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* In place of Clark W. Reynolds of Griswold, unseated. † Died February 21, 1885.

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Hon. O. Vincent Coffin
Governor

Hon. O. Vincent Coffin, of Middle-
town, Governor of the State of Connecticut, was born at Mansfield, Duchess County, New York, June 30, 1836, and is a lineal de-
scendant in the seventh generation of Tristam Coffin, who came from England about 1642, and was afterward Governor of Nantucket and Tuckermucket. He was educated in Cortland Academy and the Charlottesville Seminary, New York. The

son of a farmer, he passed his boyhood in farm work. He taught school when 16 and was salesman for a wholesale mercantile concern in New York when 17. From 19 to 25 he was the New York representative of a prominent firm of Connecticut manufacturers and subsequently became a special partner in suc-

cessful business enterprises in New York.

In 1859 he married the daughter of the
late Linus Cole, of Middletown, and went to that city to reside in 1864. Although excluded by the authorities from military service in the war of 1861–5, he chose to render what service he could in furnishing a substitute and in other ways. He was a member of the New York Committee of the United States Christian Commission and president of the Brooklyn, N. Y., Young Men's Christian Association during a considerable portion of the years in which those organizations were most prominent in field hospital work for the army of the Union.

After settling in Middletown Mr. Coffin became the active executive officer of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Savings Bank and held that position fourteen years, until 1878, when ill-health obliged him to retire from active work. Six years later, his health being restored, he became president of the Middlesex Fire Assurance Company, a position he now holds. He was president of the Middlesex County Agricultural Society in 1875, has been Mayor of Middletown for two years, director and vice-president of the First National Bank, director, secretary and treasurer of the railroad company, was president four years of the Middletown Young Men's Christian Association, and has held over a score of other positions of a more or less public character.

Mr. Coffin has never been a seeker for positions. He became a candidate for Senator in the district which had given a Republican majority for Senator only twice in about thirty years and was twice elected. His phenomenal plurality of over 17,000 for Governor marks the high-water achievement of the Republicans of the State.
Hon. LORRIN A. COOKE
LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

Hon. LORRIN A. COOKE, of Barkhamsted, Lieutenant-Governor of Connecticut, was born in New Marlboro, Mass., April 6, 1831, a descendant of one of the first settlers. His great-grandfather was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. He moved when a boy with his father to Norfolk, Conn., where he received an academical education. He taught school and then settled down on a farm. In 1856 he was chosen a Representative from Colebrook, then being identified with the Republican party. He filled many town offices. In 1869 he became manager of the Eagle Scythe Company, of Riverton. In 1881 he was chosen Senator from the Eighteenth District. For some time he was Postmaster. In 1882 he was reelected to the Senate, and was for three years Chairman of the Committee on Education. He was also frequently presiding officer as president pro tem. of the Senate, in which capacity he discharged his duties accurately and with impartiality. During the session of 1884 he was also Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, a position attracting no attention, but involving a good deal of time and hard work and qualifications of a high order. He was appointed, on the part of the Senate, a special committee to investigate certain matters in connection with the Storrs Agricultural School, at Mansfield. He now is one of the trustees of the Girls' Industrial School at Middletown. In 1886 he was moderator of the Congregational National Council at Chicago.

In the fall of 1886 he was chosen Lieutenant-Governor on the ticket with Hon. Henry B. Harrison, of New Haven. In 1892 he was a delegate from the Fourth District to the National Republican convention, held at Minneapolis. His nomination, by acclamation, and election, in 1894, were graceful tributes to his efficiency and popularity.
Hon. William C. Mowry, Secretary of State of Connecticut, belongs to Norwich, where he was born June 26, 1850. His elementary education was received at the public schools of his native city. Graduating at the Norwich Free Academy, he prepared for a course of instruction in the Sheffield Scientific School, but was prevented from entering that institution by a trouble of his eyes, which threatened permanent loss of sight. Afterward, recovering the use of them, he entered the works of the Mowry Axle and Machine Company for the purpose of obtaining a practical knowledge of the business.

