta Settle, of Greensboro, eldest daughter of Judge Thomas Settle, and father of five children, three boys and two girls. He is an Odd Fellow and an elder in the Westminster Presbyterian church.

OSGOOD P. HEATH

Was born in Lancaster, S. C., near the North Carolina line, December 26, 1856, and has had a most successful business career. His father was M. C. Heath, a farmer well known in Lancaster, and his mother was Miss Mary Morrow. He was educated in the county schools of Lancaster. He moved into the town of Lancaster in 1882 and entered into the merchandise business under the style of Heath Bros., and later Heath, Springs & Company, dealing in merchandise and cotton. He then went to Norfolk, Va., where he engaged in the cotton business for about six years; in 1896 he moved to Monroe, N. C., and opened an office in Charlotte, first under the style of Heath Bros., and later as O. P. Heath & Co. He is president of the Peoples' Bank of Monroe, and of the Monroe Cotton Mill, of 10,000 spindles. He is director and vice-president of the Newton Cotton Mill, a director of the Continental Manufacturing Co., of Charlotte, president of the Heath & Jones Mercantile Co., of Lancaster, S. C.; is interested in mercantile business in Yorkeville and Kershaw, S. C., and is senior member of Heath, Witherspoon & Company, brokers, New York city, who are influential members of the New York Cotton Exchange. He is one of the organizers and incorporators of the Charlotte Trust Co., and the Charlotte Realty Co., formed to do a general banking business and to handle all classes of real estate. All of the stock for both of these new companies has recently betn subscribed.

In 1878 he married Miss Annie Lee Potts, of Lancaster, S. C., and is the father of six children.

Mr. Heath is a popular member of the Manufacturers' Club, and is president of the Charlotte Cotton Exchange.

CLARENCE HAMILTON POE

Was born on a farm in Chatham county, N. C., January 10, 1881. His ancestors were farmers and small slaveholders.

He was educated in schools of the vicinty and Greensboro graded schools. Did not carry out plan to enter Wake Forest Collewe, owing to opportunity to rise in newspaper work, which he began in May, 1897.

In July, 1899, became editor of The Progressive Farmer. Changed it from a partisan paper to a progressive farm and home weekly. Circulation increased steadily, managing both editorial and business departments.

In December, 1903, organized company and brought paper, buying half interest myself. Am now editor and manager of paper, circulation and advertising patronage have doubled in last 18 months and paper now has largest circuation of any weekly published between Richmond and Atlanta, and is most largely circulated farm weekly between Pennsylvania and Texas.

Have also contributed articles on social and political questions, southern problems, etc., to the Atlantic Monthly, North American Review, Review of Reviews, World's Work, and other magazines. In January, 1905, was offered editorship of the County Calendar, the splendid new magazine started in New York by the Review of Reviews Book Co., at $3,000 salary for the first year, but declined in order to remain on The Progressive Farmer.

Have been for several years secre-

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E. CALDWELL, OF GREENSBORO
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tary-treasurer N. C. Literary and Historical Association; executive committeeman for North Carolina in the Southern Educational Conference; chairman program committee North Carolina Farmers' State Alliance; member executive committee N. C. Anti-Saloon League; member Board of Missions, Baptist State Convention; also a director of Merchants' Journal Publishing Co., and Mutual Publishing Co., of Raleigh.

EUGENE COLWELL, JR.

Was born at Harrell's Store in Sampson county, N. C., August 28, 1875. His father is A. E. Colwell, who was a merchant for more than twenty years; at present is proprietor of a coal mine near Birmingham, Ala. His mother before her marriage was Miss Susan A. Wells, of Sampson county. He was educated at Wake Forest, N. C., and began his business career as agent at Cordele, Ga., where he lived for nine years, five and one-half of which he sold insurance for the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York. In 1900 he organized the Security Life and Annuity Company of Greensboro, and for about three years managed the field force of that company. In June, 1905, he became secretary of the Greensboro Life Insurance Company, which position he now holds.

He was married to Miss Lucie E. Boney, of Wallace, Duplin county, N. C., on June 21, 1899. He has one daughter.

He is a member of the Elks, Jr. O. U. A. M., and is a Mason. He is also a member of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Club, and the Elks' Club of Greensboro, and is a member of the First Baptist church of Greensboro.

JAMES FRANCIS JORDAN

Was born in Hillsboro, Orange county, N. C., November 14, 1859. His father was Francis Marion Jordan, and his mother was Miss Susan Holeman, daughter of Samuel Holeman, a farmer and large slave holder of Orange county. He was educated in Wake Forest College. After leaving college he was engaged in the leaf tobacco business for fifteen years, at Asheville and Greensboro, N. C., under the style of Jordan & Company, but retired from that business in 1890, when the tobacco trust got control of the market. Since 1900 he has been sheriff of Guilford county, having been elected to that office, the duties of which he has discharged with marked fairness and vigor.

He has been twice married. He was married to Miss Fannie Helen Robinson, of Rome, Ga., December 4, 1884, and to Miss Mary Wright Waddell, of Greensboro and Wilmington, N. C., November 29, 1895. Three children have been born to him from his second marriage, one of whom has died.

He has never enjoyed any secret or fraternial order. He is a member of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Club.

GEO. E. WILSON

Was born in Charlotte, N. C., April 19, 1849. His father, Joseph H. Wilson, was an able attorney, who took a prominent part in the public affairs of this state and was at one time president of the Senate of the North Carolina Legislature of which he was a member for several sessions. His mother was Miss Mary Phifer, a grand-niece of John Phifer, a signer of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

Mr. Wilson was educated at Davidson College, North Carolina, and later at the University of Virginia. After leaving college, he studied law in Judge Pearson's Law School, and was licensed to practice in 1872. He practiced law with his father until the latter's death in 1884. Since then he has practiced alone. He has been a successful attorney of careful, conservative habits of thought and clear reasoning faculties. He held the position of solicitor for the Criminal court for four years under Judge Mear's administration from 1886 to 1890, making a creditable record for ability and fairness in the discharge of the arduous duties of this office. He was elected a director in the M. & F. Bank in 1884, and upon the death of Dr. McAden in 1904, succeeded to the presidency of that institution. He is also president of the Continental Manufacturing Co., a flourishing Charlotte enterprise. Is a member of the board of trustees of the general as-

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sembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States and one of the trustees of Davidson College.

Mr. Wilson was married in 1874 to Miss Bessie Witherspoon of Sumpter county, South Carolina, and is the father of four children, two boys and two girls. His eldest son, Hamilton W. Wilson, is paying teller in the Merchants' and Farmers' Bank.

Mr. Wilson's career has been notable for attention to duty and practical clear-headedness.

CHAS. W. TILLETT

Chas. W. Tillett is a lawyer who ranks amongst the foremost attorneys in North Carolina; he has a lucrative practice in the city of Charlotte, and many of the counties of this, his native state. His father's family were French Huguenots, noted for strength of character and intellectual attainments, who settled in the eastern portion of the state. His father was the Rev. John Tillett, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and a prominent member of the North Carolina Conference. His grandfather was a sea captain, and owner of several coastwise merchant vessels, doing business along the coasts of Virginia and the Carolinas.

Mr. Tillett's mother was Miss Eliza Wyche, daughter of James Wyche, one of the first presidents of the Raleigh & Gaston railroad. The first member of the Wyche family to settle in this country was Henry Wyche, who came from England during the seventeenth century and settled in Virginia.

His mother died while the subject of this sketch was an infant, and his father spent the greater part of a small estate together with his savings, in the education of his four sons and two daughters with rare unselfishness, rather than saving it for his own old age.

Mr. Tillett received his early training at the Webb school of Tennessee, and at Horner and Graves' Military Academy, at Hillsboro, N. C., presided over by James H. Horner and Ralph H. Graves, two of the most prominent educators of that time in North Carolina. He matriculated at Randolph-Macon College, Ashland, Virginia, in fall term, 1876, and graduated in 1880 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. While a student he won the debator's medal and the Southern medal for oratory, considered among the highest honors of the college.

He was for two years tutor in mathematics at Randolph-Macon College, and after graduation taught school for one year at Cape Fear Academy, Wilmington, N. C. He removed to Rockingham, in Richmond county, where he taught school and studied law. He was licensed to practice law by the Supreme court of North Carolina in February, 1882. He first practiced at Rockingham, and was associated with Hon. Platt D. Walker, now an associate justice of the Supreme court of North Carolina, but who at that time lived in Charlotte, although a former resident of Rockingham, where he had a large practice.

Mr. Tillett was elected county superintendent of public schools for Richmond county in 1883. While occupying this position, he fell in love with Miss Carrie Patterson, daughter of Dr. D. N. Patterson, whom he married February 18, 1885. Mrs. Tillett was a graduate of Peace Institute, Raleigh, and a lady of much charm of manner, whose gentle disposition has won her a large circle of friends. Of seven children born to this union, five survive. Mr. Tillett has never sought political honors. In the practice of his profession, to which his best efforts have been given, he was associated for a time with James T. LeGrand as partner at Laurinburg, N. C., until August, 1887. He then moved to Charlotte, and formed a partnership with Col. Hamilton C. Jones, the firm's name being Jones & Tillett, which continued until Col. Jones' death August 23, 1904. Since then he has practiced alone.

He has always been an ardent Democrat, taking an active part in every campaign since entering his profession. His only political ambition being to see his party succeed, as he believes its principles to be nearer sound and economical administration of government.

As chairman of the Democratic executive committee of Richmond county in 1884, he carried the county Democratic for the first time in history by a large majority. He was presented by his party friends, in appreciation of this achievement, with a handsome gold watch, which he now wears.

He is passionately fond of his

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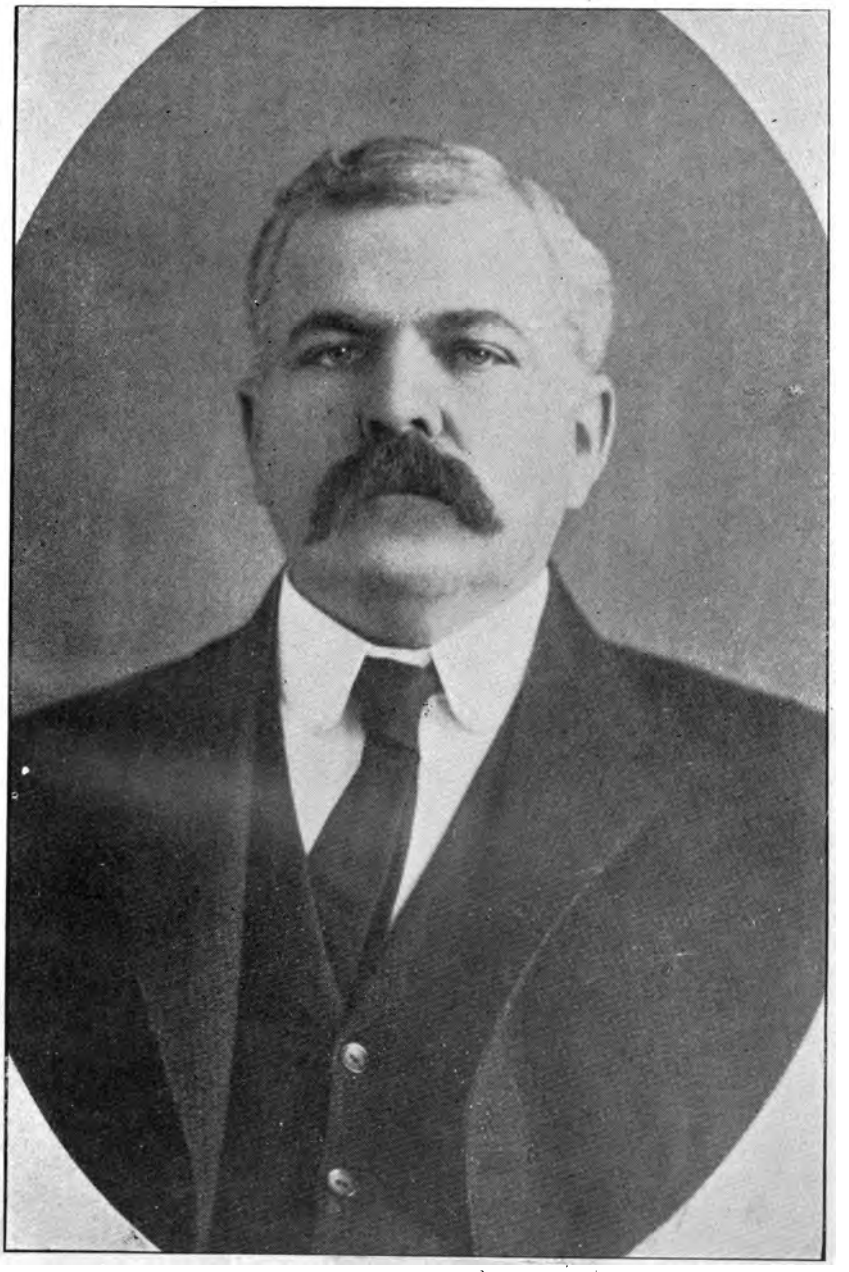

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chosen profession in all its arduous detail, and prepares every case with the utmost care before going into court, presenting all the facts to the court and jury with remarkable lucidity. Because of his thorough knowledge and his preparation on all points, he has a direct forcible delivery that carries conviction.

His firm has been connected with most of the important cases tried in this section. during his professional career. While he has practiced in all courts, from thost of the justices of the peace to the United States Supreme court, of recent years he has not appeared in the criminal courts, except on rare occasions when there was some exceptional reason. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, both of his parents being of Methodist families, and has twice been a delegate to the General Conference, the highest legislative body of that denomination.

He has decided literary ability, as is shown by two of his productions: "Zeb Vance is Dead," and "Resurget," the latter a tribute to Isaac Avery, both of which have been widely copied by the press.

Gov. Aycock tendered him the appointment as judge of the Twelfth Judicial District to succeed Judge W. A. Hoke, when the latter was elected to the Supreme court of North Carolina, but his practice had grown to such an extent that he did not feel able to sacrifice it for the salary attached to the judgeship. His efforts have ever been to elevate his profession, and many a struggling young attorney has felt the great sympathy and received the aid of this eminent attorney in his struggles to begin aright.

His fidelity to a high standard of duty, exhaustless energy, great common sense, and strong simple integrity of character have endeared him to all of those who know him intimately.

D. E. ALLEN

Was born in Pearson county, North Carolina, September 25, 1859. His father was William N. Allen, a well known farmer of Pearson county. His mother before her marriage was Miss Frances Mayas of Granville county, N. C.

He received his early training in the public school of Granville county and at Oxford, N. C. At the age of 14 he moved to Charlotte and began his business career as clerk in a wholesale hardware establishment and later traveled for the firm of Brem, Brown & Co., for fifteen years. He was interested in the wholesale and retail hardware firm of Allen & Allen, of Winston-Salem, N. C., from 1881 to 1885, being associated in business with this concern. He then returned to Charlotte and in 1894 organized the Charlotte Hardware Co., of which he became president and general manager. In March, 1897, he withdrew from the firm and organized the Allen Hardware Company, of which he has been president and general manager since its formation. This company is one of the largest and most up to date in this part of the country and under his management has been very successful.

He was two years president of the Manufactureres' Club, and is now one of the board of governors of that organization. He is president of the Monroe Hardwarde Company, of Monroe, N. C., and is interested in several cotton mills and other important industrial enterprises. He has been honored by holding the offices of Grand Commander and Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of North Carolina in the Masonic order.

Since moving to Charlotte he has been an active member of Trinity Methodist church. His sterling business qualities and courteous personality have made him one of Charlotte's most valued citizens.

CLEMENT MANLEY

Was born at New Berne, N. C., March 14, 1853. He is a son of Mathias E. Manley, attorney, who was judge of the Superior court for several years; on the Supreme court bench from 1858 to 1865.

His mother, before her marriage, was Miss Sarah Simpson, daughter of Samuel Simpson, a merchant of New Berne.

Mr. Manley was educated at Georgetown College. He studied law with his father and was licensed to practice in 1878. He began his professional career at New Berne and was associated with F. M. Simmons (now U. S. Senator), until 1888, un-

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der the firm name of Simmons & Manley. From 1888 he practiced with O. H. Guion, now speaker of the House of Representatives, until he moved to Winston, January 1, 1891, when he formed a partnership with R. B. Glenn and W. M. Hendren, the firm name being Glenn, Manley & Hendren. In 1905 this firm was dissolved by the inauguration of Mr. Glenn as Governor of North Carolina, and the firm now continues as Manley & Hendren.

Mr. Manley represents the Southern Railway interests at Winston, R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., Fries Manufacturing and Power Company, Wachovia Loan & Trust Company, the Peoples' National Bank and other commercial institutions. He is president of the North Carolina Bar Association and was formerly chairman of the Democratic State Executive Committee for two years.

He married Miss Emily Buford, daughter of Colonel A. S. Buford, of Richmond, Va.

DR. CHARLES ROBERSON

Was born in Chapel Hill, Orange county, N. C., November 20, 1872, and is a son of Dr. A. B. Roberson, of that county. His mother before her marriage was Miss Cornelia Adeline Stone, of Chatham county. He was educated at the University of North Carolina in the class of 1894. He began the study of medicine in 1894, and studied one year at the University of North Carolina in the medical department, and then went to Long Island College in Brooklyn, N. Y., from which he graduated in 1897. He began practicing at Chapel Hill in the summer of that year. He removed to Greensboro in the fall of 1899, and has been a general practitioner ever since that time. He is a member of the staff of the Greensboro Hospital and for the past year has made a specialty of the diseases of children. He is a member of the Guilford County Medical Society, North Carolina Medical Society and the Tri-State Medical Society.

He married Miss Mabel Hill, of Greensboro, a daughter of W. H. Hill, late secretary and treasurer of the Dan Valley Mills, Danville, Va. He is a member of the Elks' Club and of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Club of Greensboro.

AUBREY LEE BROOKS

Was born at Bethel Hill, N. C., May 21, 1871. His father was Dr. Z. T. Brooks, of Bethel Hill, and his mother was Miss Chestina H. Hall, daughter of Elder A. N. Hall, of Person county. He was educated in Bethel Hill Institute, the University of North Carolina, and the University of Kentucky. He was admitted to the bar in October, 1893, and began practice at Roxboro, N. C., in 1894, and practiced there until 1897, being associated with Col. C. S. Winstead under the firm style of Winstead & Brooks. He moved to Greensboro in May, 1897, and formed a partnership with Colonel, now Judge, James E. Boyd, under the firm name of Boyd & Brooks. The firm practiced for four years until the senior partner was made United States District Judge. Mr. Brooks continued to practice alone until 1902, when he formed a partnership with Col. W. S. Thomson, and under the firm name of Brooks & Thomson has since continued practice.