Remaining in the mechanical department two years, he was promoted to the business department of the same company, which place he retained until 1876. About this time a new enterprise was organized in Norwich for the manufacture of the Page steam heater, for furnishing artificial heat to residences and public buildings. Col. Mowry became interested in this, and, having dissolved his former business connections, entered actively into the new enterprise, becoming treasurer and manager of the Page Steam Heating Company.

Colonel Mowry was an aide on Governor Harrison's staff in 1886 and was a prominent member of the House in 1889, where he served as Chairman of Committee on Corporations. In 1893 he was again in the House, where, among other important duties, he was assigned on the Committee on State Prison Investigation. He lent much strength to the State ticket in 1894.
George W. Hodge, of Windsor, State Treasurer of Connecticut, has been identified with the business interests of his town and section for years. He was born in Seymour, July 5, 1845. He studied in the Connecticut Literary Institution at Suffield, and then learned to manufacture paper in his father's mills at Rainbow, Windsor, whither the family had removed in 1853. In 1866 he went into partnership with his father, and remained in the concern until he sold out in 1874; 1876 he bought an interest in the press paper manufactory of House & Co., and by successive purchases, he has since become the owner of the whole business, though the old name stands. Mr. Hodge has been active in local politics for years and he has held all the offices in the gift of his town, was Postmaster at Rainbow five years and was on the Republican Town Committee eight years. He was a member of the House in the year 1881, and a Senator from the Third District in 1889.
Hon. Benjamin P. Mead, of New Canaan, Comptroller of Connecticut, was born in Bridgeport, September 20, 1847, and after an education in the academy went into business. He was drawn aside into politics and, while still retaining his interests as a merchant, moving to New Canaan was elected Town Clerk, and for seven consecutive years was chosen a Selectman. For more than fifteen times he has been chosen to offices of distinction.

In 1885 and 1887 Mr. Mead was in the House. In 1887 he was House Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries. Mr. Mead was Senator from the Twelfth District in 1889, and again in 1891, the year of the deadlock. The former year he was Chairman of the Committee on Cities and Boroughs. In 1891 he stood by his party from first to last. To his new duties he brings a wide experience and much executive ability.
CHARLES PARMЕLE GRAHAM

ADJUTANT-GENERAL

Charles Parmele Graham, Adjutant-General, was born in Utica, N. Y., June 6, 1839. He came to Middletown and engaged in the practice of dentistry, which he has followed for thirty-six years. December 8, 1871, he joined Company H, Second Regiment; after a month of service was made First Sergeant, eight months later he became First Lieutenant, and on April 21, 1873, Captain. September 3, 1875, he became Major of the regiment. July 15, 1878, he succeeded Col. Stephen R. Smith, when that officer became Brigadier-General. Gen. Smith was made Adjutant-General under Gov. Harrison and Colonel Graham was promoted to be Brigadier-General, January 28, 1885. March 1, 1890, he was relieved by Gov. Bulkeley as an outgrowth of the First Regiment polo quarrel and honorably discharged. Committees of two Legislatures found the charges not sustained and recommended his restoration. The Senate of 1893 refused by only one vote to restore him. Gen. Graham has always been a military officer of ability. The general is a Dental Commissioner of the State and President of the State Dental Society.
WILLIAM E. DISBROW
QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL

William E. Disbrow of Bridgeport, Quartermaster-General, is a war veteran. He is connected with the Grand Army Post at Bridgeport and has held Federal offices. Always actively interested in politics he managed the last Republican campaign in his city. He was born in Brookfield, Conn., fifty years ago, and has been a farmer, a spring maker and an insurance agent. During the war he served as Corporal of Company H, Second Connecticut Heavy Artillery. He was a supervisor of the Connecticut census of 1880, and has been a Deputy United States Marshal.
GEO. AUSTIN BOWEN, M. D.