In 1894 he was the Democratic nominee for the Senate of the State Legislature in the 17th Senatorial District, and was Presidential elector in 1896. He was elected solicitor of the 5th, now the 9th Judicial District, in 1902, and has been re-elected at subsequent elections.

The firm of Brooks & Thomson represents the City National Bank of Greensboro, Old North State Fire Insurance Company, the Postal Telegraph & Cable Company, and the Aetna Accident Company in North Carolina, and several other commercial enterprises.

He married Miss Maud Harris, of Reidsville, N. C., a daughter of Robert Harris, a leading tobacco manufacturer of Reidsville, October 18, 1895, who died March 14, 1903, and is the father of one child, seven years of age.

He is a member of the Merchants' & Manufacturers' Club of Greensboro.

GEO. McCORKLE

Geo. McCorkle was born and reared in shrdlu Catawba county, N. C.; was prepared for college at Catawba College, from which institution he went to the University of North Carolina and was graduated in 1878. Studied law with his father, Judge M. L. McCorkle

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and at Dick & Dillard's Law School at Greensboro, N. C., and was admitted to the bar in 1881. Practiced law with his father until 1886, when he was appointed to a responsible position in the U. S. Treasury Department at Washington, D. C.. Returning to North Carolina during Mr. Harrison's administration he resumed the practice of the law. With Mr. Cleveland's re-election was appointed to a responsible position in the General Land Office at Washington, which he held for four years.

Mr. McCorkle is enjoying a lucrative practice and is also an extensive planter. Is a member of the board of trustees of Catawba College and is very zealous in its upbuilding and in many other things pertaining to the general welfare of his town and county.

CHRISTOPHER THOMAS BAILEY

Born May 8, 1871, at Edenton, N. C. His father was Rev. Dr. C. T. Bailey, and his mother Annie S. Bailey. He graduated at Wake Forest College in June, 1889.

He was appointed postmaster at Raleigh by President McKinley, May 2, 1898, and reappointed by President Roosevelt June 6, 1902. Is a trustee of the State University and has served as chairman of the board of directors of the State Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind at Raleigh, N. C. Was a member of the St. Louis, Philadelphia and Chicago National Republican conventions.

Married Miss Mary Walthall Wimbish of Warrenton, N. C., in January, 1897. Has one child living, a girl.

WILLIAM S. THOMSON

Was born in Sampson county, January 19, 1866. His father was William H. Thomson, a farmer of that county. His mother before her marriage was Miss Mary Beaman of Sampson county.

He was educated in Wake Forest College and read law at Chapel Hill. He was admitted to the bar at the February term of the Supreme court, 1887. He first practiced at Clinton, N. C., two years. He then removed to Cordele, Ga., and practiced there until 1901. He was associated with Judge Z. A. Little as a partner five years until that gentleman was elected to the Superior court bench. He then formed a partnership with ex-Judge U. V. Whipple, and practiced with him until he moved to Greensboro, in December, 1901, where he formed a partnership with Mr. A. L. Brooks, on the first of July, 1901, and has practiced since under the firm name of Brooks & Thomson. While in Georgia he was elected to the House of Representatives of the Georgia Legislature in 1896, and in 1898 to the Senate of that body. In 1900 he resigned his senatorship during the last session before his term of office expired.

On September 18, 1891, he married Aphia Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Williams, of Sampson county. He is the father of four children, three girls and a boy. He is president of the City National Bank of Greensboro, and of the High Point Electric Company and vice-president of the North State Fire Insurance Company.

He is a Mason, a Knight Templar, K. of P., Odd Fellow and an Elk, and is first vice-president of the Merchants' & Manufacturers' Club of Greensboro.

PLEASANT H. HANES

Was born at Fulton in Davie county, N. C., October, 1845, and was one of seven children; only two, he and his sister, Miss Kate Hanes, survive. His father was Alexander M. Hanes, a large planter and slave owner, descendants of Marcus Hanes, who came from Germany and first settled at York, Pa., but moved to North Carolina in 1777. The son of this ancestor named Philip obtained a grant of land from King George of England.

His mother was Miss Jane March, a daughter of Jacob March and granddaughter of John March, one of four brothers, who, prior to 1775, settled in Rowan, now Davie county. She was born in 1812, and was a woman of exceptional mental qualities, executive ability and high character. Mr. Hanes attributes most of his success to her careful training of his youth.

His father died during the early years of the war, leaving the widowed mother to face the unusual difficulties

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of managing a large plantation and the care of a family of small children during the fearful years from 1863 to 1865, as her four oldest boys joined the Confederate army and two of them fell at Ganes Mills, Va., June 2, 1864, and Jacob H. Hanes, of Company G, 4th regiment N. C. troops, fell at Spottsylvania, May 2, 1864. A third Spencer J. Hanes was severely wounded and died a few years after the war from his injuries. P. H. Hanes, the youngest of the four, was the only one to escape uninjured. He served in General Roberts' Brigade of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee's cavalry, and surrendered with that command before Richmond, having seen some of the hardest service of the war.

After the war he returned to North Carolina and set to work on the old family plantation to assist his mother in her arduous task of repairing the family fortunes. He associated with him his younger brother, J. W. Hanes, as junior partner in the firm of P. H. Hanes & Co., which was exceptionally successful and was conducting the second largest tobacco factory in the South when bought out by the American Tobacco Company in 1900.

He is now president of the P. H. Hanes Knitting Mills and the United States Veneering Company, and vice-president of the Washington Life and Annuity Co., of Greensboro, N. C., and owns a large stock dairy and general farm situated just west of Winston.

He has been in favor of all efforts for the improvement of Winston and Forsythe county, and is especially identified with the good roads movement.

He is a Knight Templar and Shriner in Masonry and a member of the K. of P., and is a steward in the Methodist church.

He married Miss M. L. Fortune, of Merlin, Texas, April 29, 1873, and is the father of six children, four daughters and two sons.

ROBERT LEE RYBURN

Was born November, 23, 1862, in Shelby, N. C. His father was William E. Ryburn, a hotel man and proprietor of the Central Hotel of Shelby and his mother was Miss Annie Warlick, a daughter of Solomon Warlick, a farmer of Catawba county.

He was educated in Davidson College. After graduation in 1883, he taught school at Little River Academy in Cumberland county. He then studied law, and after a course at Dick & Dillard's law school in Greensboro, he was licensed in 1886. He began practice in Shelby in partnership with Ruben McBrayer and this association continued for five years, when Mr. McBrayer died. He then practiced alone until January, 1904, when he formed a partnership with Mr. Clyde R. Hoey. He was a member of the Legislature from Cleveland county in 1905.

He is a Mason, a K. of P. and an elder in the Presbyterian church.

He married Miss Frank Faison, a daughter of Matthew Faison, a farmer of Cleveland county, in 1892.

TENCH CHARLES COXE

Was born December 3, 1874, in Rutherfordton, North Carolina, and was educated in the Episcopal Academy, Philadelphia, later. He entered the University of Pennsylvania and joined the Delta Phi fraternity. After leaving college he took charge in 1894 of his father's large plantation on Green River in Polk and Rutherford counties, North Carolina, and has had the management of this important property ever since.

He is a director of the Battery Park Bank and of the French Broad Granite Brick Co., and executor of the estate of Franklin Coxe and of the Tench Coxe estate, now known as the Croft estate.

He is a member of the Philadelphia Club, the Rittenhouse Club of Philadelphia, Philadelphia Gun Club, and formerly of the Philadelphia Country Club, Asheville Club, Swannanoa Country Club and president of the Asheville Gun Club. He was one of the organizers and is vice-president and a director of the Asheville Horse Show Association and his turnouts have taken a prominent place at each of the exhibitions of that organization. His tandem has taken the blue ribbon for three years past and his four-in-hand took the blue ribbon in 1894. His stables have also taken a number of red ribbons each year.

Mr. Coxe was married April 19, 1898, to Miss Sarah Fotterel Potter, of Wilmington, N. C., and has three boys, Franklin, aged six, Tench

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Charles, aged four, and William Potter, aged one.

Previous to his marriage he lived in Philadelphia and after his wedding traveled in Europe, visiting Holland, Switzerland, England, Germany, France and Scotland.

Since his return to America he has lived in Asheville, where he has built an attractive residence. Mr. Coxe's graceful manners and uniform affability have made him universally popular with all classes.

LARRY I. MOORE

Was born in Wilson county, near Wilson, N. C., March 14, 1870, a son of Andrew J. Moore, a Primitive Baptist minister and teacher and a captain in the Confederate army. His mother was Miss Bettie Farmer, a daughter of Larry D. Farmer. He received his education in his father's school and later at the University of North Carolina. After leaving college he was employed by the A. C. L. R. R. Co., until March, 1892. He then removed to Greenville, where he read law, completing his law studies in the University of North Carolina. He is now president of the Greenville Banking & Trust Company and a director in several other local industrial enterprises. He was elected solicitor of the 3d Judicial District in 1898 and re-elected in 1902 and now holds that office.

He is a member of the Odd Fellows, A. F. & A. M., I. O. O. F., and K. of Ps. Baptist in sentiment.

He married Miss Ella King, a daughter of W. M. King, a former sheriff of Pitt county, who resided in Greenville, March 22, 1899. He has two sons, one five and one two years of age.

JOSEPH E. POGUE

Was born September 13, 1851, at Rogersville Junction, East Tennessee, a son of John Pogue, a Methodist minister, farmer and civil magistrate for many years. His mother was Miss Priscilla Carter of "Carters Station," Green County, N. C. He was educated in Locust Grove, Hamlin county, East Tennessee.

From January, 1870, to September, 1871, he clerked at Hillsboro for his brother, E. H. Pogue. He next went on the road as traveling salesman, canvassing the Southern states. During October, 1875, he engaged in the manufacture of plug tobacco at Henderson, N. C. In September, 1885, he moved his plant to Raleigh, where he has remained in that business. Since the spring of 1899 he has been secretary of the North Carolina Agricultural Society. He was a member of the board of aldermen of Raleigh during 1891 and 1892 and introduced the resolution that led to the celebration of that historic city's one hundredth anniversary in 1892 in such grand and memorable fashion. He has been twice president of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, formerly president of the Raleigh Tobacco Board of Trade, and is at present chairman of the board of directors of the school for the blind in Raleigh.

He is a member of the Jr. Order of United American Mechanics, the I. O. O. F., and the Red Men.

He married Miss Henrietta Kramer, a daughter of Nathan Kramer, a merchant of Raleigh, N. C. His son, Joseph E. Pogue, 18 years of age, is a student at the University of North Carolina, now in his senior year.

E. W. TIMBERLAKE

Was born in Franklin county, North Carolina, July 4, 1854. He is a son of Dr. Robert H. Timberlake, a physician, who was clerk of the Superior court from 1868 to 1874. His mother was Miss Mary A. Harris, a daughter of James Harris, a farmer.

He was educated at Wake Forest College and the University of Virginia. He was a judge of the Superior court from 1895 to 1902.

He is a Mason and an Odd Fellow and the ..... college fraternity.

He is a deacon in the Baptist church of Louisburg.

He married Miss Ada Lee Simmons, a daughter of W. G. Simmons, LL. D., professor of science in the Wake Forest College. He is the father of two children, E. W. Timberlake, Jr., a graduate of Wake Forest College and the University of Virginia, who will become an attorney at the next term of the Supreme court. His daughter, Miss Ada Lee Timberlake, is a graduate of Shorter College, Ga.

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F. P. HOBGOOD

Of Oxford, N. C., is a son of James Benton Hobgood, a farmer. His mother was Miss Elizabeth House, a daughter of Joseph House, a farmer. He was educated at Home Academy and Wake Forest College, N. C. He has spent his life in teaching and has been chairman of the Board of Education of Granville county. He is a Mason, a Pythian, an Odd Fellow and formerly a member of the Ku Klux Klan. He is a deacon in the Baptist church.

He married Miss Mary A. Royall, a daughter of the Rev. W. Royall, D. D., a professor in Wake Forest College.

He has been the father of six children, one of whom is dead. His living children are: Mrs. F. W. Hancock, Mrs. B. S. Royster, Colonel F. P. Hobgood, a lawyer in Greensboro, Miss Carrie Hobgood and James Edward Hobgood, now in his third year at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia.

CHARLES BRANTLEY AYCOCK

Was born November 1, 1859, at Nalumta Township, Wayne county, a son of a farmer of Wayne county, noted for his high character, who was county clerk and later State Senator from Wayne from 1864 to 1866 two terms, and was a member of the Primitive Baptist church, and died suddenly in church while worshipping God. His mother was Miss Serena Hooks, a daughter of Robert Hooks, of Wayne county of Quaker ancestry.

He was educated in the village of Nahunta, now Fremont, under instruction of the late William R. Williams; later he spent a year at school at Kinston. He entered the University of North Carolina at the fall term of 1877. He stood at the head of his class in Latin composition and held first rank as a debater in the Phi Society. He was elected chief marshall, after an exciting contest in 1887, and to the amusement of his friends and his own embarrassment when arrayed in the glory of chief marshal, he led the procession at the following commencement the band struck up the then popular tune, "See the Mighty Hosts Advancing, Satan Leading on." He graduated in the class of 1880 receiving the Willie P. Mangum medal for oratory and the Bingham Essayist medal.

He studied law under Dr. Battle at the University and completed his course under the late A. K. Smedes at Goldsboro. He began practice of the law at Goldsboro in January, 1881, with F. A. Daniels, under the firm name of Aycock & Daniels, a partnership which had been formed at the College commencement in June, 1880, and has continued since with the exception of the period he served North Carolina so brilliantly as governor. Always interested in politics and good government, he was early in his career recognized as the most effective campaign speaker in his section of the state. and at the presidential campaign of 1888 he was the nominee of his party for district elector and his campaign against Hon. Oscar J. Spears, or Harnett, strengthened his powers and in 1892 he received the nomination of the Democratic party for elector at large in opposition to Mr. Marion Butler, of Sampson. He was appointed in 1893 United States district attorney for the Eastern District. His speeches during the memorable campaign of 1900 in favor of the suffrage amendment are classed as the most potent to which this generation has listened in North Carolina.

He was inaugurated governor of North Carolina January 15, 1901.

He has been twice married. In 1883 he married Varina D. Woodard, a daughter of Elder William Woodard, of Wilson county, who died in 1890, and in 1891 he married Cora L. Woodard, a sister of his deceased wife. He has seven children.

Always in favor of education of all the people, he served for years as chairman of the board of trustees of the Goldsboro graded schools and in 1881 was county superintendent of education.

CHAS. A. WEBB

Chas. A. Webb, one of Asheville's attorneys, was born in Warrenton, North Carolina, November 4, 1866. He graduated at the University, in the class of 1889. He moved to Asheville in August, 1889, and for two years taught in the Orange street school, in the meantime studying law; was licensed September, 1891, and immediately began the practice of law

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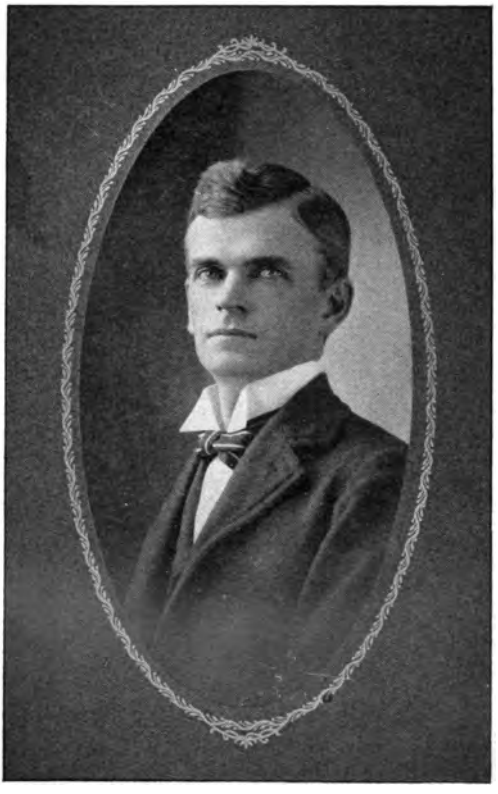

HON. CHAS. A. WEBB

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in Asheville. Mr. Webb has been a successful lawyer, and has taken considerable interest in politics. He was on two occasions chairman of the city Democratic executive committee. He was nominated by the Democratic State convention for State senator from Buncombe county in 1902, and elected by a large majority over Hon. Thomas Settle. In the Senate he was a hard worker and looked well after the interests of Buncombe county. He was the author of the bill limiting the argument of attorneys in the Superior court, a bill which the Charlotte Observer and other papers said was by far the most important bill introduced in that session of the General Assembly. He was also author of the bill for better protection of mechanics, laboring and material men. In 1904 he was re-elected to the Senate, and served through the session of 1905, and was elected president pro tempore of that body. He originated the idea of giving the police courts of Asheville and other cities to cover all misdemeanors and the bill has been sustained by the Superior court. The effect of this bill will produce a revolution in criminal procedure in North Carolina. He also was the author of the bill to put the county officers of Buncombe county on salary, the effect of which goes into effect after next election. He was a member of several of the mort important committees.

In 1895 Mr. Webb was married to Miss Bruce Banks, of Washington, D. C. He is a member of the Presbyterian church and is a past grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, and superior representative of the Grand Lodge K. of P.

FROST TORRENCE

Was born in Gaston county, N. C., February 14, 1868. His father was W. J. Torrence, a physician of Gaston county, N. C., and his mother before her marriage was Miss Isabella Fells, of Gaston county.

He was educated in the Kingston Military Academy. Since 1887 he has been in the drug business. His principal business experience has been in Gastonia, where he owns a well equipped drug business, the Gastonia Opera House and the Gastonia Ice Plant. He has also been deeply interested in the cotton mill development of his native county.

On January 1st, 1895, he established the Torrence Paint and Wall Paper Company, at 10 North Tryon street, which has proved a successful enterprise.

He is a member of the Presbyterian church.

Starting with small resources, he has developed a progressive and successful career.

JUDGE PRITCHARD

Jeter Connelly Pritchard was born July 12, 1857, at Jonesboro, Tenn. His father was W. H. Pritchard, a Welshman, and his mother before her marriage was Miss Elizabeth Brown, a young lady of Irish parentage.

Judge Pritchard is one of the country's most eminent and finest types of the self-made man. At eleven years of age he was apprenticed in the office of the Jonesboro Herald and Tribune; at that time he could neither read nor write. He started for North Carolina with a cash capital of ten cents; at Bakersville he induced Professor W. C. Bowman to enter the newspaper business, and they started a paper known as the Bakersville Independent which in 1876 was changed to the Roan Mountain Republican, with young Pritchard as part owner. Two years later he moved to Madison county, farmed and was employed in the internal revenue service, read law and was elected to the legislature. In 1886 he was re-elected to the legislature and in 1887 was licensed by the Supreme court to practice law and opened a law office at Marshall, N. C. In 1888 he was Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor; was again elected to the legislature in 1890, and in 1891 was nominee of the Republican caucus for United States Senator in opposition to Senator Vance. Was Republican candidate for Congress in 1892 in the 9th congressional district and was elected United States senator in January 1895, to fill out the unexpired term of Senator Vance. He was re-elected to the Senate in 1897; was appointed by Roosevelt as associate justice of the Supreme court of the District of Columbia April 1st, 1903, and the appointment was confirmed by the Senate November 16, 1903. His able decisions in this office led the president

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to appoint him judge of the 4th United States Circuit Court April 27th, 1904.

His first wife was Miss Augusta L. Ray, of this state. His present wife was Miss Lillian S. Saum, of Washington, D. C. He has four children living and one dead.

His eldest son, Lieutenant W. D. Pritchard, died in the Phillipine Islands about a year ago; his daughter, Ida S., married Mr. Thos. S. Rollins, of Asheville; his son Arthur T., graduated at Jefferson Medical College, and is practicing medicine at Thomasville, Ga.; his son George is a cadet at West Point and his youngest son McKinley, is a student at Shenandoah Valley Academy, Winchester, Va.

Judge Pritchard is now making his home in Asheville.

HENRY WEIL

Was born April 9, 1846, at Oberdorf, Kingdom of Wurttemberg, Germany, a son of Jacob Weil, a dealer in antiquities, and a man of much culture. His mother was Miss Henrietta Oflaumlocher, a daughter of Hirst Pflaumlocher, a merchant tailor. He was educated in the "Real Schule" of Wurtemberg, Germany.

Since 1865 he has been engaged in the mercantile business at Goldsboro, N. C., in the firm of H. Weil & Brothers, and also became interested in cotton mills, rice mills, brick manufacture and an ice factory and other enterprises of the neighborhood. He has been an alderman for the town of Goldsboro, and has been a trustee of the graded schools of Goldsboro and of the University of North Carolina. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias, Elks, J. O. Buai Broth; and is president of the Jewish congregation of Goldsboro.

He married Miss Mina Rosenthal, a daughter of Emil Rosenthal, formerly of Wilson, N. C., but prior to his death a merchant at Goldsboro.

He is the father of four children, two daughters, Miss Gertrude Weil, who is a graduate of Smiths College, Mass., and Miss Janet Weil, a school girl. His two sons are Leslie Weil, a merchant, and Herman Weil, who superintends a brick yard.

Mr. Weil is regarded as one of Goldsboro's most progressive and valuable citizens.

JUDGE FREDERICK MOORE

Was born in Hominy Creek, seven miles from Asheville, in Buncombe county. His father was Daniel K. Moore, a farmer of Clay county. His mother before her marriage was Miss Matilda Caroline Dickey, who was born in Macon county, but lived in Cherokee county most of her life until her wedding.

Judge Moore was educated in the public schools of Hayesville, Clay county. He studied law in the University of North Carolina and was licensed September, 1892. He first practiced in Webster, Jackson county, with a cousin, Walter E. Moore, and later came to Asheville, January 1st, 1895, and practiced with Charles A. Moore and was elected Judge of the Superior court, 12th district, November, 1898, to fill out the term of Judge Norwood, resigned, and re-elected judge of the Fifteenth Judicial District for a term of eight years.

He was married November 27, 1895, to Miss Lela Enloe, of Dillsboro, Jackson county, and is father of four children, Edith, age seven, Frederick, age five, Margaret three, and Enloe one.

JOHN C. MONTGOMERY

Was born in Concord, August 30, 1868. He is a son of Judge W. J. Montgomery, a native of Montgomery county, N. C. His mother before her marriage was Miss Mary Cathell, of Fallbranch, Tenn.

He was educated at Trinity College, N. C., and the University of New York and received license to practice in 1891. First year after he began practice he was the physician at the Caladonia Convict Farm, after which he was associated with Dr. Register at Charlotte for about eleven years. In January, 1902, he began practice for himself as a general practitioner.

He is a member of the Knights of Pythias and secretary and treasurer of the Charlotte Medical Society, Medical Examiner for the Travelers' Life Insurance Co., Hartford Life Insurance Co., Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance Co., and Reliance Life Insurance Co. He is a member of Trinity Methodist church.

He married Miss Ada Heath, of Charlotte, November 12, 1902, and is the father of one daughter.

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FRANKLIN COXE

Was born at Rutherfordton, November 2, 1839, and died at Green River Plantation, Polk county, N. C., June 2, 1903. He was a son of Francis Sidney Coxe, and Jane McBee Alexander, his mother being a granddaughter of Colonel Elias Alexander.

He was educated in Rutherfordton, N. C., and at Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina, until his 16th year, when he entered the sophomore class of the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia, in class of 1857. He was also trained as a civil engineer in the anthracite coal fields of Pennsylvania, where he had extensive interests, and with other members of his family, founded the firm of Coxe Brothers & Company, afterwards the largest individual coal operating firm in America.

Before the war between the states he was a member of the First Troop Philadelphia Cavalry, but at the outbreak of the war entered Company B, Butler Guards, Kershaw regiment, Bonham's Brigade, South Carolina Volunteers and served through the first Bull Run campaign.

Being notified by his kinsmen and partners in Pennsylvania, who were joint owners with him in the coal lands, that the United States Government had learned of his presence in the Confederate army and was about to confiscate their interests as well as his own, he went to Richmond, laid the case before the Confederate states authorities, and was by them honorably discharged and advised to go North to protect his property. He then went to Philadelphia and after remaining there for some months, went abroad, having first placed a large sum in the hands of his Philadelphia agent to be used for the benefit of the Southern prisoners of war from the Carolinas and Virginia. At the close of the war he returned to the South and resided for a time in Greenville, S. C.

He was at one time president of the Commercial National Bank of Charlotte, N. C., and a director of that institution for several years and up to the time of his death. In 1886 he built the Battery Park hotel at Asheville, N. C., the first modern hotel in the state, which contributed largely to the development of the western section of North Carolina. He was the first president of the Charleston, Cincinnati and Chicago Railroad. He established the Battery Park Bank at Asheville in 1891. He built a memorial church at Rutherfordton to his mother's memory, which he gave to the Episcopal church, and in the yard of this church he is buried.

He was married in 1861 at Green River, N. C., to Mary Matilda Mills, a lineal descendant of Col. Joseph McDowell, of Revolutionary fame, who with five children survive him.

The first known ancestor of the American Coxes was Daniel Coxe, of Somerset, England, whose son, Dr. Daniel Coxe, of London, was court physician, and one of the founders of the Royal Society. He obtained a grant from the crown of all the lands in America lying between the 31st and 36th degrees of north latitude, or the territory between the northern boundary of what is now North Carolina and the southern line of Georgia, extending through to the Pacific. The largest grant ever made to a private individual.

CRAWFORD D. BENNETT

Second son of Capt. David N. and Agnes Craighead Dunlap Bennett, was born at Cedar Hill, Anson county, N. C.. Spent the years of his early youth at Norwood, N. C. Prepared for college at Bingham school and completed his education at the State University. He studied law at the University Law School under Hon. John Manning. Secured his law license in 1895. Practiced law as junior member of the firm of Bennett & Bennett at Wadesboro, from 1895 to 1901, when he removed to Charlotte, N. C., where he is now located and engaged in the general practice of his profession in the State and United States courts.

JUDGE WILLIAM PRESTON BYNUM, JR.

Is a son of Maj. Benjamin F. Bynum, of Stokes county, who was a leading resident and farmer of that section. His mother was Miss Henrietta Morris, of McDowell county, before her marriage.

He was graduated from Trinity College June 14, 1883, at the head of his class. He studied law at Dick and Dillard's Law School, Greensboro, N.

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C., and was admitted to practice February, 1884. He was first associated with his uncle, Judge W. P. Bynum, formerly of the Supreme Court Bench, practicing in Charlotte, N. C. He moved to Greensboro in October, 1887, where he was associated with Mr. Bartlett Shipp, practicing under the style of Bynum & Shipp for two years. He next practiced alone until 1895, when his cousin, Judge Gray Bynum, moved to Greensboro from Morganton, and formed a partnership with him. They practiced together until the death of Judge John Gray Bynum in August, 1902. Since then he has practiced alone. He was elected Solicitor of the Fifth Judicial District November, 1894, and served until September, 1898, when he resigned, and was appointed Judge by Governor Russell, and served until January 1, 1889, when he returned to the practice of his profession. He was appointed, by the Attorney General of the United States, Special United State Attorney for the preparation and trial of the celebrated bank cases of the United States versus W. E. Breese, W. H. Penland and J. E. Dickerson, and served in that capacity until 1904, when he resigned.

He was married in 1892 to Miss Mary F. Walker, of Charlotte, N. C.

Judge Bynum is a member of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Club, of Greensboro, and of the Tar Heel Republican Club. He is also a Mason, an Elk, and an Odd Fellow.

GEN. JULIAN SHAKESPEARE CARR

Prominent among the leading self-made men of North Carolina, is Julian S. Carr, noted for his public spirit and broad minded benevolence. He was born October 12, 1845, at Chapel Hill, N. C.

His father was John Wesley Carr, a merchant of Chapel Hill, who took a leading part in all the affairs of that community during his lifetime, and was one of the three justices of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Orange county under the old judicial system, and a descendant of John Carr, a native of county Down, Ireland, who settled in Virginia in 1728 and served as an ensign in the First Virginia Regiment in the War of Independence. General Carr's mother was Miss Elizabeth Pannell Bullock, a member of the honored Granville family of that name.

While a student at the University of North Carolina, he answered the call for recruits for the Confederate army, and enlisted as a private in Company K, 3d N. C. Cavalry, in Barringer's Brigade. After the war between the states he entered into business with his father at Chapel Hill. Next he spent a year in Arkansas, but returned to North Carolina in 1870, and shortly thereafter purchased a third interest in a tobacco business conducted at Durham by W. T. Blackwell and J. R. Day, for $4,000. That business while small, was a prosperous one, and was reorganized after General Carr's entrance into the firm under the style of W. T. Blackwell & Company, a house destined to become famous in the commercial world. The financial management was delegated to General Carr, to whose skill in making a little capital go a long way in results was largely due the rapid expansion of the business until it grew to mammoth proportions unparalleled in the history of their line of manufacture in the state.

Desiring to advance more rapidly, he bought out first Mr. Day's interest and later that of Mr. Blackwell, and he became known as the greatest business man and one of the most charitable and public spirited citizens in North Carolina. When he finally decided to retire from the tobacco business he sold his tobacco factory for a large fortune.

He has since devoted his splendid abilities and energy to other enterprises and has been president of the First National Bank of Durham since its creation and devotes himself to many other diversified commercial interests in Southern securities, real estate and development projects for the upbuilding of Durham, and the State of North Carolina.

He is president of an extensive list of corporations and is a trustee of the University of North Carolina, and has aided many young men seeking the means of obtaining an education.

By donation he saved Trinity College from extinction, and by further donation secured the beautiful grounds upon which the splendid new college buildings were built when it was deemed advisable to remove the college from Randolph county to Durham, and where Craven Memorial Hall was erected upon the campus of

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Trinity in commemoration of Dr. Craven, under whose fostering care the college had been established. General Carr presented the bill to the college receipted in full. He also headed a syndicate which re-purchased the Greensboro Female College, and restored it to the Methodist church after the institution had been sold at auction and was president of the board of directors of that institution for several years, conducting the college on a plane that won the commendation of the Methodists and people of North Carolina.

He has also contributed liberally to Wake Forest, Davidson and St. Mary's, and to the University of North Carolina he has given the beautiful and stately Carr Building, named in his honor, one of the finest structures on its magnificent campus.

When the United Veteran Association of the Confederate States was organized, he was elected Major General of North Carolina and has been regularly re-elected since commanding the North Carolina Veterans at the various reunions.

He virtually declined what would probably have been the unanimous nomination of the Democratic party for the office of Governor of North Carolina in 1896, and at the National Democratic convention held in Kansas City, 1900, North Carolina and Idaho complimented General Carr with their votes for the Vice-Presidency. Although defeated in 1900 for the position of United States Senator by Hon. F. M. Simmons, he gracefully yielded to the verdict of the majority, and has since exerted as strong a political influence for his party in the state as he did before that election.

He has been four times a delegate at large from North Carolina to the National Democratic convention, and has been influential in naming the party candidates for President and Vice-President.

He has been twice a candidate to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and to the World's Council of Methodists, held in London, and to the Robert Raikes Sunday-School Convention, also held in London, and a lay delegate to many of the annual conferences in this state.

His wide reading, attractive presence and excellent delivery, make him an acceptable and often eloquent speaker and lecturer, and he has been called upon to deliver many public addresses which have been much admired for the varied information contained and polished style of their composition and sound reasoning of their logic.

He married Miss Nannie Graham Parrish February 19, 1873, who is a daughter of Col. D. C. Parrish, of "Round Hill," a country seat situated in the northern part of Durham county, and is the father of six children. The Carr home is one of the show places in Durham, and its inner life one of the most happy and refined as it is one of the most elegant. The name was chosen in honor of General Carr's kinsman, Robert Carr, Earl of Somerset. In it are dispensed the graceful genuine hospitality of a North Carolina gentleman of the olden time.

WILLIAM GEORGE RANDALL

Was born in Upper Creek Township, Burke county, N. C., November 16, 1860. His father was John Randall, a farmer and his mother was Miss Susan Webb, a daughter of Thomas Webb, a farmer.

He was educated at the University of North Carolina and has become one of the most noted portrait painters of the state.

He is a Mason and a member of the Protestant Episcopal church.

He married Miss Annie J. Goodloe, a daughter of Henry Garrett Goodloe, a hotel proprietor of Warrenton, N. C. Three sons have been born to this union, all of whom are dead.

EDWARD JUDSON JUSTICE

Was born in Rutherfordton, June 30, 1867. His father is Judge M. H. Justice, of the Superior Court. His mother, before her marriage, was Miss Margaret L. Smith, of Swannanoa Township, Buncombe county. He graduated from Wake Forest College, in class of 1887, and studied law with his father and at Col. George N. Folks' Law School, on the Yadkin river, in Caldwell county. He was admitted to the bar in 1888, and first practiced in Rutherfordton with his father, under the firm name of Justice & Justice, until January, 1903, when he moved to Marion, where he practiced until March 2, 1903; when he moved to

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Greensboro, where he has been in successful practice until the present. While in Marion, he was elected mayor of that city for one term, and was a member of the House of Representatives of the State Legislature from McDowell county in 1899, and a member of the State Senate in 1903. He served on the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, and on the Judiciary Committee, and was Chairman of the Committee on Corporations in 1899, and was Chairman of the Committee on Railroads and Railroad Commission in 1903, and also served on the Judiciary Committee, and other important committees.

He represents the Cone interests, and is attorney for several other large industrial corporations.

He was married, in 1896, to Miss Lula Cutlar, of Wilmington, and is the father of five children, all girls.

He is one of the Board of Governors of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Club of Greensboro.

JOSEPH AUSTIN HOLMES

Was born November 23, 1859, at Laurens, S. C., a son of Zelotes Lee Holmes, a Presbyterian minister, and teacher who was at one time superintendent of schools for Laurens county. His mother was Miss Nancy Catherine Nickels, a daughter of John Nickels, a physician and farmer.

Mr. Holmes was educated in the Laurens, S. C. Academy and Cornell University. Since his graduation he has held many positions of public trust and honor; among them may be mentioned, professor of geology at the University of North Carolina from 1881 to 1891; state geologist of North Carolina 1891; chief of the Department of Mines at the St. Louis Exposition 1903-1904; in charge of the investigations of forces and structural materials for the United States geological survey; lecturer on mining, geology, school of mines, University of North Carolina.

He is a member of the Mitchell Scientific Society, Chapel Hill, N. C.; Academy of Science of Raleigh, Washington and St. Louis; Geological Society of America, and American Institute of Mining Engineers.

He is Ruling Elder in the Presbyterian church.

He married Miss Jeanie Sprunt, a daughter of the late Alexander Sprunt, a cotton merchant of Wilmington, N. C., and a native of Scotland. He is the father of two daughters, Jean Dalzeel and Margaret Catherine; and two sons, Joseph Austin, Jr., and James Sprunt.

C. A. REYNOLDS

Was born in Madison, N. C., November 10, 1848, a son of Dr. Thomas Reynolds, a physician, who was for a time also a justice of the peace. His mother was Miss Sarah Jane Fewel, a daughter of William Fewel, who was a merchant and farmer, and it is thought by relatives, when a young man, a deputy clerk of the court of Rockingham county.

Mr. Reynolds was educated at Chapel Hill, N. C., and at Princeton, N. J. After leaving college he merchandised for a while to wind up his father's estate, and then went into the manufacture of tobacco and was fairly successful. He was a justice of the peace about 1874 and again in 1888; a deputy collector of internal revenue from 1876 to 1882; Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina from 1897 to 1901; was appointed postmaster of Winston-Salem in 1901, and again in 1905.

He married Miss Carrie W. Fretwell, a daughter of William Fretwell, a tailor who passed the last years of his lift at Leaksville, N. C.

W. C. TROY

Was born at Troy's Store, Randolph county, N. C., July 30, 1833. His father was John Balfour Troy, who was born in 1790 in Carter county, Tennessee, a farmer and merchant by occupation, and a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who was never known to drink, smoke, chew or swear, a grandson of Tibbie Balfour, who was present at the age of ten, when her father, Col. Andrew Balfour, was killed by the notorious Fanning. His father was also for twenty years a member of the county court of Randolph county, and represented that county in the General Assembly, and was elected to the Constitutional convention in 1861 receiving all but ten votes, but as the convention was never called he did not

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serve. His mother was Miss Nancy Lane, who was born in 1800, the daughter of Isaac Lane, for many years sheriff of Randolph county, who in the early part of the nineteenth century before the days of railroads, rode horseback to Indiana, and brought back to Randolph the murderer of Naomi, who was drowned by her betrothed in the waters of Deep River, near where Naomi factory now stands, taking its name from that tragic incident.

Mr. Troy was educated at Old Trinity, in Randolph county, and was for thirty years engaged in the mercantile business at Fayetteville, N. C. In 1870, during the days of carpet bagging and the Holden-Kark war, the people of the Sixteenth Senatorial District called him to an active part in politics and he was elected to the Senate of North Carolina and was a member of the High Court of Impeachment which unseated His Excellency Governor Holden.