SURGEON-GENERAL

Geo. Austin Bowen, M. D., Surgeon-General, is of an old Connecticut family which located in Woodstock with the “pioneer settlers” in 1686, and has always been a prominent one in business and town affairs. General Bowen was born in Woodstock, July 7, 1841, in one of the family homesteads, which he now occupies. This old residence, a portion of it dating back to Colonial days, is quaint in structure, vine-clad and picturesque, and has been in the family for four generations.

In 1841 he removed with his family to Brooklyn, N. Y., where he received a liberal education, and was graduated from the University of New York, with the degree of M. D., in 1863.

It was his desire to enter the army as a surgeon and steps were taken to secure a position, but entreaties of friends, and the offer of an associate position with his preceptor, Dr. John Goul Rosman, a leading practitioner of the city, prevailed and he reluctantly relinquished the idea. He, however, saw much of military surgery in the army hospitals that surrounded New York and Brooklyn, where he frequently acted as a volunteer surgeon. He early connected himself with dispensary and hospital practice, serving five years as attending physician, for two years of which he was at the head of the department of skin diseases, and was for three years the secretary of the county medical society. Overwork resulted in a complete loss of health, compelling a relinquishment of all labor. To secure rest he retired to his farm at Woodstock in 1873 for a six months’ vacation. It was three years, however, before health was restored; in the meantime his love for agriculture had gained the ascendency, and he resolved to make Woodstock his home, where he has since pursued his profession and conducted a dairy and stock farm, breeding thoroughbred horses, cattle and sheep. In agriculture he has had many positions: Was secretary of the famous Woodstock Farmers’ Club during its history of twelve years; was twice elected president of the Woodstock Agricultural Society; has been a director of the Woodstock Creamery Incorporation from its inception, and for five years was president of the Connecticut Dairymen’s Association; was the first Master of Senexet Grange; for two years was the deputy for Windham County; served one term of two years as lecturer of the State Grange, and is now serving for the third term as Master thereof, and is a member of the National Grange. During these years he has lectured extensively in the New England, Middle and some of the Western States on agricultural and scientific subjects, and has been the president of the Patrons’ Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Hartford since its organization in 1887.

In limiting his practice, he still keeps in close contact with his profession. Is the medical examiner, also the health officer, for the town of Woodstock, and is connected with the Day Kimball Hospital of Putnam, and is a member of the Association of American Military Surgeons.

General Bowen has always been active in politics and connected with local and State associations, but would never consent to become a candidate for any office. He was, however, nominated for Lieutenant-Governor on the ticket with General Mervin in 1896, which occurred while he was absent from the State on professional business, and a declination impossible.
HENRY SEYMOUR PECK

HENRY SEYMOUR PECK, of New Haven, Commissary-General, went to the Civil War as principal musician in the non-commissioned staff of the Twenty-second Connecticut. Serving until December 23, 1863, he returned to New Haven (where he was born) in 1845, and where he graduated from Russell's Collegiate and Commercial Institute in 1862, and continued until 1870 in the photographic business.

Then he went into the warehouse business in New York, and remained until 1888. General Peck was a Lieutenant of the Second Company Governor's Foot Guards and has been Vice-Commander of Admiral Foote Post, G. A. R. He is now an aid on National Commander Lawler's staff, G. A. R.