He was again elected to the Senate in 1872 and again in 1876 and again in 1884. In 1871 he was chairman of the committee of "Penal Institutions," which committee broke up the existing state of affairs at the penitentiary, abrogating the contract then held by non-resident citizens at fabulous prices and providing that the convicts should manufacture the bricks in the enclosure and so far as practicable should be used in the building of the present establishment, thereby doubtless saving two or more millions of dollars to the state.

He was the author of the commutation bill allowing convicts to gain some time and money on their good behavior, which law proved a great success in the government of prisoners.

He was appointed chairman of a legislative committee and directed to go to Henry Station, then terminus of the Western North Carolina railroad, make a thorough investigation of the said road and report what disposition had best be made with what then seemed to be an incubus on the state. My committee took the position that if the road could be pushed on developing the French Broad and Swannanoa valleys, completing the road to Asheville the road would soon become self-sustaining. It was a hazardous move, but he made the motion that $70,000 be taken from the treasury and be appropriated for the purpose of pushing this road.

The opposition moved to strike out $70,000 from Troy's bill and insert one dollar, thus ridiculing the idea of building the road. The senator offering that amendment said in his remarks that if the road was completed to Asheville one train per month would do the business for that country.

The fight on the bill was a tie vote, when Governor Jarvis, then in the chair, gave the casting vote for the committee.

The public now knows the result.

The board of directors of the state penitentiary being familiar with his connection with the road and affairs, appointed him in 1885 supervisor of all the state prisoners of Western North Carolina, where he went as soon as the Legislature adjourned and was camped at Biltmore (then Asheville Junction), where headquarters were until the road was completed to Hendersonville, when he was transferred to the Murphy Division and finally down on the French Broad river, straightening the road.

In 1893 the Hon. F. M. Simmons appointed him deputy collector in the Eastern Division of North Carolina, in which service he remained continuously, even after the expiration of Col. Simmons' term, when the Civil Service Commission held a collector should appoint his own deputies, when his services with E. C. Duncan terminated. In 1877 he was the introducer and author of the bill creating an Agricultural Department of the State, which bill was referred to a special committee of three representatives and five senators of which committee he was chairman, and it being a new departure, met considerable opposition, but the great and noble Vance endorsed on the bill his unqualified support of it, which aided very much in its passage.

The same session on his motion that a portion of His Excellency's message alluding to normal schools was referred to the committee on education, of which he was a member. When Maj. Finger, chairman of said committee, appointed Senator Iredell and himself a committee to draw a bill, after matured deliberation they decided to risk two normal schools, one for the whites at Chapel Hill, and one for the negroes at Fayetteville, which they reported to their committee and the bill was passed. John D. Williams, Dr. T. D. Haigh and Mr. Troy were appointed to institute the

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normal school at Fayetteville, which school is still in existence, having different boards in charge.

The succeeding General Assembly was so well pleased with the workings of the normal schools that it created eight more normal schools, four for each race, which, however, do not exist now.

He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and for several years was a member of the board of stewards and like his father, never drank, chewed, or played cards.

He married Miss Louisa E. Powers, a daughter of J. W. Powers, a merchant of Fayetteville, N. C., who was the granddaughter of David Burroughs, a Revolutionary officer, who rests in the cemetery on Cross Creek near Fayetteville, and is the father of eight children, four daughters and four sons: Lula, wife of C. C. McDonald, Etta May Wyche, teacher in the graded schools of Waynesville, Ella Kate, wife of Rev. Wm. H. Hardin, an Episcopal rector, Tibbie Balfour, wife of W. L. Hardin, of Waynesville, Rev. John C. Troy, Charles W. Troy, in railroad service, Robert H. Troy, a drummer of Atlanta, Ga.

R. S. REINHARDT

Is a son of Franklin M. Reinhardt, an iron manufacturer. His mother was Miss Sarah Smith, a daughter of David Smith, a farmer. He was educated in the common schools of Lincoln county. He began his commercial career merchandising at Iron Station, Lincoln county, N. C., in 1874, and moved to Lincolnton in 1890 to become the president and treasurer of the Elm Grove Cotton Mills and president and manager of the Piedmont Cotton Mills. He is also president of the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association, and was one of its three organizers in 1897, and a director in the American Cotton Manufacturers Publishing Company.

DANIEL LINDSAY RUSSELL

Was born August 7, 1845, in Brunswick county on Winnabow Plantation, a son of Daniel Lindsay Russell, Sr., a planter who represented Brunswick county in the State Legislature and was a county judge and chairman of the county court, and also a member of the constitutional convention of 1865. His mother was Miss Caroline Elizabeth Sanders, a daughter of David Ward Sanders, a planter who was sheriff of Onslow county, clerk of the county court, a member of the constitutional convention of 1835 and a member of the council of state during Governor Graham's administration. He was educated at Bingham's School and the University of North Carolina. He was a member of the North Carolina Legislature during the sessions of 1845-6; 1865-6 and 1876. He was judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit from 1868 to 1874 and a member of Congress from 1879 to 1881, and Governor of North Carolina from 1897 to 1901.

He married Miss Sarah Amanda Sanders, a daughter of Isaac Newton Sanders, a planter of Onslow county, N. C.

He has been the senior member of the law firm of Russell & Goodman, of Wilmington, N. C., for several years, and is noted for his exceptional ability in his chosen profession.

WASHINGTON DUKE

One of the most inspiring records of human endeavor to be recorded of any American is the biography of the celebrated citizen of the Old North State whose name stands at the head of this article.

Washington Duke was born on the 20th of December, 1820, in what was then Orange county, now Durham, N. C. His father was a native of Orange and his mother of Granville county, N. C., the former of English and Scotch-Irish extraction, the latter of Welsh parentage. His father, Taylor Duke, was a successful farmer, who in his day held many county offices, was a deputy sheriff, captain of militia and was a strong man, both as to body, mind and character. He had ten children, of whom Washington was the most successful and famous.

Washington Duke was reared upon a farm, and his early career was that of the average farmer's son, but finally he became the largest manufacturer in his line the world has ever known. His path to commercial preferment was not along rose-strewn thorough-

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fares to the plaudits of the multitude. Adversity, the stern teacher of so many successful men, was his principal instructor, but six months of his life were spent in school.

In his wide business experience, however, his strong, keen intellect possessed varied and wide information. He labored on his father's farm until he was 21 years of age, when he rented a place and began life for himself. He continued to rent for four years. At the end of that period he had saved money sufficient to purchase a small farm. He continued to add to this first tract year by year, until he became the owner of a plantation of 300 acres. He continued the occupation of farming until 1863, when he enlisted in the Confederate army as a private, and was assigned to guard duty at Camp Homes. A few months later he was transferred to the navy and was sent to Charleston, S. C.

Six months later he was transferred to Richmond, where he was placed on duty at Battery Brook. Here he distinguished himself for his expert management of artillery, and was promoted to the rank of orderly sergeant. When the army retreated to Appomatox he was captured and spent several weeks in Libby Prison.

After the surrender he was given transportation as far as Newbern, N. C., from whence he walked to his home, a distance of 134 miles, and once more took up his life as a farmer.

It was at this period that the dauntless spirit and exceptional devotedness of his character showed themselves most notably.

Before the war Mr. Duke had been twice married. First, in 1844, to Miss Mary C., daughter of Jesse and Rachael (Vickers) Clinton, of Orange county, N. C., by whom he had two children, Sidney T., who died when fourteen years old, and Brodie L. His first wife died November 18, 1847, and on December 9, 1852, Mr. Duke was married to Miss Artelia, daughter of John and Mary Roney, of Alamance county, N. C., who bore him one daughter and two sons: Mary E., Benjamin N., and James B. His second wife died August 20, 1858.

On joining the army, Mr. Duke had placed his eldest son, Brodie L., in charge of Major Gee, the superintendent of the Salisbury prison, and his three children, by his second wife, with Mr. Roney, their maternal grandfather. After gathering together his four motherless children, he began life anew on his farm with 50 cents in silver, received in exchange from a Federal soldier for a five dollar Confederate note, and two blind mules obtained from the army of Gen. Sherman. Thus equipped, he began a career which resulted in the establishment of a gigantic industry, the largest of its kind on this globe, and the amassing of a fortune of seven millions.

His daughter, but twelve years of age, applied herself to the housekeeping with ability and left her father, and brothers free to attend to their farm duties and their tobacco factory. That first factory was a rude log cabin, 16x18 feet, where began in 1865 the manufacture of the now celebrated Duke smoking tobacco. The business increased to such a volume that he was obliged to remove to Durham in 1873 and build a factory, with a floor space 40x70 feet, and three stories in height, to which, in 1875, another building was added. He had consolidated by that time with his son, Brodie L. Duke, who had been in the same line of business in Durham for three years. They enlarged their facilities to meet the rapid increase in their business, and added the manufacture of cigarettes. Their annual business now amounted to over four and a half million dollars and they employed 900 hands in Durham and 500 hands in their branch factory in New York. Their output of cigarettes and smoking tobacco sold far and wide over the United States, Canada and in foreign lands. Mr. Duke became recognized both in this country and abroad, as a business man of unusual ability. His sons shared with their father in the glory attendant upon the establishment of their gigantic business and he was proud of his boys.

Mr. Duke gave liberally to the church, the cause of education and to public and private charities. He was a Christian gentleman and an influential member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Durham. He was instrumental in building Main Street Methodist Episcopal church at Durham, and donated $85,000 toward a new building for Trinity College, N. C. He purchased the Louisburg Female College for $5,000 and placed it in care of the Methodist Episcopal church for educational purposes.

One of the most remarkable points about his career is that he, although a Southern planter, foresaw the inexped-

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iency of the passage of an ordinance of secession in 1860 by his state and argued against it. But he went with his people in their choice, following his heart's impulse against the dictates of his reason, and when Peace returned he attached himself to the National Republican party believing its principles safer for the country. But he never became active in politics; his energies and time being almost wholly monopolized by his great business interests. Throughout his long career rising from direst adversity he won reputation and wealth, but retained his character unblemished, his faith unshaken and his personal popularity undiminished.

His memory will live long in his native state, where he is affectionately recalled as a good man and worthy citizen.

REV. C. G. VARDELL

Was born in Charleston, S. C., February 12, 1860, a son of William Gidersleve Vardell, a Presbyterian minister. His mother was Miss Jane Dickson Bell, a daughter of William Bell, a planter who owned several large plantations in South Carolina.

He was educated at Oberlin College, Davidson College and Princeton University. Since leaving college he has been pastor of the Presbyterian church at New Berne, N. C., and president of the Southern Presbyterian College and Conservatory of Music. He is a Mason and a K. of P. He married Miss Lula L. Rumple, a daughter of the Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., of six children, five girls and a boy.

REV. ALEXANDER D. McCLURE, A. M., D. D.

Was born July 9, 1850, at Lewisburg, Tenn. He is a son of Robert G. McClure, a physician and an elder in the Presbyterian church, who was a member of the Convention Session in 1861 and colonel commanding the 41st Tennessee regiment C. S. A., and clerk of commissions Chancery Court. His mother was Miss Mary Elizabeth Ewing, a daughter of Allen Lyle Ewing, a prominent merchant farmer and citizen and an elder in the Presbyterian church.

He was educated in Princeton College, New Jersey, and in Princeton Theological Seminary. He has been chaplain of Seaman Bethel and president of the Associated Charities. He is a Mason, Blue Lodge chapter and commandery Knights Templar, and a member of the I. O. O. F. He is pastor of St. Andrews Presbyterian church of Wilmington, N. C.

He married Miss Frances R. Calloway, a daughter of Wm. Edwin Calloway, a successful farmer of Henry county, Kentucky, and is the father of three children, a girl and two boys, Miss Elizabeth Lyle McClure, Alexander M. McClure, an attorney of Louisville, Ky., and Robert Edwin McClure.

HON. ROBERT D. GILMER

Was born the 2d of May, 1859, at Mt. Airy, Surry county, N. C., a son of Samuel L. Gilmer, a merchant. His mother was Matilda C. Moore, a granddaughter of Jesse Franklin, Governor of North Carolina in 1820 and 1821.

Mr. Gilmer entered Emory and Henry College, Va., in 1879, where he remained two years and took the debator's medal. Later he attended Dick and Dillard's Law School at Greensboro, and graduated from that institution in 1882. He was licensed during that year and began practice at Mt. Airy. He moved to Waynesville in 1885 and the following year was elected chairman of the county Democratic executive committee, a position he held four years. He also served as chairman of the executive committee of the Twelfth Judicial District.

In 1890 he was nominated and elected to the Legislature of North Carolina and was chairman of the committee on education. He introduced the bill to establish the State Normal and Industrial School at Greensboro, and secured its passage. He was re-elected to the Legislature in 1892 and served as chairman of the committee on corporations. In 1894 he was made chairman of the Democratic Congressional committee of the Ninth District. In 1896 he was Democratic elector for the Ninth District. In 1898 he was elected Attorney General of North Carolina, and was re-elected in 1904, entering upon his second term January, 1905.

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THOMAS D. MEARES

Was born in North Carolina and is descended from ancestors long prominent in the history of the state. He joined the Knights of Pythias in 1880, as a member of Stonewall Lodge, No. 1, of Wilmington. He passed through the chairs in 1882, and was elected grand representative in 1885, declined re-election in 1886, but was again elected in 1887. At the ensuing grand lodge session he was unanimously elected Grand Vice Chancellor. In 1888 he received the unanimous vote for Grand Chancellor, and again in 1889, serving twenty-eight months in the two terms owing to a change in the date of the grand lodge session. Mr. Meares was unanimously elected a supreme representative in 1891, and re-elected unanimously in 1895. His extensive acquaintance in the state and fine executive ability make him the most influential member in the grand lodge. He is an enthusiastic believer and worker in the Endowment Rank, and is also major of the First N. C. battalion of the Uniform Rank.

Elected Supreme Master of Exchequer, Knights of Pythias, in 1896, a position he has held continuuously since. At present, occupying position of clerk to the Board of Audit and Finance of the city of Wilmington, a position analogous to that of City Auditor.

Served as a member of board of aldermen in 1897.

Was private in the Confederate army, courier on Gen. Hampton's staff.

HONORABLE LEE SLATER OVERMAN

Senator Overman was born January 3, 1854, in Salisbury, Rowan county; graduated at Trinity College, North Carolina, with the degree of A. B., June, 1874; the degree of M. A. was conferred upon him two years later; taught school two years; was private secretary to Governor Z. B. Vance in 1877-78, and private secretary to Governor Thomas J. Jarvis in 1879; began the practice of law in his native town in 1880; has had a leading practice; was five times a member of the legislature, sessions of 1883, 1885, 1887, 1893, 1901; was the unanimous choice of the Democratic caucus for speaker in 1887, and was defeated by one vote through a combination of Independents and Republicans; was the unanimous choice of his party and elected speaker of the house of representatives, session of 1893; was president of the North Carolina Railroad Company in 1894; was the choice of the Democratic caucus for United States Senator in 1895, and defeated in open session Hon. Jeter C. Pritchard through a combination of Republicans and Populists; was president of the Democratic State convention in 1900; has been for ten years a member of the board of trustees of the State University; was chosen Presidential elector for the State at large in 1900; married Mary P., the eldest daughter of United States Senator, afterwards Chief Justice, A. S. Merrimon, October 31, 1878; was elected to the United States Senate to succed Jeter C. Pritchard, and ook his seat March 4, 1903. His term of service will expire March 3, 1909.

Senator Overman has been honored by his home people with various positions of honor and trust and no position of trust, however humble, in which the good of his town or county was involved has been rejected by him. He is now identified with nearly every prominent enterprise in the city, is president of one bank and director in another.

His domestic life is ideal. Three daughters, the eldest, Mrs. Edwin Clarke Gregory, whose maiden name was Miss Margie Overman, one of the most beautiful young women in the South, comprise, with Mrs. Overman, this distinguished household.

Personally, Senator Overman is the most lovable of men. He is without assiduous trumpeting of tin horns, a man of the people. As handsome as a demi-god, he has a way that woos and wins. No man is insignificant to him.

At the bar, he has had a remarkably successful career. Before a jury he is irresistible and his splendid ability has called him into some of the greatest cases tried in the State. He was the foremost figure in the celebrated James case which went the rounds of the State and Federal judiciary and ended with a compromise, Senator Overman receiving a large sum from the railroad for his client. He was counsel also in the Sherrill-White and Grubb cases which attracted national attention.

Great as he is as advocate of the law, his chiefest claim to fame rests upon his tremendous power on the

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stump. There his personality and phenomenal eloquence combined, make him probably the greatest campaigner in this State of great orators. Since he became of age, his voice has been heard on every stump. There is not living in North Carolina, a man of more splendid party record. In his own county, there has been no party service too inconsequential for him. He has spoken at every school house in it. It is these qualities, the willingness to serve that finally have landed him in the world's greatest forum.

Senator Overman is popular in this great body. He has been on some of the most important committees and helped to conduct the examination of Apostle Smith and his claims to the United States Senatorship. He has appeared seldom, but each time with credit to himself and his State, which latter he is most anxious to honor.

WILLIAM C. BAIN

Was born in Guilford county, January 8, 1839, a son of Jonathan Bain, a farmer. His mother was Miss Lydia Carter, of Eastern Carolina. He was educated in the Old Field school near his father's farm. His first business venture was with his brother, J. C. Bain, in 1858, in the manufacture of wagons and carriages and he continued in this business until 1862, when he entered the Confederate service in Company G, 46th N. C. regiment, Cook's Brigade, and was promoted to office of first sergeant, a position he held until the close of the war. He was in the regular service from South Carolina to Pennsylvania, but principally in Virginia. He was in the first campaign in Maryland and was captured September 13, 1862, and imprisoned at Fort Delaware, but was paroled a month later at Middletown, Md. He was never wounded, although he had his clothes cut several times. After returning home and being exchanged, he returned to his command and continued in the regular service. In a special picket charge on the morning of April 1, 1865, near Petersburg, he was again captured and carried to Point Lookout, where he was imprisoned until the 27th day of June, 1865, when he was paroled and returned to his home, this time to enter into his former business with his brother, and continued for six years in that business. He then went into the building business in a small way, and has made this his specialty until 1895, when he merged his business with the Central Carolina Construction Company. He has been the builder of some of the principal public and private edifices in the South. Among the residences he built are: Colonel J. S. Carr's, Durham, N. C., and R. B. Ramey's in Raleigh, N. C., and several other equally handsome homes. Among the public edifices may be noted: The City Hall and City National Bank, Greensboro; Agricultural and Mechanical College, Raleigh, N. C., Spencer Building of the Normal and Industrial College, Greensboro, Carolina Hotel, Pinehurst and Harvard Hotel, Pinehurst are among the many of the important structures he has erected.

The company he is now conducting is capitalized at $100,000, and claims to be as well equipped to do building as any construction company in the country. He has a fine home near Greenville and has recently become interested in the manufacture of concrete and artificial stone with good prospects of business in this line.

He is president of the Greensboro Fiber Plaster Company, the Central Carolina Construction Company. He is a director and stockholder in the City National Bank and the North State Fire Insurance Company of Greensboro.

He is a trusee of Grace Methodist Protestant church of Greensboro.

During March, 1862, he married Miss Mary A. Lane, and has two daughters and four sons living.

HENRY LOUIS SMITH, LL. D.

Was born July 30, 1859, a son of Rev. Jacob Henry Smith, D. D., a Presbyterian minister. His mother was Miss Mary Kelly Watson, a daughter of Judge Egbert R. Watson, of Charlottesville, Va.

His early education was obtained in the city schools of Greensboro, N. C., and in 1881 he took the degree of A. B. at Davidson College and in 1888 received the degree of A. M. from that institution. In 1891 he received the degree of Ph. D. from the University of Virginia.

From 1881 to 1886 he was principal of the Salem Academy, of Salem, N. C. From 1887 to 1901 he was pro-

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fessor of physics in Davidson College, and since 1901 has been president of Davidson College.

He is an elder in the Presbyterian church.

He married Miss Julia Lorraine Dupuy, a daughter of J. J. Dupuy, M. D., of Davidson, N. C., and is the father of four children, two girls and two boys, Helen Lorraine, age 7; Julia Dupuy, 3; J. Henry, 9; and Raymond Dupuy, 5 years.

COL. ROBERT BINGHAM

Was born September 5th, 1839, at Hillsboro, N. C. His mother was Miss Eliza Alves Norwood, a daughter of Judge William Norwood, of Hillsboro.

He was educated at his father's school and the University of North Carolina, from which he graduated in 1857, with first honor and the degree of A. B. and three years later was given the degree of A. M. and in 1890 the degree of LL. D. was conferred upon him.

During July, 1857, then 18 years of age, he joined his father and brother as a junior partner in The Bingham School, and with the exception of four years' valiant military service during the war between the sections, has been engaged in this work ever since. He raised a company in 1861, which in the early part of 1862 became Company G, 44th North Carolina Troops, and served with it until the surrender of Lee and was one of those who laid down their arms at Appomatox Court House.

The war ended, he at once resumed his life work at the school. His father, the second headmaster of Bingham School, died in 1866, and his brother, the late Col. William Bingham, the third headmaster of Bingham, died in 1873, when Col. Robert Bingham, the fourth headmaster, took charge of the grand old institution, and it has been in his hands ever since.

The founder and first headmaster of the school was Rev. William Bingham, of Down County, Ireland, who had been educated for the ministry of the Presbyterian church, and graduated with first distinction at the University of Glasgow.

Colonel Robert Bingham moved his school to Asheville, N. C., in 1891, and erected a lecture hall, barracks, gymnasium and other buildings at Bingham Heights, which overlooks the city of Asheville and the French Broad river. The military feature has been perfected, and it is one of the hundred schools in the United States to which officers of the United States army are detailed as commandants of cadets and ranks among the first four or five of its character in the country.

Col. Bingham is a broad thinker on political questions, and enthusiastic in his efforts for the education of the masses.

His article, "An Ex-Slaveholder's View of the Race Question," and "Some Sectional Misunderstandings" have been widely copied. He delivered a notable address before the Southern Society in New York city December 14th, 1904, in response to the toast, "The Status of the South in the Past; the Decadence of that Status; its Restoration."

Col. Bingham has three children living of five that have been born to him. His first wife was Miss Della Worth, daughter of Dr. John Worth, of Randolph, and his second wife was Miss V. M. Woodward, daughter of Rev. B. F. Woodward, of South Carolina.

JUDGE H. T. PHILLIPS

Few men have life records as unique in every way as is the record of Davidson's clerk of the court, Judge H. T. Phillips, "the people's friend." Although he attended school but ten months in his life, he was elected a professor in Yadkin College at the age of seventeen and held the position for eight years. He was postmaster at Yadkin College "through thick and thin" for eighteen years, and at last had to resign to get rid of it. In 1879 he was elected county superintendent of public instruction and served over two terms, resigning this office also. He was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Clerk of the Court C. F. Lowe in 1885, and the year following saw him elected to that office. He served eight years as clerk and went down with everybody else in the Waterloo of 1894: but he was pushed to the fore again in 1898, and was overwhelmingly elected to the clerk's office as he was again in 1902. But it is as a farmer that he chiefly deserves fame. He owns a very fine farm of 400 acres

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near Lexington and lives on it. He is also interested in the Linwood Veneering Company, and was at one time president and third owner of the Bank of Lexington. He is a Methodist in good standing and Democratic all along the line. In the civil war he was a member of Company C, First Regiment of Junior Reserves. Without the oily tongue of the politician he has made friends all over Davidson among men of all classes and every party; has given every man a square deal and served the poor and the needy without remuneration or hope of same. This is the brief record of a man who began at zero. His success in life is due to his having within him that spirit which drove him to his books after working all day, for he got his education alone by candlelight.

SUMTER COE BRAWLEY

Was born April 8th, 1879, in Davidson township, Iredell county, North Carolina, being the third son of Hiram A. Brawley and wife, Susan A. Brawley.

He lived and worked on the farm until about 19 years of age, attending the public schools of the county a few months each year. He then attended a high school and taught several public schools in Iredell county, and in 1900 completed a course in shorthand and bookkeeping at Lee's Business College, Charlotte, N. C., after which he accepted a position with the law firm of Clarkson & Duls, of that city, which position he held for more than four years, studying law at night a portion of said time, and then completed his legal education at the University of North Carolina, and was licensed to practice law in August, 1905; and has been a member of the firm of Bramham & Brawley, at Durham, N. C., since that time.

BARZILLAR G. WORTH

Was born in Guilford county, June 26, 1822. His father was Dr. David Worth, a physician of Guilford county, who represented that county in the State Legislature. His mother was Miss Eunice Gardner, a daughter of Steven Gardner, of Guilford county.

Mr. Worth was educated at New Garden Boarding School, now Guilford College.

After leaving school he first engaged in mercantile pursuits, but in 1842 was employed in taking dauguerreotype pictures at Raleigh, and did a large business in this line. In 1847 he began to merchandise in Randolph county, where he continued for three years. With his brother, Governor Jonathan Worth, he moved to Wilmington, and went into business with his brother, T. C. Worth, and has remained in Wilmington, with the exception of a short period spent in New York, to the present date. He has been a public spirited citizen, an able, conservative business man, and was for seventeen years a member of the board of county commissioners.

He is a Mason and a member of the Presbyterian church, and an elder in the First Presbyterian church of Wilmington since 1854.

He married Miss Elizabeth Carter, a daughter of Judge John P. Carter, and granddaughter of Judge Archibald D. Murphy, June 26, 1845, and is the father of seven children, four girls and three boys, all living except the youngest daughter, Julia, who married Mr. A. G. Herring, of Sampson county. She died in 1895. One of his sons, W. E. Worth, is a leading business man and manufacturer of Wilmington, and his daughter, Cornelia, is the wife of Geo. R. French, the well known wholesale shoe dealer of Wilmington.

JOHN RAYMOND McCRARY

Was born April 23, 1872, a son of John W. McCrary, a furniture dealer who was for sixteen years treasurer of Davidson county. His mother was Miss Donsilla Leonard, daughter of a large farmer.

Mr. McCrary was educated at the Southern Normal School at Lexington and at Trinity College, graduating from the latter in 1891 with the degree of M. A. In 1892 he attended the University of Michigan. He attended the University of North Carolina during 1893 and 1894, and studied law under Doctor John Manning, and obtained his license in 1894 and began practice alone at Lexington that year. In 1904 he formed a partnership with Mr. Robert Ruark, of Southport, N. C., a former partner of Mr. Iredell

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Mears, of Wilmington, N. C., and a council for the Western Union Telegraph Company at New York.

Mr. McCrary was elected to the Legislature in the fall of 1896 by one of the largest majorities ever given a candidate in Davidson county. He took a prominent part in the proceedings, especially in favor of the 99 years' lease of the North Carolina railroad to the Southern Railway Company.

He was nominated by the Republicans as one of the two electors-at-large during the amendment campaign of 1900, and canvassed the state with Judge Pritchard and others. He ran for the position of solicitor of the Tenth Judicial District in the fall of 1902, but was defeated by W. C. Hammer, of Asheboro. At present he is one of the referees in bankruptcy for the Western District of North Carolina.

He was married on September 20, 1904, to Miss Mary L. Tatum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Tatum, of Stuart, Virginia, whose mother is a descendant of General Hunter, and also of Colonel Penn, of Revolutionary fame, monuments to both of whom are on Guilford Battle Ground. He is the father of one child, a daughter. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. At one time he was a regular contributor to the Sunday editions of the Charlotte Observer.

His law practice consists largely of suits against the railways.

WILLIAM AUGUSTUS SELF

Was born two and a half miles southwest of Newton, N. C., September 16, 1866. His father was William R. Self, a manufacturer who ran a machine shop and foundry, flouring and planing mills in Catawba county, near Newton. His mother was Miss Mary M. Bost, a daughter of Joseph Bost, a farmer and large slave owner of Catawba county.

Mr. Self was educated at the Old Crab Orchard schoolhouse, near his home, and at the Catawba College. He graduated from the University of North Carolina with the degree of A. B. He next studied law in the law school conducted by Colonel Folk, and obtained his license in 1889. He first practiced in Newton for several years. He moved to Hickory, N. C., and practiced there until 1896, when he formed an association with A. A. Whitner. He was nominated for the State Senate in 1896. He was elected to the House of Representatives in 1902, and made a brilliant record as an orator.

FRANCIS SIDNEY COXE

Was born October 1, 1867, at

His father was the late Col. Franklin Coxe, of Asheville, and his mother, before her marriage, was Miss Mary Matilda Mills, of Polk county. His early education was obtained from private tutors, later he attended the University of the South at Sewanee, Tenn., leaving there in 1882 to enter the class of 1888 of the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia. After leaving college he read law for a year under R. C. McMurtrie, of Philadelphia. During the year 1887 he formed a partnership with D. C. Waddell, under the firm name of Waddell & Coxe, and engaged in the insurance and coal business and in 1897 took charge of his father's affairs, which consisted of valuable coal lands in Pennsylvania and considerable real estate holdings in North and South Carolina. Since his father's death, in conjunction with his brother, Tench C. Coxe, he has discharged his important duties as trustee of the Franklin Coxe estate with ability.

Mr. Coxe's career has been marked by a conservative policy that has elicited the commendation of the many able business men with whom his important responsibilities have brought him in contact. He is vice-president of the Battery Park Bank of Asheville, a director in the Commercial National Bank of Charlotte, succeeding his father, Col. Franklin Coxe, in the latter position. He is president of the French Broad Granite Brick Company, founded in 1904, and is also president of the Woolsey Improvement Co.

Socially, Mr. Coxe has always taken a prominent part, especially in the club life of Asheville and Philadelphia. He was president of the Asheville Club for the year 1902, and is still a member of that organization and of the Swannanoa Country Club, the Philadelphia Club, the University Barge Club of Philadelphia, the Phil-

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adelphia Gun Club, the Philadelphia Country Club, the Riverton Gun Club of Philadelphia, the Markham Club, Philadelphia, and was for five years a member of the Rittenhouse Club of Philadelphia. The only secret society of which he is a member is his college fraternity, the Delta Phi.

He has made several tours abroad, visiting England, Scotland, Ireland, Germany and France.

Besides being an able business man and an accomplished gentleman, Mr. Coxe is a good sportsman and a skilled automobilist.

AUGUSTUS JULIAN LYMAN

Was born in Pittsburg, Pa., February 15, 1857. The youngest son of Rt. Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, who was for twenty years Bishop of the Ediscopal diocese of North Carolina and for four years in charge of the Episcopal churches on the Continent of Europe. Mr. Lyman was educated at Higate Public School, London, Eng., and graduated from Trinity College, Hartford, 1878, and Columbia University Law School in 1880, and admitted to the bar in Hartford county, Conn., in 1881. In 1882 he was married to Miss Julia Ellsworth, daughter of Dr. P. W. Ellsworth and the granddaughter of Gov Ellsworth and great granddaughter of Chief Justice Ellsworth and Noah Webster, Lexicographer. Besides being an able business man and a genial, popular gentleman, he is an accomplished linguist having resided in Europe for fifteen years perfecting himself in many languages, speaking and writing French, German and Italian fluently. For the past twenty years Mr. Lyman has been actively engaged in the real estate business in Asheville and vicinity in addition to the practice of his profession. He has a charming residence on the corner of Merrimon avenue and Chestnut street, which for many years has been the centre of social functions. He is the father of one child, a handsome boy, Ellsworth, now at the preparatory school of Asheville, whence he will go to Yale University from which a great many of his ancestors were graduated. Mr. Lyman is noted for his public-spirited co-operation for anything that tends towards the upbuilding of the community in which he has made his home, as well as for his many social accomplishments which have made him a personal favorite with a wide acquaintanceship.

HON. ALFRED MOORE WADDELL

Was born in Hillsboro, Orange county, N. C., September 16, 1834. He was educated in the school conducted by William Bingham, Sr., at Hillsboro, N. C., at Caldwell Institute and the University of North Carolina, from which he graduated in 1853. He purchased the Wilmington Herald in 1860 and edited that paper until 1861. In that year, although opposed to secession, he entered the Confederate army. He was for a time adjutant and later lieutenant colonel of the Third Cavalry, Forty-First North Carolina Regiment, and served with that command until 1864, when his health failed him and he was forced to resign. He returned to Wilmington at the close of the war, and entered into partnership with his father, the Hon. Hugh Waddell, in the practice of law.

In 1870, after a fierce campaign, he was elected to Congress by the Democrats over Oliver H. Dockery, the sitting member, and Republican candidate. He took his seat in 1871 and made his first speech in April, 1872, a manly and ringing defense of his people from the slanders at that time being poured upon them. He was then one of the minority of five of the committee of thirteen, known as the Ku Klux committee. The speech gained the attention of the House and the nation. In 1877 he was made chairman of the postoffice committee, a position he held until 1879, when he was re-nominated but defeated chiefly because his health prevented his making a personal canvass. In 1880 he was a candidate at large to the national convention that convened at Cincinnati, and nominated Hancock. He canvassed for the Hancock ticket in New England, New York and Pennsylvania. He took charge of the Charlotte Journal, afterwards the Journal-Observer, in 1882. Later he severed his connection with this paper and went to Wilmington, where he resumed his practice of the law. He took a notable part in the Wilmington "revolution" and has been several times mayor of Wilmington.

He is a genial, brilliant gentleman, ever ready to do his duty in all circumstances.

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THOMAS WALTON PATTON

Youngest son of James W. and Henrietta K. Patton, born May 8, 1841, in the Eagle Hotel, Asheville, N. C. (The exact spot of birth is now, 1906, covered by the Acme Saloon). Educated at school of Col. Stephen Lee, in Chunn's Cove, about one mile east of Asheville; (the exact spot and former residence of Col. Lee is now, 1905, occupied by Mrs. E. J. Armstrong). Among schoolmates the one most intimate and most affectionately remembered is the late Hon. Thomas D. Johnston.

The outbreak of the Civil war prevented Mr. Patton receiving any college education for which he had been prepared, expecting to obtain it at the University of his state.

About April 1, 1861, enlisted in the Buncombe Riflemen, of which the captain was the late beloved W. W. McDowell. This company became a part of the First (Bethel) N. C. Regiment; its term of service was six months and its chief distinction was its participation in the Battle of Bethel, on June 10, 1861, the first engagement of the Civil war. In 1862 was commissioned as first lieutenant of Co. C., 60 N. C. Regiment, of which company was promoted to captaincy in 1863, which position he continued to fill until the surrender of Johnston, at Greensboro, N. C., in April, 1865. The 60th regiment being a part of the Army of Tennessee, he participated in the many fights of that army, the most decisive and bloody of which was the Battle of Chickamauga, on September 20, 1863, and the last of which was the Battle of Bentonsville, April, 1865.

After the surrender he returned to his home in Asheville, and took up mercantile business, at the place now, 1906, occupied by the Asheville Hardware store, the style of the firm being Patton & Summey, and his partner, his beloved friend, is still living, A. T. Summey.

In 1879 he was appointed by the Governor of his state as a member of the tax commission which was provided for by the preceding General Assembly; the other members were Hon. John W. Graham and the late Judge George Howard. This commission worked earnestly in preparation of a new tax and assessment law for North Carolina which was reported with the governor's strong endorsement to the next session of the General Assembly, but by it was not approved.

In 1892 he, as a member of the North Carolina Teachers' excursion, visited Europe, and as correspondent of the Asheville Citizen, wrote full accounts of said excursion.

In May, 1893, was elected mayor of the city of Asheville, and continued in that position through two terms, until May, 1895, his successor being Hon. T. F. Davidson.

At the outbreak of the Spanish-American war he enlisted, March, 1898, as private in the Asheville Light Infantry, of which T. W. Bookhart was captain. With this company he went to Raleigh in April, 1898, and on the anniversary of his first muster-in, he again became a member of the First Regiment of North Carolina Inelapsed since his first membership in a regiment of the same title, the first, however, being in the Confederate service, and the last in the Federal service. Was appointed and commissioned by Gov. Russell as adjutant of the first battalion of the First North Carolina Regiment, and in this position served for one year, a considerable part of which was in Havana, Cuba, which city his regiment was the first American regiment to occupy.

Capt. Patton was one of the prime favorites of the officers and men of this regiment and will always hold a warm place in the hearts of the members of Company F, of Asheville, with whom he was especially popular.

Has been for many years, and is yet, a member of the Royal Arcanum and of the Knights of Honor; was intimately associated with the organization and establishment in Asheville of the Y. M. C. A., and was on its board of directors for several years.

His church relations have always been as a member of the Protestant Episcopal church, and his only and life-long parish has been Trinity church, Asheville; of this parish he has been senior warden for the past twenty years.

In 1863 he married Anna B. Pearson, of Alabama, and had two children, both of whom died in infancy. In 1871 he married Martha B. Turner, and they have two children.

For many years past he has been much interested in the charitable and penal institutions of his state and county. Served the State Board of Charities and Corrections as one of its committeemen for Buncombe

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county, from the organization of said Board until obliged by ill health to resign a year ago.