General Peck was at one time a Councilman and a Commissioner of Public Parks.
JAMES H. JARMAN
PAYMASTER-GENERAL

JAMES H. JARMAN, of Hartford, Paymaster-General, was born in New Haven, June 10, 1848. There, at the age of 19, he became a member of the New Haven Grays. After three and one-half years of service he removed to Hartford and became one of the organizers of Company K, First Regiment, enlisting February 10, 1879. In April he was made a Sergeant, February 19, 1883, became Second Lieutenant, and First Lieutenant April 29, 1886. Major and Brigade Inspector of Rifle Practice were his next honors, under Brigadier-General Graham. He declined to consider an appointment on the staff of Colonel Watson, named to succeed General Graham. General Jarman is an agent at the home office of the Connecticut Mutual Life, and an ardent worker in the Y. M. C. A. He is Chairman of the Board of School Visitors of Hartford, and has been an earnest advocate of the introduction of sewing and manual training in our public schools. The General is a thirty-second degree Mason; Past Commander of Washington Commandery, No. 1, K. T.; an officer in the Scottish Rite bodies, and a member of the Mystic Shrine; a charter member of the Hartford Republican Club, a member of The McKinley and The 20th Century Clubs. He is also Councilman from the Second Ward. General Jarman prepared for college, intending to enter Yale in the class of 1869, but circumstances prevented.
LEONARD M. DAGGETT

JUDGE ADVOCATE-GENERAL

Leonard M. Daggett, of New Haven, Judge Advocate-General, graduated at Yale Academic in 1884, and the Law School in 1887. He is a nephew of the late Rev. O. E. Daggett, Pastor at Yale College and a son of Dr. Daggett, a well-known practitioner. He is a member of the law firm of White & Daggett, and Instructor on Law of Wills in the Graduate Course at the Yale Law School. General Daggett was born in New Haven, November 23, 1863. In 1891 he was a member of the Board of Councilmen.
Col. HERBERT LATIMER CAMP

AID-DE-CAMP

Colonel Herbert Latimer Camp, of Middletown, is a son of the late J. N. Camp and a nephew of the late General Frederick E. Camp, Adjutant-General on the staff of Governor Lounsberry, and Paymaster-General on the staff of Governor Bigelow. He was teller of the First National Bank of Middletown until about a year ago, but is now devoting his whole time to the management of several large estates. Colonel Camp was born in Middletown, July 30, 1867, and was educated wholly in the public and private schools of that city.
Col. WATSON J. MILLER
AID-DE-CAMP

Col. WATSON J. MILLER, of Shelton, town of Huntington, was born in Middletown, Conn., Nov. 23, 1849, and is a descendant of Thomas Miller, who came from England about 1630, and who built the first mill in Middletown about 1660. Gov. Benjamin Miller was the youngest son of Thomas Miller and great-great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch. This entitles Colonel Miller to membership in the Sons of the Colonial Wars. On his mother's side the Colonel is a descendant of Timothy Prout, also a native of England, who came to Boston about 1640, removing to Middletown about 1670, and was interested in the building of the first vessel on the Connecticut River at Middletown.

Colonel Miller's education was obtained in the Middletown High School and Chase Institute, also at the New Haven Business College.