He was appointed by Gov. Aycock as member of the State Board of Examiners of Institutions, of which report written by Mr. Patton, received the full endorsement and approval of Gov. Aycock, but was not approved by the General Assembly.

CHARLES ALPHONSO SMITH

Charles Alphonso Smith, professor of the English language and Dean of the graduate department in the University of North Carolina, was born in Greensboro, N. C., May 28, 1864. He graduated from Davidson College, N. C., in 1884, secured his A. M. from the same institution in 1887 and Ph. D. (in English) from the Johns Hopkins University in 1893. In the latter university he was instructor in English from 1890 to 1893. From 1893 to 1902 he was professor of the English language and literature in the Louisiana State University, resigning that position to accept his present professorship at Chapel Hill. He has lectured widely in the North and in the South and is the author of many literary and philological articles published in the journals of this country and of Germany. For a sketch of his life and list of books that he has published, see "Who's Who in America" (Chicago), "Men of Mark in North Carolina," and "National American Biography" (Knickerbocker Publishing Co., N. Y.)

JOHN J. WOLFENDEN

Was born in Beaufort county, N. C., August 24, 1846. His father was John Wolfenden, a builder and contractor of Bertie county. His mother was Miss Anna Elizabeth Morgan, of Beaufort, N. C.

He was educated at Trinity School, Beaufort county.

He began business in 1868, in New Bern, as retail and wholesale dealer, under the style of J. J. Wolfenden & Co. In 1863, at the age of seventeen, he entered the Confederate army in 67th Regiment (under Colonel John N. Witford), afterwards transferred to the Sixty-Seventh Regiment, and was in the army until the end of the war with the exception of eleven months, during which period he was confined at Point Lookout, Maryland, as a prisoner of war. In 1876 he retired from the grocery business, and went into the real estate business, in which he has been exceptionally successful, operating in large tracts of timber and farm lands. He is now commander of New Bern Number 1162 U. C. Vs., and holds the rank of major on the staff of General Julian S. Carr. He was the first Democratic mayor New Bern had after the war between the states and was elected three consecutive times from 1874 to 1877. He has been a councilman several times and president of the Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Knights of Harmony.

He is a devout Methodist and is a steward and trustee of the Centenary Methodist church of New Bern.

He married Miss Caroline McLackland, a daughter of Alexander McLackland, and has two daughters, one of whom is Mrs. J. L. Hartsfield, of New Bern, and the other is Miss Mary Wolfenden, of New Bern.

HENRY T. PHILLIPS

Was born near Yadkin College in Davidson county, October 26, 1846. His father was J. S. Phillips, a farmer. His mother was Miss Margaret Walser, daughter of Henry Walser, a farmer who was a member of the Legislature, both in the House and Senate for many terms.

He was educated in private schools.

When 17 years of age he entered the junior reserves in the Confederate army from Davidson county, and became a member of Company C., First Regiment N. C. troops. After the war he taught school for eight years at Yadkin College. He next became postmaster at Lexington, a position he held under all Republican administrations up to 1882, although a Democrat. He was superintendent of public instruction of Davidson county from 1880 to 1883. For the two years previous to 1886 was a member of the board of education. In 1886 he was elected clerk of the Superior court, a position he has since held with the exception of one term of four years from 1894 to 1898, during the ascendancy of the fusionists.. He

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was president of the Bank of Lexington one year and one third owner. This was in 1889, at the end of that year he resigned and sold his interest. He owns a seven hundred acre farm near Lexington, and a veneering factory at Linwood, N. C.

He is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

He married Miss Linnie V. Robbins, daughter of Rev. Alexander Robbins, of Guilford county, and has three children, a daughter and two sons.

His daughter is now Mrs. Carl Owen, wife of a prominent lumber man of Yadkin College.

His eldest son, Henry Bayard Philips, who graduated with the degree of Ph. D. from John Hopkins University, Baltimore, at the age of 23, and is now professor of mathematics in the University of Cincinnati, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

His youngest son, Wade Hampton Phillips, is now practicing law in Lexington. He was named in honor of the famous South Carolina general of whom Mr. Phillips has always been a great admirer.

DR. JOHN A. POLLOCK.

Dr. John A. Pollock, of Kinston, N. C., is the second son of the late Dr. W. A. J. Pollock and Olive B. Humphrey. Dr. John received the advantages of a thorough classical education. His father was the proprietor of the drug store in the village for years and wishing his son to have every advantage, the father employed Brooks Tenney, of Chapel Hill, Taylor, of Brooklyn, and Sherwood Lee and other noted pharmacists, that under their instruction the young man might master drugs and pharmacy.

The war between the states soon came on and, forgetting all else save his country's call to her defense, he enlisted in the Confederate army, when only 17 years of age, and served in Virginia under the banners of the immortal Lee. He was at the battles of Kinston when the town was captured by the enemy and in the battle of New Bern and Goldsboro.

When the flag of the Confederacy was furled, he took his parole and went back to the drug business. After a few years he entered the medical department of the University of New York. On graduating, he returned to Kinston to cast his lot here among friends and kindred.

Dr. Pollock was married in 1867 to Miss Agnes P. Jones, a lady of wealth and culture, and one of the best families in Lenoir county. They have three children living, two daughters and a son, Dr. Raymond Pollock.

He is a man of wide culture and varied attainments. He has served as county medical examiner, and was at one time appointed lecturer on physiology and hygiene in the teachers' institute of this county. He served for years as chairman of the county board of health. He delivered a lecture on hygiene at Kinston College which attracted a good deal of favorable comment. He has been medical examiner for the county and town physician, having held every office as a physician in the county.

Dr. Pollock pays especial attention to the practice of medicine proper. He has devoted his whole life to his profession, loves his work and takes a just pride in his remarkable successes.

Dr. Pollock is about 59 years of age but is so well preserved that he bids fair to remain in the active practice for many years to come. He is a courtly and polished gentleman. He is dignity itself, but is easily approached and a most pleasant and entertaining conversationalist.

He has had much success as an instructor. All of the young men who have studied under his care and direction have taken high stands at college.

Dr. Pollock is a member of the Missionary Baptist church. He owns a good deal of real estate and he was elected senator in 1902, by a very large majority.

J. J. BAXTER.

Was born in Pamlico county, November 3, 1860. His father was James O. Baxter, a merchant and farmer of Stonewall, Pamlico county. J. J. Baxter was educated at the public schools of Pamlico county, and later took a course in Bryan and Stratton College, Baltimore, Md. He was a farmer until he reached his twenty-second year, when he became a merchant at Oriental, Pamlico county. He moved to New Bern and clerked for three years when he en-

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tered the dry goods and clothing business first with a partner, but in 1894 he started in business alone under the style of J. J. Baxter. He has been a county commissioner of Craven county for four years, and chairman of the board for two years. He is president of the Southern Jobbing Co., which he organized in 1902 with a capitalization of $5,000, to deal in wholesale dry goods and notions; the paid in capital of this concern is now about $12,000.

He is an Odd Fellow, a K. of P., an Elk and a Woodman of the World and a steward in the Methodist church.

He married Miss Mary G. Howard, of Hyde county, a daughter of Richard Howard, a farmer of Hyde county, and has two daughters.

THOMAS A. GREEN

President of the Citizens' Bank of New Bern, was born in New Bern, N. C., June 25, 1846, a son of Thomas and Annie M. (Curtis) Green, both of Craven county. His father was lost at sea in 1852, and was a sea captain and joint owner of the vessel he commanded, which was engaged in the West Indian trade.

Mr. Green was "bound out" at the age of 12 to learn the carpenter's trade, but on the 14th day of March, 1862, the city of New Bern was captured by General Burnside, and he was left a barefooted boy, desolate, without a cent to call his own. During the rest of the period of the war between the states he occupied himself at such odd jobs as chance threw in his way. In 1868, having saved his earnings, he engaged in the mercantile business with Capt. Gates, the firm name being Gates & Green, and in 1872 he purchased the entire business which he conducted successfully until 1865. In that year he became associated in the banking business under the style of Green, Foy & Co., in which he controlled a one-half interest. He was one of the prime movers in the establishment of the Cotton Exchange at New Bern, of which he has been treasurer for a number of years and has also served as president of the New Bern board of trade. He is the oldest living fireman in the city and has been chief of the department.

He was married in 1868 to Miss Harriet H. Meadows, a daughter of J. A. Meadows, of New Bern, and has been the father of six children, two of whom, Misses Maud Louisa and Clara Maria, survive.

He has been chairman of the board of stewards of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, for several years. Also prominent in Masonic order, being Worshipful Master of St. John's Lodge, No. 3, A. F. & A. M., of this city, and High Priest of the Chapter of R. A. Masons and has been a director of the Oxford Orphan Asylum for a good many years. He is also president of the board of trustees of the New Bern Academy; he is also superintendent of the Centenary M. E. Sunday school.

JULIAN MEREDITH BAKER, M. D.

Of Tarboro, N. C., was born in Tarboro, October 27, 1857, a son of Dr. J. H. Baker, who with his father before him was a physician in Tarboro, the present Dr. Baker being the third generation of physicians of that name to practice in Tarboro. Doctor Baker's mother was Miss Susan Foxhall, whose father was a planter of Edgecombe county, whose ancestors lived in that county for nearly two hundred and fifty years being intimately associated with its greatest events.

Dr. Baker was educated at Horner and Graves School and the University of North Carolina, from which he graduated in the class of 1877 with the degree of Bachelor of Science, and studied medicine in Bellevue Medical College, and the University of Maryland. He began practice at Tarboro in 1880. He is an ex-president of the North Carolina Medical Society and the State Board of Medical Examiners and ex-member of the State Board of Health. He is a member of the Edgecombe County Medical Society, the North Carolina Medical Society, the American Medical Association, the Seaboard Medical Association and the Tri-State Medical Society, and is surgeon in charge of the Pittman Hospital at Tarboro.

He is a Mason and a Knight Templar.

One June 17, 1884, he was married to Miss Elizabeth Howard, a daughter of Mr. George Howard, of Tar-

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boro, and is the father of three daughters.

He has contributed several notable articles to the medical journals of the nation on surgery and gynaecology, and was the author of the Pittman Prize Essay of the Medical Society of North Carolina for 1887.

He ranks among the leaders of his profession as a scientific practitioner and thoughtful student of medicine.

FRANCIS WADE HUGHES

Was born in New Bern, N. C., September 9, 1856. He is a son of Dr. Isaac W. Hughes, a physician who practiced in New Bern for fifty years and was a nephew of F. W. Hughes, who was a leading prosecuting attorney in the famous Molly McGuire trial, together with Franklin B. Gowan, of Philadelphia, and a descendant of John Hughes, the first stamp officer of the colonies appointed in 1765 through suggestion of Benj. Franklin, who was also a warm personal friend of Franklin's and was later in 1771, made collector of the port of Charleston, South Carolina.

Dr. Hughes graduated from Princeton University, N. J., in class of 1877, and from the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1880, since which date he has been in the active practice of medicine at New Bern. He is a member of the Craven County Medical Society and the North and is a Mason.

On October 16, 1883, he married Miss Caroline Ann Winder, a daughter of John C. Winder.

Dr. Hughes has given considerable attention and means to the improvement of New Bern. He served for eight or ten years on the finance committee of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad.

PATRICK HENRY WILLIAMS

Was born in Camden county, N. C., near Shiloh township, September 29, 1869. His father, Robert Williams, a farmer, and his mother was Miss Renda Torksey, a daughter of John Torksey, a farmer of Camden county.

He was educated at Randolph-Macon College from which he graduated in the class of 1896 and in the law department of the University of North Carolina, from which he graduated in 1898. He practiced law in Elizabeth City until 1902, when he entered the hosiery and cotton mill business as secretary of the Elizabeth City Hosiery Company, and was made president of the Elizabeth City Cotton Mill in 1904. He is a director in the First National Bank of Elizabeth City, the Savings Bank and Trust Co., the Crystal Ice and Coal Company of Elizabeth City, the Culpepper, Griffin, Olds and Grice Insurance Company (incorporated), and Aydlette Brothers & Co., wholesale grocers, of Elizabeth City, and the Atlantic Fire Insurance Company of Raleigh, N. C. He was an alderman of Elizabeth City for two years ending May, 1905.

He is an Odd Fellow and superintendent of the City Road Methodist Sunday school.

He has been twice married. First in 1890, he was wedded to Miss Minnie White, of Sampson county, who died in 1891 and the second time, in 1898, to Miss Ella Kramer, a daughter of D. S. Kramer (deceased), who was, during his lifetime, a lumber manufacturer of Elizabeth City. Mr. Williams is the father of three daughters.

HON. JOHN HUMPHREY SMALL

Is a son of J. H. Small, of Beaufort county. His mother was Miss Sallie A. Sanderson, of Plymouth, Washington county. He was born August 29, 1858, in Washington, N. C.; was educated in the schools of Washington, and at Trinity College, North Carolina; is a lawyer in active practice; left college in 1876 and taught school from 1876 to 1880; was licensed to practice law in January, 1881; was elected reading clerk of the state senate in 1881; was elected superintendent of public instruction of Beaufort county in the latter part of 1881; was elected and continued to serve as solicitor of the inferior court of Beaufort county from 1882 to 1885; was proprietor and editor of the Washington Gazette from 1883 to 1886; was attorney of the board of commissioners of Beaufort county from 1888 to 1896; was a member of

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the city council from May, 1887, to May, 1890, and for one year during that period was mayor of Washington; was chairman of the Democratic executive committee of the First Congressional district in 1888; was chairman of the Democratic executive committee of Beaufort county from 1889 to 1898; was the Democratic Presidential elector in the First Congressional district in 1896; has been for several years and is now chairman of the public school committee of Washington; was elected to the 56th, 57th and 58th Congresses, and re-elected, in November, 1904, to the 59th Congress.

On a day in June, 1890, he was married to Miss Isabella C. Wharton, a daughter of Colonel R. W. Wharton, an attorney and farmer of Washington, N. C.

He is also a director in the Bank of Washington and the Havens Oil Company.

HARVEY BERNARD CRAVEN

Was born in Trinity, N. C., February 28, 1876, a son of the late Dr. James L. Craven and a grandson of Dr. Braxton Craven, who was the founder and first president of Trinity College. His mother was, before her marriage, Miss Nannie Bulla, a daughter of Hon. J. R. Bulla, who was an attorney of High Point, and for several years a solicitor of the Superior court.

Mr. Craven was graduated from Trinity College, Durham, N. C., in the class of 1896, with the degree of A. B. After leaving college he first taught for two years at Belwood, Cleveland county, after which he became superintendent of the East Durham graded school, where he remained two years. He then became professor of physics and chemistry in the Greensboro Female College, where he remained four years. In October, 1904, he was made superintendent of the city schools of New Bern, a position he still holds and in which he has displayed marked ability.

He is a member of the Royal Arcanum, and of the "9019" fraternity of Trinity College, a Methodist and an active church worker.

He was married on August 6th, 1901, to Miss Alice Holman, of Durham, N. C., and they have one daughter, three years of age.

H. A. LONDON

Was born at Pittsboro, N. C., March 1, 1846, a son of Henry Adolphus London, a merchant who was for twenty years chairman of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Chatham county. His mother was Miss Sally Margaret Lord, a daughter of William C. Lord, a commission merchant of Wilmington, N. C.

He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and was reading clerk of the North Carolina Senate from 1870 to 1872; mayor of Pittsboro from 1876 to 1886; State Senator in Legislature of North Carolina from 1900 to 1904; president of the Senate in 1901; author of the "London Libel Law," and of "The London Bill" to establish prohibition in the state of North Carolina.

He married Miss Bettie Louise Jackson, a daughter of Joseph John Jackson, an attorney of Pittsboro. He is the father of seven children, four daughters and three sons. His sons are: Henry Mauger London, a lawyer; John Jackson London, passed midshipman, U. S. Navy; Isaac Spencer London, paymaster of Durham and South Carolina Railroad Co.

EDWARD PENNINGTON.

Clerk of the Superior court of Edgecombe county, N. C., was born in Wayne county, N. C., July 29, 1851. His father was James Pennington, a farmer of Wayne county. His mother was Miss Caroline McCullen, of Wayne county.

He left Wayne county when ten years of age and moved to Lenoir county and attended the public schools in Kinston. He moved to Edgecombe county in 1869 and for seventeen years was bookkeeper for B. J. Keech, of Tarboro, in the general merchandise business. In 1890 he was elected clerk of the Superior court, a position he has held through four elections, for sixteen years. Before being elected to his present position he was clerk and treasurer of Tarboro for several years. He was formerly a director of the Bank of Tarboro and president of the Edgecombe Homestead and Loan Association.

He is a member of the Odd Fellows, the Royal Arcanum and is ju-

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nior warden of Calvary Episcopal church of Tarboro.

On September 27th, 1876, he was married to Miss Grace E. Palamountain, a daughter of I. B. Palamountain, a gun smith, who moved to Tarboro from England about 1840. He is the father of five children, three daughters and two sons. Of his daughters, Miss Lena is now Mrs. J. F. Martin, of Tarboro, the wife of a son of Congressman Martin; Miss Carolisa is now Mrs. P. P. Mead, wife of a merchant of Kinston, N. C., and Miss Maggie is a pupil in the Tarboro High School.

Of his sons, George E. is in the insurance business and Joseph B. is in the general brokerage business. Both are prosperous business men.

HENRY MARCHAND SHAW.

Was born in Currituck county, N. C., November 8, 1866, a son of William B. Shaw, an attorney, who practiced in North Carolina for twenty-five years at Edenton and Henderson, N. C., but recently moved to Madison, Wis.

His grandfather, in whose memory he is named, was a native of Rhode Island who moved to North Carolina a good many years before the war and practiced medicine in Currituck county. Represented the First District in U. S. Congress for two terms and was colonel of the 8th N. C. troops in the Confederate army and was killed in battle of Bachelors Creek, near Newbern, early in the war.

Mr. Shaw's mother was Miss Jennie Ferebee, a daughter of Edwin Ferebee, one of the largest farmers and merchants in Eastern North Carolina and probably the largest slave holder in the First Congressional district of the state. In the succession of the eldest sons he is the eleventh descendant from John Shaw, who was baronetted by Charles II in 1665, and is both on his maternal and paternal sides a descendant of General Willoughby Douge, of the Continental army.

Mr. Shaw was prepared for college at Edenton Academy and took M. A. degree at Wake Forest, in class of 1889. He completed the law course at the University of Virginia in 1901, under Doctor Minor; secured his license in 1902, and located in Oxford, where he now enjoys a good general practice.

He married Miss Bessie Buxton, a daughter of Capt. S. N. Buxton, of Jackson, N. C., and has four children, two daughters and two sons.

He is an Odd Fellow and a member of the Grand Lodge. He is a Baptist, and has been clerk of the Oxford Baptist church for a number of years; also a member of the board of finance and of the choir.

His namesake, Col. Shaw, was a noted orator, and his father is known as a forcible campaign speaker and advocate, but his talents lie mostly in the line of the careful student and business attorney, having always remembered an admonition of Dr. Minor, his legal instructor, that success as a lawyer depends not on eloquence, but upon laws.

He is deeply interested in the business prosperity and growth of his town and county, and is closely identified with its manufacturing industries. He is a director and chairman of the executive committee of the First National Bank of Oxford.

JACOB CECIL HALES

Cashier of Branch Banking Company, Wilson, N. C., was born March 21, 1864, in Edgecombe county, N. C., a son of Joseph J. Hales, a miller and farmer of Edgecombe. His mother was Miss Lana Daniel, a daughter of Jacob Daniel, a farmer of Wilson county.

Mr. Hales was educated in the county schols and at Professor Sylvester Hassell's Collegiate Institute in Wilson. His first business was as a clerk and later as a bookkeeper in a general store, where he was employed several years. He then removed to Rocky Mount, N. C., where he remained for three years clerking for Messrs. Hines and Battle, who conducted a general store. He returned to Wilson in 1889 as cashier of Branch's Bank and has continued in this position until now.

He is a member of the North Carolina Bankers' Association, a Mason, a K. of P. and a vestryman of St. Timothy Episcopal church, Wilson, N. C.

On November 2, 1887, he was married to Miss Martha Stanton, a daughter of Colonel George W. Stanton,

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and has been the father of eight children, five daughters and three sons. One of his daughters died in 1901.

He is a director in the Hawlette-Grantham Harness Company, secretary and a director of the Wilson Hotel Company, president of the Wilson Light and Power Company, director in the Lucas Lumber Co., and the Pine Tops Banking Co., vice-president of the Spring Hope Banking Company and a director of the Toisnot Banking Co., and Bank of Kenly.

While of a conservative disposition he is regarded as one of Wilson's ablest business men.

BRUCE CRAVEN.

Was born in Trinity; son of the late James Lucius Craven, M. D., and Mrs. Nannie Bulla Craven; grandson of Rev. Braxton Craven, D. D., L.L. D. (founder and first president of Trinity College), and of Hon. James Ruffin Bulla, who was for many years one of North Carolina's most distinguished attorneys at law. Was educated in Trinity High School and Trinity College, and since leaving college in 1900 has been superintendent of the graded schools of Murphy and Clinton, and is now superintendent of the Morganton public schools, considered among the best in the State. He has achieved distinction as a clear and strong writer, is an excellent public speaker, a Methodist, and an ardent advocate of "Moral Thoughtfulness" in education. November 5, 1901, he was married to Miss Clara Chaffin (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Chaffin of Mocksville), who was his classmate in college.

WILLIAM T. OLD.

Cashier of the First National Bank of Elizabeth City, N. C., was born in Norfolk county, Va., February 24, 1871, a son of Rev. James Y. Old, a minister of the Methodist church. His mother was Miss Agenora Ives, a daughter of William W. Ives, a farmer of Norfolk county.

Mr. Old was educated in the common schools of Norfolk county and at the Norfolk Academy. His first business experience was bgun at the age of 17 years, when he secured a position as runner for the Norfolk National Bank, rising in three years to the position of remittance clerk in the correspondence department of that bank. He left the Norfolk National Bank in 1889, and for a year kept books for his father in the lumber business. In 1891 he was made teller of the First National Bank of Elizabeth City and in 1893 he was made cashier, a position he still holds. He is now president of the Savings Bank and Trust Company of Elizabeth City, N. C.,; the Citizens Bank of Edenton, N. C., and the Bank of Plymouth, N. C. He is also interested in and president of the insurance and real estate business of Culpepper, Griffin, Old & Grice Co., and vice-president of the Elizabeth City Hosiery Company; vice-president of the Elizabeth City Light and Power Co., and a director in several other corporations.

He is a well trained soldier, and was commander of the North Carolina Naval Brigade, but resigned April 18, 1903. Mr. Old is a Mason, an Elk, and a trustee in the First Methodist church. He was vice-president for North Carolina of the American Bankers' Association and is an enthusiastic member of the North Carolina Bankers' Association, and has held several offices in that body.

EDWIN FEREBEE AYDLETT.

Was born in the county of Camden, North Carolina, on the 14th day of May, 1857. His parents were Abner and Clotilda Aydlett. His father was at one time sheriff of Camden county and for years was chairman of the board of county commissioners. Besides being prominent in the political affairs of Camden county, he was one of its most successful merchants and important farmers.

Mr. Aydlett was educated in the Camden county schools and later completed his education at Wake Forest College. He studied law alone, obtaining law books through the kindness of a leading member of the bar of Elizabeth City, and was admitted January, 1881, to practice before the bar of North Carolina by the Supreme court, and began practice in Camden county, and while living

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there was made superintendent of education for that county.

Desiring a wider field he moved to Elizabeth City and became the law partner of C. W. Grandy. He was appointed official attorney of Elizabeth City and was made president of the Elizabeth City Improvement Company. He is a director in the Elizabeth City Cotton Mill and Elizabeth City Knitting Mill, and is vice-president and director of the Elizabeth City Savings and Trust Co.

He is a sincere, earnest worker in the Baptist church.

On the 19th day of December, 1883, he was married to Miss Ettie Hunter Briggs, daughter of Thomas H. Briggs, Sr., of Raleigh, and is the father of five children.

CLAUDIUS E. FOY.

Was born in Jones county, N. C., May 10, 1850. His father was Charles H. Foy, a prominent planter of that county, who was a colonel in the state militia and a leading member of the Whig party and a consistent member of Lee's Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was noted for his social qualities and his open-handed hospitality. His first marriage was to Miss Elizabeth A., daughter of Colonel John S. Smith of New Bern, October 13, 1840, who died without issue July 30, 1843. His second wife was Miss Elizabeth P., daughter of John Oliver, of Jones county, June 20, 1849, who was the mother of Claudius E. Foy. The father died August 20, 1856, while canvassing Jones county as a candidate for the state legislature. His wife, a devout member of Piney Grove Baptist church, of Jones county, died February 23, 1863. The Foys trace their ancestry back to John Foy, a French Huguenot, who with a number of others, came to this country from France in the early part of the seventeenth century and his son, James Foy, the great grandfather of C. E. Foy, fought in the Revolutionary war and was in the battles of Cowpens, King's Mountain, Guilford Court House and Moore's Creek Bridge, being wounded in the wrist during the last mentioned engagement.

Claudius E. Foy, at the close of the war between the states was barely fifteen years of age. The ravages of war had destroyed everything belonging to the Foy family except their lands in Jones county. At the age of 19, with assistance of his uncle, he embarked in the general mercantile business for himself. In 1873 he formed a partnership with Thomas Gates, in a general mercantile and cotton commission business under the style of Gates, Foy & Co., which continued with marked success until February 13, 1880, when Mr. Gates retired and Mr. Foy continued as C. E. Foy & Co., until January, 1885. On January 29, 1885, the banking house of Green, Foy & Co. was organized by Thomas A. Green, Claudius E. Foy, F. M. Simmons and Clement Manley. Messrs. Green and Foy purchased the entire interest soon after the organization of the concern. Mr. Foy was later made cashier of the Citizens' Bank of New Bern, a position he filled creditably for ten years when he retired and went into the manufacture of fertilizers under the name of the New Bern Cotton, Oil and Fertilizer Mills. He is now chairman of the board of county commissioners of Craven county, and has been a member of the state Democratic Executive committee; for over ten years has been a member of the board of aldermen of the city of New Bern and is now a trustee of the New Bern Academy. He is president of the Building and Loan Association of New Bern and a director in the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad, and of the Citizens' Bank of New Bern.

He is an elder in the Presbyterian church and clerk of the session. He still has large farm interests in Jones, his native county. He has always taken a deep interest in the development of Jones county and was the promoter of the first government appropriation of $7,000 in 1879, for the improvement of the Trent river, since which time several much larger appropriations have been made and the general scope of the improvements greatly extended. He organized the Trent River Transportation Company which ran a regular line of steamers for freight and passenger service on the Trent river and was president of the company for several years. He was the promoter and secured the original charter to build the Wilmington & New Bern railroad, and for several years a director in that road. He was one of the charter members of

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the New Bern board of trade and has been identified with almost every large undertaking for the advancement of his section for over forty years.

He was married July 6, 1871, to Miss Agnes C. Paton, a daughter of David Paton, of Edinburg, Scotland, an architect by profession, who came of a distinguished Scotch lineage, one of his grandmothers was Miss Eleanor Campbell, of Monzie Castle, a member of one of the oldest families in Scotland. David Paton, while in New York, on the eve of his departure for Scotland, was engaged by a committee from North Carolina to come to this state and draw plans for the state capitol, and it was during the construction of this capitol that he met and married Miss Annie B. Farrow, of Washington, N. C. He was the architect and builder of the State Capitol at Raleigh, which was built about 1832. He soon returned to Scotland, but after living there nine years, Mr. and Mrs. Paton took up their residence in Brooklyn, N. Y., where Mr. Paton became a professor in the American Architectural Institute at Brooklyn and professor in the Mechanical Institute of New York for more than thirty years.

Mr. and Mrs. Foy have had four children, Claudius B., David F., Agnes G., and Annie E.

STEPHEN PORTER GRAVES

Was born October 28, 1865, at Mt. Airy, N. C. His father, Judge Jesse Franklin Graves, a leading attorney, was completing his sixteenth year as judge of the Superior court when he died in November, 1894. He had also represented Surrey county in the Legislature of 1876, and married Miss Mary E. Porter, of Wythe county, Va., a daughter of Stephen Porter, a farmer of that county. Their son was named in his honor, Stephen Porter Graves, who received his early education at Bingham School and his later training at the University of North Carolina. He studied law at the University of North Carolina and was admitted to the bar at the February term of the Supreme Court in 1887. For several years he was chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of Surrey county, and was elected solicitor for the Eleventh District November, 1902. He is deeply interested in the financial and general advancement of his section and is one of the directors of the Bank of Mount Airy.

He is a Mason and a trustee of the Central Methodist church. He was for several years master of his local Masonic lodge and is a member of the Royal Arch Chapter and a Shriner, belonging to Oasis Temple, Charlotte, N. C.

He married Miss Kate Hollingsworth, a daughter of Dr. W. R. Hollingsworth, of Mount Airy, and is the father of three children, one daughter and two sons.

It may be mentioned in passing, that Jesse Franklin, the only Governor Surrey county ever produced, was his great grandfather.

JAMES A. BRYAN.

Was born September 13, 1839. His father was James W. Bryan, of New Bern, N. C., a leading attorney and member of the Legislature and of the constitutional convention of 1835.

Mr. Bryan graduated from Princeton College, N. J., in the class of 1860, and studied law in his father's office. In 1861 he joined the Confederate army as a private in the Nuse Cavalry company, which was organized in New Bern, and was appointed from that company by Governor Ellis as second lieutenant in Company G, Tenth Regiment of North Carolina state troops, and assigned to duty in the ordnance department of the state at New Bern. Just prior to the turning over of the state troops to the Confederacy, he was appointed a second lieutenant of artillery in the Confederate states army, and assigned to duty at New Bern as ordnance officer of the District of Pamlico. After the fall of New Bern he was assigned to duty as ordnance officer of Branch's Brigade which became a part of the army of Northern Virginia and was promoted to rank of first lieutenant for gallantry on the field, after the battles around Richmond, and later for the same cause, was promoted to the rank of captain of artillery. Just before the close of the war he resigned his command in the Confederate army and was appointed by Governor Vance major and quartermaster of the State of North Carolina, and at Greensboro all the supplies of

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Johnson's army were turned over to him. From the battles around Richmond to the Battle of Sharpsburg, he was acting aid on the field to General L. O. B. Branch. In the Sharpsburg fight General Branch was killed.

After being paroled at Greensboro the war ended, Mr. Bryan returned to New Bern and engaged in the lumber business near that place as he owned several saw mills about twelve miles from the city. He was made president of the Atlantic, and North Carolina railroad when that road was in extremely bad condition, and increased its earning capacity by his careful and judicious management, rehabilitating it to such an extent that it became paying property, and was leased. For many years he has been president of the National Bank of New Bern, a position he still holds. For twenty years he served as chairman of the board of county commissioners of Craven county, and represented the Eighth District in the State Senate for the term beginning in 1891. He is one of New Bern's most dependable, honored citizens.

HALLET S. WARD

Was born in Gates county, North Carolina, on the 31st day of August, 1870, the seventh child of a family of fourteen children; missed his title to a birth-right according to the Jewish dispensation by reason of his having two sisters older than himself, which prevented his being the seventh son; was limited in his preparation for the duties of life, which he has assumed, to the very strait and difficult surroundings of a limited country life, in that period when the public schools were less efficient than now, and by very limited means His first and only scholastic training, outside of the public schools, was with Captain Julien Picot, at Como, Hertford county. Went to the University in 1893 and read law with Dr. Manning and Judge Shepherd in the summer session and obtained license at the following court, having studied with Mr. George Cowper at Winton prior to that time. On being admitted to the bar or soon thereafter, located at Plymouth, North Carolina, where he married three years thereafter Miss Aileen Latham. Was elected to the State Senate from the Second District in 1898 and re-elected in 1900. Was appointed Solicitor of the First Judicial District by Gov. Aycock and afterwards elected to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of George W. Ward, who was made Judge.

Afterwards moved to Washington, North Carolina, where he has since practiced law and discharged the duties of his office as Solicitor. Is now associated in the practice of law with Mr. Junius D. Grimes, the son of General Bryan Grimes and brother of J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State.

E. A. DANIEL, JR.

Was born in Halifax county, N. C., January 24, 1881. At the age of thirteen he was sent to Ridgeway High School. Two years later, when the Ridgeway High School was burned, Prof. John Graham, the principal, moved his school to Warrenton, N. C., where E. A. Daniel, Jr., completed his academic course. In the fall of 1901 he was admitted to the freshman class at the University of North Carolina, and graduated with the class of '04.

During his literary course at the University, he pursued certain studies leading to the study of law. After his graduation in 1904, he read law at Chapel Hill during the following summer, and obtained license to practice law in North Carolina on August 29th of the same year. On the 6th day of the following October, he formed a copartnership with B. B. Nicholson, of Washington, N. C., and since that time has been engaged in the practice of his profession at Washington under the law firm of Nicholson & Daniel.

JUNIUS DANIEL GRIMES

Was born at Grimesland, Pitt county, North Carolina, on the 31st day of October, 1878, being the seventh child and fourth son of Bryan Grimes and Charlotte E. Grimes. He received his elementary education at the Trinity School, Chocowinity, N. C., and from there went to the Raleigh Male Academy, Raleigh, N. C., conducted by Messrs. Morson & Denson. From there he went to the University

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of North Carolina in the fall of 1895 and was graduated from that institution in June 1899 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Then he went to Washington City with Hon. John H. Small, member of Congress from the First District in the capacity of private Secretary. Afterwards he was employed in the census office at Washington, D. C., and while so employed studied law and was graduated from Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., in June, 1902, with the degree of L.L.B.

He was licensed to practice law by the Supreme Court of North Carolina, at the August term, 1902.

On Sept. 27th, 1904, he was married to Ida Catharine Wharton, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wharton of Clemmonsville, N. C. Since that time he has been engaged in the practice of the law at Washington, Beaufort county, and is now associated with Hon. H. S. Ward, Solicitor for the First Judicial District under the firm name of Ward & Grimes.

THOMAS CHRISTIAN WOOTEN

Was born March 19, 1861, at Elm Grove, Lenoir county. His father was John Franklin Wooten, an attorney and farmer who served as clerk of the county court, and as clerk and master of Lenoir county for a number of years, and was a Tilden elector, and a director on the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad.

Mr. Wooten's mother was Miss Mary Christian, a daughter of James Christian. She was born at Charlottesville, Va., and her father had farms in King and Queen counties, on the York river.

Mr. Wooten was educated in Kinston and at the University of North Carolina. He attended the University two years and graduated in law in 1882. He first practiced at Snow Hill, in Green county, North Carolina, where he remained nine years. He removed to Kinston in 1895, and formed a partnership with H. E. Shaw, the style of this law firm was Wooten & Shaw. He is now practicing with his nephew, E. R. Wooten, under the style of Wooten & Wooten. He was one of the Bryan electors and got the largest vote in the state of any elector in Bryan's second candidacy for president. He was chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of Green county for six years, and has been active on the stump since his twenty-first year.

He is a Mason, a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., the Methodist church and the Commercial Club.

He married Miss Julia Holderness Dickson, a daughter of William Holderness, of Caswell county, and has one daughter.

Beside attending to the exacting details of a large law practice, he is interested in the commercial life of his section, and is president of the Warsaw Lumber Company, and is a director in the Dover South Bound Railroad, a new line now under construction.

ROBERT STUART PRIMROSE, M. D.

Was born in New Bern, November 15, 1866, a son of Dr. Robert Stuart Primrose, who practiced in New Bern for twenty-two years, after graduating from Jefferson Medical College and the University of Medicine of Paris, France.

Dr. Primrose's mother was Miss Sarah S. Atmore, a daughter of George S. Atmore, a prominent attorney of New Bern.

Doctor Primrose received his education at Bingham's Military School, and graduated from the medical department of the University of Virginia in the class of 1888 and from Bellevue Hospital Medical College in 1889. During 1889 he was an Intern at Bellevue Hospital. He was licensed to practice in 1890 and won the Appleton prize for the best examination of the applicants before the board of state medical examiners that year. Te began practice alone in 1890 at New Bern, and has continued there to the present date. He is a member of the North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners for trained nurses, in anatomy, and physiology; the Craven County Medical Society, the North Carolina Medical Society and the American Medical Society. He is a Mason, Royal Arch, Knight Templar and member of the Mystic Shrine, an Elk and Odd Fellow and a member of the Episcopal church.

He was married in November, 1889, at Hamond, New York, to Mrs. Helen S. Washburn, a daughter of H. A.

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THOMAS CHRISTIAN WOOTEN

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Morse, of Hamond, N. Y, a mill owner and lineal descendant of Samuel F. B. Morse, the inventor of the telegraph. He is acting assistant surgeon of the U. S. Public Health and Marine Hospital Service, chief surgeon of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Co., and visiting surgeon of the Stewart Hospital of New Bern.