In 1868, he engaged in the manufacture of silverware at Middletown, and in 1874 married Miss Susie J. Waite, daughter of Alonzo Waite, of Chicopee, Mass., then went to New York, still in the same business, returning to Connecticut in 1879 and locating in Shelton, town of Huntington, where he was made Secretary-Treasurer and General Manager of the reorganized Derby Silver Company. Ten years afterward he became its president, with control and general management. He has had tendered him several times the nomination of representative from his town, but has declined all political honors, preferring to devote his whole time and energy to the building up of his business interests. Colonel Miller is also President of the South End Land Company, of the Shelton Savings Bank, the Shelton Building and Loan Association, and a director in the Derby Building and Lumber Company, Home Trust Company, Shelton and Derby Board of Trade, Public Library and has just been elected a director in the Birmingham National Bank, to succeed the late Edward N. Shelton. Colonel Miller is also a 32d degree Mason, Knight Templar and member of Mystic Shrine.
Col. Henry Walton Wessells, of Litchfield, was born in New Milford, July 13, 1845, and educated at the "Gunnery," in Washington, and is of the firm of Wessells, Gates & Co., druggists. He is the son of Gen. L. W. Wessells, who was Colonel of the Nineteenth Connecticut Volunteers and Quartermaster-General under Gov. Andrews. Col. Wessells is a member of New York Commandery, Loyal Legion, and of the Young Men's Republican Club of New Haven. He is also Warden of the Borough of Litchfield, Secretary of the Litchfield Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Treasurer Connecticut Society Sons of the Revolution, Vice-President Connecticut Society War of 1812, Secretary and Treasurer of the Litchfield Club, member of the Division Council, Sons of Veterans, and Capt. of C. O. Belden Camp No. 81, Sons of Veterans. For three years he was Lieutenant of Company H, Fourth Regiment, C. N. G. He has been an Assessor of Litchfield, Colonel and Lieutenant-Colonel Connecticut Division Sons of Veterans, member of the Advisory Board Sons of Veterans' Guards, and of the Council in Chief; President New England Association Sons of Veterans, and Registrar of Connecticut Society of Colonial War.
Colonel Landers was until Jan. 9, 1895, from Sept. 23, 1893, Assistant General, with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, on the staff of Gen. George Havens, the brigade commander of the National Guard. He is 47 years old, was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., and has seen over thirteen years' service in the National Guard. In 1866, when Colonel Landers lived in Mystic, Conn., he enlisted in Company "A," Third Regiment, C. N. G. He was promoted to Corporal, Sergeant, First Sergeant, and elected Second Lieutenant May 8, 1868; Captain, June 4, 1871, and Major of the Regiment, December 4, 1874. He resigned, February 26, 1878, and again entered the service September 23, 1893, succeeding Lieut.-Col. George M. Cole on General Havens' staff.

Colonel Landers has had a large experience and been an active worker in fraternal orders, having been Worshipful Master of Charity Lodge, No. 68, F. & A. M.; High Priest of Benevolence Chapter, No. 21, R. A. M.; Thrice Illustrious Master of Mystic Council, No. 29, R. & S. M.; also District Deputy Grand Master for the Masonic Lodges in New London County. He has been Grand Master Workman of the Grand Lodge A. O. U. W., Massachusetts jurisdiction, embracing the New England States, and as a representative from that grand body has attended sessions of the Supreme Lodge of United States and Canada at Omaha, Detroit and Helena, Montana. He has also "preached" the merits of the Order before audiences in the principal cities in Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut, and is still "in the harness."

Colonel Landers is a merchant in New London (firm of W. E. F. Landers & Co.), being in business there in the carpet, dry goods and house furnishing line.
Col. Louis Richmond Cheney
Assistant Quartermaster-General

Col. Louis Richmond Cheney, Assistant Quartermaster-General, was born in South Manchester, Conn., April 27, 1859.

He was educated at the Hartford High School, and was engaged in the silk business for fourteen years at South Manchester, Hartford and New York, until July, 1893, when he returned to Hartford, and has since been in charge of several estates. He is secretary of the Republican Club of Hartford, a director in the Connecticut River Banking Co., beside having been treasurer of the Land and Improvement Co., of Rye, N. Y.

Colonel Cheney is known as a man of fine social instincts and good business qualifications, making him deservedly popular in both public and private life. Among his brother officers he is considered a very companionable addition to the staff.
Capt. John Milton Thompson, 24th U. S. Infantry, now attached to the Staff of the Commander-in-Chief of the Military Forces of the State, was born in Lebanon, N. H., Aug. 1, 1842.

He entered the volunteer service as a private in the 7th N. H., Nov. 7, 1861, and served continuously until mustered out as Captain 33d U. S. C. T., Jan. 31, 1866.

He was present during the siege of Charleston and its minor operations, serving as Provost Marshal, Provost Judge, etc., of the city after its capture.

He was brevetted for gallant and meritorious conduct at James Island, 1864.

In 1866 he was appointed Second Lieutenant in the regular army, since which time his service has been mostly in Texas, Indian Territory, New Mexico and Arizona. Captain Thompson's thirty-three years of active service cannot be given in an article like this.

He is a member of the Military Order Loyal Legion, Sons of American Revolution and New Hampshire Sons of Revolution.
Hon. ORVILLE H. PLATT.

UNITED STATES SENATOR.

Hon. Orville H. Platt, one of the United States Senators from Connecticut, was born in the town of Washington, Litchfield County, in this State, on July 19, 1827. He is a son of Daniel G. Platt, a farmer. His education was received in the common schools and in "The Gunnery," in the town of Washington. Mr. Platt studied law in the office of Hon. Gideon H. Hollister, Litchfield, the well-known historian of Connecticut, and was admitted to the bar in Litchfield in 1849. Subsequently he secured admission to the Pennsylvania bar in Towanda, Bradford County, and spent six months in the office of Hon. Ulysses Mercur, now Chief-Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. He returned to Connecticut in 1851, and located in Meriden as a practitioner of law, and has since made that city his home. In 1855-6 he was Clerk of the Connecticut Senate, and was elected Secretary of State in 1857. In 1861-2 he was a member of the Senate, and in 1864 and 1869 was elected to the House,—the last year serving as its Speaker. In all these positions he displayed exceptional qualifications and showed a special aptitude for legislative business. In 1877 he was chosen State Attorney for New Haven County, and held that place till elected, in 1879, to the United States Senate to succeed Hon. William H. Barnum. His first term in the Senate expired March 3, 1885, but he was unanimously re-elected, and at the expiration of his second term, in 1891, was again chosen for the term expiring in 1897.
Hon. Joseph R. Hawley, United States Senator from Connecticut, was born October 31, 1826, at Stewartsville, N. C. His father, Rev. Francis Hawley, was born in Farmington, Conn., a descendant of Samuel Hawley who settled in Stratford, Conn., in 1639. In 1837 the family removed to Connecticut, and in 1841 to Cazenovia, N. Y. General Hawley prepared for college at the Hartford Grammar School and the Cazenovia Seminary and graduated at Hamilton College, N. Y., in 1847. In 1849 he returned to Connecticut and began the practice of law in Hartford as the partner of John Hooker, September 1, 1850. From the profession of a lawyer he turned to that of editor, and thus graduated into politics. He was elected Governor of Connecticut in 1866, filling the office for a single term. In the autumn of 1872, upon the death of Julius L. Strong, he was elected a Representative in Congress over William W. Eaton, and was re-elected for the full term in April, 1873. He was defeated in 1875 and 1876, but elected to the Forty-sixth Congress in 1878, taking his seat March 4, 1879. Thence, March 4, 1881, he was transferred to the Senate, and was re-elected for a second term in 1887, and again in 1893 for his third term.

Senator Hawley is one of the best extempore speakers in the United States, and his services are in demand in all political campaigns. He speaks with much vigor and magnetism, and his words always have an important influence for good. He always voices the best sentiment of the country in every department of activity, and the citizens of the State take great pride in being represented by him at the National capital.

Senator Hawley’s war record is one of which any patriot may be proud. From the profession of lawyer he turned to that of editor, and in 1861 was among the first to enlist under President Lincoln’s first call for troops. He enlisted in Rifle Company A, First Connecticut Volunteers, and was chosen Captain. On the return of this Regiment from service he was appointed Lieutenant-Colonel of the Seventh Connecticut and served until the close of the war, when he was discharged with the brevet rank of Major-General.
Hon. E. Stevens Henry (Vernon), Member of Congress from the First District, was born in Gill, Mass., in 1836, and removed to Rockville early in life. He grew up in and with that prosperous community, and is one of its leading citizens. He is a successful business man, a large owner of real estate, proprietor of a fine farm, breeder of choice cattle, and a manager of various other important interests, being at the head of the People's Savings Bank. He is a director in the First National Bank of Rockville, and in the First National Bank of Willimantic, also treasurer of the Tolland County Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Mr. Henry was a member of the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of 1883, State Senate in 1887 and 1888; was a delegate-at-large in the Republican National Convention in 1888, was State Treasurer for four years, from 1889 to 1893. His record in this office is well known, and his methods have received the heartiest indorsement of the taxpayers of the State. Under his administration the State tax was eliminated, the State debt largely reduced by the payment of all matured and optional bonded obligations.