JACK ROBERT ROUNTREE

Was born in Brooklyn, New York, March 30, 1880, and has a twin brother now living in Arizona. He is a son of Albert L. Rountree, of Wilson, N. C., a cotton merchant and member of the New York Cotton Exchange. His mother was Miss Alice Rountree, a daughter of Robert H. Rountree, of Kinston, and a sister of George Rountree, of Wilmington, N. C. Her father was also a member of the New York Cotton Exchange, a member of the firm of Rountree & Company.

He was educated at the University of North Carolina, where he took the academic instruction for three years and where he studied law, obtaining his license August, 1903. He first practiced in Orange county for one year, but from 1904 he has been in Kinston. He was a member of the firm of Rountree & Stern up to August, 1905, when his partner, Mr. D. P. Stern, moved to Greensboro, when Mr. Rountree formed a partnership with Mr. H. E. Shaw, the style being Shaw & Rountree. He is one of the youngest members of the Mystic Shrine Masons in North Carolina, a member of the Elks, the K. of P., the Disciples church and the Sigma M. fraternity.

He was married April 26, 1905, to Miss Clara Wooten, a daughter of J. C. Wooten, deceased, formerly sheriff of Lenoir county.

The firm has a large and steadily increasing general practice.

DAVID THOMAS TAYLOE

Was born in Granville county, North Carolina, February 22, 1864. His father was Dr. David Thomas Tayloe, a physician of Beaufort county, and at one time mayor of Washington, N. C., and who held many offices of public trust. Doctor Tayloe's mother was Miss Mary Grist, a daughter of James R. Grist, a prominent farmer.

He was educated in the Washington Academy at Washington, N. C. He later studied medicine at Bellevue Medical College from which he graduated March 11, 1885, and took a post graduate course in surgery. He began practice in 1885 at Washington, N. C., and in 1892 took his brother, Dr. Joshua Tayloe into partnership with him. He is an ex-president of the North Carolina Medical Society; ex-president of the State Board of Medical Examiners and is the surgeon in charge of the Washington Hospital and ex-president of the Eastern Life Insurance Company, now located in Charlotte, N. C.

He is a Royal Arch Mason, an Elk, a Heptasoph, a K. of P., a member of the Royal Arcanum and the Episcopal church.

On December 27, 1893, he married Miss Athalia C. Cotton, a daughter of John W. Cotton, of Tarboro, ex-brigadier general of the state guards, and has five children, two daughters and three sons.

He has been an able contributor to the medical literature of the state, and in his annual address to the North Carolina Medical Society in 1905, he took for his subject, "The Growing Need of Hospitals and Isolation Hospitals," which has caused several new hospitals to be erected throughout the state, and has suggested the need of others.

WILLIAM J. BYERLY

Was born March 5th, 1874, in Davidson county. His father was John F. Byerly, a farmer of Davidson county, and his mother was Miss Elizabeth Hartley, a daughter of T. W. Hartley, a farmer and tobacco manufacturer, who also operated large flouring mill and was a county commissioner in Davidson county.

He was educated in Yadkin College, Davidson county, from which he graduated in class of 1890. After leaving college he clerked in the Bank of Lexington for two years and then organized the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Louisburg, and remained there ten years as cashier. He then

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organized the Bank of Taylorsville, of which he is now Vice-President. He is a director in the Bank of Davie at Mocksville, Vice-President of the Bank of French Broad, at Marshall, N. C., and Vice-President of the Bank of Stokes County, which has offices at Danbury and Walnut Cove, and is Vice-President of the Bank of Yadkinville. In 1905 he organized the Bank of Mount Airy, of which he is now cashier.

He is a member of the Methodist church. He married Miss Mary Roberts Leonard, a daughter of W. C. B. Leonard, a retired merchant of Lexington, N. C.

CLYDE EBY

Was born in Lancaster county, Pa., April 11, 1879. His father was Milton Eby, a livestock dealer of Lancaster county. His mother was Miss Alice Eckman, of Lancaster county.

He was educated at Millersville State Normal School of Millersville, Pa., and later took a course in Pierce's Business College, Philadelphia. He graduated from the Normal School in 1896 and from the business college in 1897. His first business occupation was as bookkeeper for a wholesale and retail lumber firm in Philadelphia with whom he remained until 1900, when he removed to New Bern, and became treasurer and general manager for the Elm City Lumber Company, manufacturers and wholesale lumber dealers who conduct a business of about one million dollars per annum in North Carolina pine.

He is an Elk.

In 1904 he was married to Miss Brownie Hanks, a daughter of Horatio Hanks, of New Bern, N. C., and is the father of one son.

BEVERLY GILLIAM MOSS

Was born in Chesterfield county, Virginia, January 19, 1875. His father was Beverly Turpin Moss, who was engaged in the manufacture of lumber and lumber dealing. His mother was Miss Elizabeth Morgan, daughter of William Morgan, a farmer.

He was educated in the common schools of Washington, N. C. His first business experience was as superintendent of the E. M. Short Saw Mill at Washington, from the time he was seventeen years of age until his twentieth year, when in 1895, he started in the planing mill business under the style of Moss & Doughty, which association lasted twelve months, when the style of the concern became the Moss Planing Mill. In 1897 he became the sole owner of the plant by purchasing the interest of C. S. Doughty, and has conducted the business alone since that date. The capital represented is about $17,000, and the daily capacity of the plant about thirty thousand feet.

He is president of the Savings and Trust Company of Washington, a director in and one of the executive committee of three of the Mutual Machine Companies of Washington; vice-president of the Herne Building and Loan Association, of Washington; president of the North Carolina Artificial Stone and Tile Company of Raleigh; vice-president of the Moss Lumber Co., of Blount's Creek, Beaufort county, a member of the city council of Washington and treasurer of the chamber of commerce.

He is a K. of P., a Knight Templar, Mason and a member of the Heptasophs, and a deacon in the Presbyterian church.

He is a member of the North Carolina Bankers' Association and the American Bankers' Association. He is one of Washington's most valued citizens and ablest business men. The notable feature of his success is that it is due mainly to his own personality, energy and ability.

HON. B. B. NICHOLSON

Was born in Warren county, but at an early age moved to Washington, Beaufort county, where he is now a leading attorney. His father is B. B. Nicholson of Halifax, and his mother was Miss Lucy E. Thorne, of Halifax.

He received his legal education at the University of Virginia and for some time taught law at Trinity College, where he was highly esteemed by the faculty as well as by the students; and is now a member of the board of trustees. He represented Beaufort county, in the state legislature in 1898, winning his seat after a

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brilliant campaign against a fusionist opponent. He made a good record in the session of 1899 and was again chosen to represent his county in 1901. He is credited with having drafted and passed the best oyster legislation ever placed on the statute books of North Carolina.

He takes high rank in his profession and has been connected with many important cases. He is noted as a lucid reasoner and eloquent orator.

PROF. HARRY HOWELL.

Was born in Goldsboro, N. C., August 3, 1875. His father was Robert P. Howell, cashier of the Branch of the Bank of New Haven of Wilmington, now the Bank of Wayne, and a captain and quartermaster in the Confederate army. His mother was Miss Ella Dougles, a daughter of Rev. J. E. Douglas, a Methodist minister, latterly of the Mississippi conference, and president of the Female College of Holly Springs, Miss., who is a native of Person county, N. C.

Professor Howell was educated in the public schools of Goldsboro, and at the University of North Carolina, where he graduated in the class of 1895, and went in that year to Washington, N. C., where he took charge of the graded school, which at that time was only a semi-public institution. For four months of the year, or while the public funds lasted, tuition was free and for five months it was a pay school. In 1897, by act of the legislature, a local tax was authorized, but for two years an opponent of the measure enjoined the collection of the tax, and for those two years the schools were conducted on public subscriptions. In 1899 another election was held and the local tax for schools was carried without trouble and since then the schools have been free. This desirable result has been due largely to the untiring efforts of Professor Howell and his friends. In 1902 the school tax was increased by another election, and bonds voted for a school building, the amount of the bonds being found insufficient, another election was held on the bond issue to supplement the original issue, and carried successfully. The gratifying result is the erection of perhaps the largest graded school building in the state which will be equipped with all the modern conveniences, lighted by electricity and gas, heated by hot air system, and with a telephone in each room, it compares favorably with many of the metropolitan structures, and will accommodate about 750 pupils. Prof. Howell has been energetic and enthusiastic in all of the movements for the perfection of the school system, and is genuinely exultant at the happy results obtained.

He is a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., the Zeta Psi Fraternity, the Order of the Gimghouls, and the Philanthropic Society and the Methodist church.

He was married in 1903 to Miss Addie Lee Short, a daughter of E. M. Short, founder of the E. M. Short Lumber Company, of Washington, and is the father of one son.

WILLIAM A. LUCAS.

Attorney of Wilson, North Carolina, was born on February 1, 1887, at Lucama, Wilson county, N. C. His father is LaFayette F. Lucas, a large farmer and a member of the board of county commissioners of Wilson county. His mother was Miss Leora Barnes, a daughter of Ruffin Barnes, a captain in the Confederate army, who was killed in battle near Smithfield, Va.

Mr. Lucas was educated at Trinity College and the University of North Carolina. He was admitted to the bar in August, 1903, and began the practice of law at Wilson, N. C., in 1904. He has already won an enviable reputation in his profession and is now county attorney for Wilson county, and is discharging the duties of his position with much ability.

He is an Elk, a K. of P. and a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., and the Methodist church. He takes an active interest in the Democratic party, taking part in its county and state convention. Professionally he is an able practitioner.

FRANK CANNON KUGLER

Was born in Woodbury, New Jersey, November 19, 1872. His father was George W. Kugler, a lumber manufacturer and his mother was Mariah J. Bennett, a daughter of

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Abram Bennett, a miller and farmer, who resided at French Town, New Jersey.

He was educated in the Woodbury public schools and also in a private school at Bridgeton, N. J., conducted by Professor A. K. Trosk.

After a brief stay in the wholesale department of his father's business in Philadelphia, he moved to Washington, North Carolina, in July, 1890, and three months after his arrival upon his father's death, became president and general manager of the Kugler Lumber Company of Washington, with paid in capital of $25,000 authorized capital $75,000, manufacturing North Carolina pine lumber and owning its own standing timber. He is also president of the Southern Furniture Company, and director in the First National Bank of Washington. He is a Mason an Odd Fellow, a Redman, a K. of P., and a deacon and treasurer of the Presbyterian church.

On February 16, 1904, he was married to Miss Charlotte Brown, a daughter of C. M. Brown, vice-president of the First National Bank of Washington.

Mr. Kugler has contributed several interesting articles to the leading lumber journals on lumber manufacture and the lumber industry generally.

FRANK T. PATTERSON

Mayor of New Bern, N. C., was born at Kinston, N. C., August 31, 1856. His father was Moses Patterson, a merchant who moved to New Bern during the early part of the war and went into the merchandise business there. His mother was Miss Mary Ann Loftin, daughter of John Loftin, a farmer, living seven miles from Kinston.

He was educated in Brooklyn, N. Y., at Professor Davidson's school, and in Eastman Business College at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. After returning home he went into the mercantile business under the style of F. T. Patterson. Later he went into the commission business, in which he continued for several years and then entered the insurance business in which he is still successfully engaged. He has been chairman of the Democratic executive committee of Craven county for several years, and is now serving his third term as mayor of New Bern. Under his administration the water works and sewerage system were put in, and the electric light plant purchased. The water department has doubled the number of consumers, the number of incandescents has increased from 35 to 70 lights. He is now agitating the macadamizing of the streets.

He has been a member of the Knights of Pythias for 22 years.

In 1871 he married Carrie D. Flamer, a daughter of the late John D. Flamer, a commission merchant.

DR. JOHN G. HUNT.

Was born in Oxford, N. C., January 5, 1861. His father was R. L. Hunt, who was for 45 years a leading merchant of Oxford, whose father, John Penn Hunt, was a descendant of the Penn family, one of whom was a signer of the Declaration of Independence.

Doctor Hunt's mother was Miss Caroline N. White, a daughter of John White, a farmer and slave owner. Doctor Hunt was educated at Horner's school and the University of North Carolina. He studied medicine at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., graduating from the medical department of that institution in class of 1881. After completing his education he went into the tobacco business and in 1898 was elected clerk of the court of Granville county. He is now vice-president of the Oxford Savings Bank, a director of the Bank of Granville, president of the Bank of Stovall, N. C., and a director of the State Hospital for the Insane.

He is a Mason, an Odd Fellow, a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., Woodmen of the World and Royal Arcanum.

He married Miss Rena Bobbitt, a daughter of R. L. Bobbitt, of Granville county.

ROSCOE WILLIAM TURNER

Attorney of Elizabeth City, North Carolina, was born in Hertford, N. C., September 16, 1876. His father was John Wesley, a druggist of Hertford, and his mother was Miss Lucy Williams, a native of Pasquotank county.

Mr. Turner was educated at the

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Collegiate Institute in Elizabeth City, and studied law at Wake Forest College. He began the practice of his profession at Elizabeth City several years ago, and has built up a large and lucrative practice. He delivered the memorial address before the Berkeley, Va., Lodge of Elks December 1, 1904, and won high praise for the thought and eloquence exhibited in that effort. By special request he delivered the memorial address before the Elizabeth City Lodge of Elks December 1, 1905, and pleased his hearers by the grace and feeling as well as the depth of thought revealed in the eloquent passages of his address.

He has held the office of leading knight in the Elizabeth City Lodge of Elks and is a steward in the Methodist church.

During November, 1900, he married Miss Alvina Covert, daughter of Capt. Henry Covert, of Elizabeth City, a retired sea captain, and is the father of three children, a daughter and two sons.

JESSE HILLIARD PRATHER

Of Mount Airy, was born July 13, 1853. His father was T. F. Prather, a merchant, and his mother was Miss Charity Briggs, a daughter of Thomas J. Briggs, a Methodist minister.

Mr. Prather was educated in Mount Airy common schools. His first business was as a partner of his father's under the firm name of T. F. Prather & Sons. He later went into the manufacture of tobacco under the style of Prather & Whitlock Tobacco Company, J. H. Prather, president, at Mount Airy, and is still in that business. He is also president of the National Furniture Company of Mount Airy, and the Bank of Mount Airy and the Bank of Stokes, of Stokes county. He resigned the presidency of the Surry Loan and Trust Co., but is still a director of that institution. He is a director and stockholder in the Oakdale Cemetery, and has been a town commissioner of Mount Airy for ten years. He has been chairman of the board of stewards of the Methodist church for the past twenty years.

He married Miss Lillie E. Estes, of Danbury, N. C., daughter of W. A. Estes, a merchant and former sheriff of Stokes county, and is the father of four children, two daughters and two sons.

GEORGE T. LEACH.

Was born August 12, 1858, at Herrick Centre of Susquehanna county, Pa. His father was Robert T. Leach, a railroad contractor and builder. His mother was Christine Tucker, a daughter of Sabin Tucker, a farmer of Thompson, Pa.

He was educated at Waters Academy, Mount Pleasant, Pa., and later took a business course at Binghampton Business College, Binghampton, N. Y. His first business experience was with Alden & Patterson, tanners and lumbermen, at Harrick Centre, Pa., in their store, measuring logs and bark, and looking after timber.

R. P. Patterson was the general manager of the firm and Mr. Leach worked directly under him both in the business in Pennsylvania and in North Carolina, getting the educational benefit of Mr. Patterson's wide experience and knowledge during a period of about twelve years. The capital that was represented in Pennsylvania was varied somewhat in North Carolina. Mr. Leach left that business in 1903, and organized the Eureka Lumber Co., with a paid in capital of $46,000. This company owns large tracts of standing timber, manufactures lumber and sells it in a wholesale way. The average output of the concern amounts to fifteen million feet per annum. Mr. Leach was a township commissioner of Susquehanna county, Pa., before he was 21 years of age.

He is a Mason, a K. of P., a Redman, an Elk and a member of the Presbyterian church.

In 1899 he married Miss Julia Cox, daughter of a physician of Fremont North Carolina, and is the father of four children, two daughters and two sons.

Beside being president and general manager of the Eureka Lumber Company, he is president of the Washington and Vandemere Railroad, now under construction, between Washington and Vandemere, a distance of forty miles, president of the Jas. H. Harris Plumbing and Supply Company; president and treasurer of the Leach Towing Company; president of the Banner Lumber Co., at Bayboro, N. C.; general manager of the Washington Light and Water Company, of which he was one of the organizers and was constructed under his direction. The equipment includes an electric light and gas plant of the latest design plate process, and a wa-

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ter plant that supplies excellent water in a volume sufficient to supply a town three times the size of Washington from artesian deep weils.

Mr. Leach is a fine type of the modern American business man. He has had his own way to win in this world and has won it from the start by his own energy and ability, earning every cent of the money paid for his early education and business course. The results he has achieved will be gratifying and inspiring to all who read this sketch as showing the possibilities that await an able young man in this country.

THOMAS D. MEARS

Was born in Raleigh, July 19, 1848. A son of Thomas D. Mears, an attorney and rice planter in Brunswick county, and a member of the secession convention. His mother was Miss Jane Iredell, a daughter of Governor James Iredell. He was educated in Wilmington schools and at Chapel Hill, and also studied law, but as he had to wait two years to get his license, he decided to go to work.

HENRY CLAY McQUEEN

Was born in Lumberton, Robinson county, N. C., July 16, 1846. His father was Dr. Edward McQueen and his mother Miss Susan Moore, a daughter of Charles Moore, of Robinson county. Educated at Bingham school at the Oaks, near Mebane. Was in Confederate army : 1st North Carolina Battalion Heavy Artillery and was wounded, and captured at Fort Fisher under General Terry and was put in prison January 15, 1865. After the war he engaged in the mercantile business in Wilmington and was connected with the firm of Merchinson & Company as clerk eight or ten years, and was taken in as partner in 1882. When the Merchinson National Bank was organized in 1899, he was made president.

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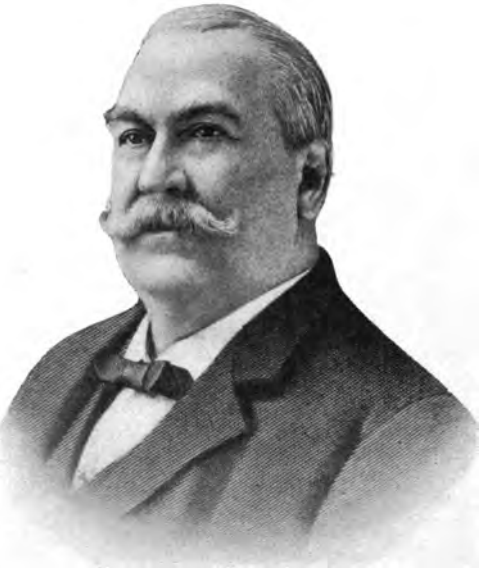

Yours truly
A. B. Andrews

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