Mr. Henry is at present Mayor of Rockville, being elected for two years in December, 1893. He was the Republican candidate for Congress in 1892, but was defeated by Lewis Sperry by a plurality of 562. In 1894 Henry defeated Sperry by 5,207, running 703 votes ahead of the State ticket.
Hon. NEHEMIAH DAY SPERRY
CONGRESSMAN-ELECT

Hon. Nehemiah Day Sperry, of New Haven, was born at Woodbridge, New Haven County, Conn., on July 10, 1827.

He is of Puritan ancestry, being in direct line of descent from Richard Sperry, one of the early settlers of New England.

The subject of this sketch is the third son of Enoch and Atlanta Sperry. His father was a farmer and manufacturer of some means and of excellent repute, who transmitted to his offspring the best qualities of the sturdy Puritan stock from which he sprang. Young Sperry was educated in the public schools of his native place, and spent one year at Prof. Amos Smith's private school at New Haven. By his labors as a teacher, and also through his connection with his father's business, he was enabled to save several hundred dollars, and with this small capital at his command, he entered upon a very successful business career in New Haven as the junior member of the building firm of Smith & Sperry, founded in 1848.

From the day he polled his first vote, Mr. Sperry has taken an active and intelligent interest in political affairs, local, state and national. Previously a Whig, he became connected with the American party upon its formation, and in 1854, was its principal leader in Connecticut, although then one of its youngest members. In 1855 he was a delegate from Connecticut to the National Convention of the American party held in Philadelphia, and was appointed a member of the Committee on Resolutions. As such he vigorously opposed the incorporation of pro-slavery planks in the platform, as false in logic and vicious in principle; and when they were
adopted he unceremoniously bolted the Convention.

Together with many others of the party who held views in consonance with his own, he attended the first National Convention of the newly-formed Republican Party, which was held in New York City in the same year, and gave his warm support to the candidacy of General Fremont, for whose election he labored with extraordinary energy during the ensuing campaign. In 1861 President Lincoln appointed him Postmaster of New Haven. In 1864 he was a member of the Republican National Convention, held at Baltimore, which renominated Lincoln for the presidency.

In 1867 he was selected by Senators Platt and Hawley and others to write an article on "The Advantages of Protection," for the Christian Secretary, a paper published in the city of Hartford, in reply to a Free Trade article in the same paper by Prof. W. G. Sumner. Mr. Sperry's article covered a whole page of the paper, and excited such wide-spread interest that four hundred thousand copies were published to meet the immediate demand, and a large edition in pamphlet form was afterward published and broadly circulated. The New York Tribune and other leading journals pronounced it one of the strongest as well as one of the ablest papers on the question of "Practical Protection" ever published.

In social life he is very popular, and is connected, officially and otherwise, with a number of the principal local organizations. Of one of these, the Quinnipiack Club, probably the oldest in the city, he has been president for twelve years or more. He is also president of the Chamber of Commerce of New Haven. He was nominated for Congress again in 1894, as a Republican, receiving 28,749 votes, against 21,821 for Pigott, Democrat; 599 for Griffin, Prohibitionist, and 693 for Baldwin, People's.
Hon. CHARLES ADDISON RUSSELL
CONGRESSMAN, THIRD DISTRICT

Hon. Charles Addison Russell was born in Worcester, Mass., March 21, 1852. He was educated in the public schools, and under the tuition of Rev. Harris Greene prepared for Yale College, from which he was graduated in 1872, taking high rank as a scholar and acquiring much popularity as a comrade. For five years he was city editor of the Worcester Press, and afterward occupied a similar position on the Worcester Spy. In 1880, Mr. Russell married the daughter of Hon. Sabin L. Sayles, of Killingly, in this State, and became associated with the Sabin L. Sayles Woolen Company as its treasurer. In 1881, he was an aide, with rank of Colonel, on the staff of Governor Bigelow, and in 1883 Killingly sent him to the Legislature, where he proved a valuable Republican leader, both in the legislative hall and in the committee room. Much of his efficiency has been due to his newspaper experience, for he was a graceful and convincing speaker and a polished, forcible writer. His political speeches in the campaign of 1884 were highly complimented, and were prolific of good results. That year, having been nominated for Secretary of State, he had the gratification of leading, in votes, his co-nominees for the various offices.

He was elected Congressman from the Third in 1886. Since then he has been four times relected, so that now he is serving his fifth term. As the advocate and friend of home industries he has steadily opposed in Congress every attempt to impair the laws under which Connecticut manufacturing and mechanical interests have prospered, and has given his support to every measure calculated to advance the commercial and agricultural prosperity of the State. His years of service at Washington have been marked by prompt attention to the demands made upon his time and consideration by his constituents in matters affecting their private interests. Courteous and frank toward all who have approached him, he has allied men to him by the strongest personal ties, and he is now more popular than ever throughout his district and the State.
Hon. Ebenezer J. Hill

CONGRESSMAN FOURTH DISTRICT

Hon. Ebenezer J. Hill was born in Redding, Conn., August 4, 1845. He is the son of a Methodist minister, Rev. Moses Hill, of Redding, Conn., and Charlotte Ilsley McLellan Hill, of Portland, Me. His first ancestor in this country was William Hill, of Windsor, who was a member of the fall session of the first General Assembly of Connecticut, August, 1639, and whose descendants have ever since been continuous residents of Connecticut and honorably identified with its history.

Mr. Hill prepared for college at the public school in Norwalk and entered Yale with the class of '65, where he remained two years, withdrawing to accept a position as civilian clerk in the Subsistence Department of the Eighteenth Army Corps and continued with the army until the close of the war. In 1892 he received from Yale University the honorary degree of Master of Arts.

For four years he was secretary and treasurer of the Norwalk Iron Works and during twenty-two succeeding years was engaged in the lumber business.

He is now president of the Norwalk Street Railway Company and the Norwalk Gaslight Company, vice-president of the National Bank of Norwalk, and associated with several of the manufacturing concerns of Norwalk.

He is a Past Grand Master and served two terms as Grand Representative of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Connecticut, is a vice-president of the State Board of Trade, and of the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and thrice a delegate to its National Congress. In 1892 he was chosen by the laymen of the New York East Conference to represent that body in the Quadrennial General Conference of Methodism at Omaha.

He has served twice as burgess of Norwalk, twice as chairman of the Board of School Visitors of Norwalk, was delegate from the Fourth Congressional District to the National Republican Convention of 1884, was a member of the Connecticut Senate in 1886-87, served one term upon the Republican State Central Committee, and was elected to the Fifty-fourth Congress as a Republican, receiving 24,012 votes, against 18,559 Democratic, 447 Prohibitionist, 284 Populist, and 173 Socialist Labor.
Hon. John H. Hall, of Hartford, a staunch Democrat, who represents the First District in the Senate, was born in Portland, March 24, 1849, and is a descendant of John Hall, an Englishman, who settled in Roxbury, Mass., in 1633. In 1636 this ancestor came to Hartford, and in 1650 moved to Middletown. Samuel Hall, third from the emigrant, moved in 1719 to what is now Portland, where, in 1849, the Senator was born. His father, Alfred Hall, who died in 1873, had been a member of both branches of our Legislature. Senator Hall was educated in the public schools, in Chase's well-known Middletown school and then at the Cheshire Episcopal Academy. Preferring business to a professional career he went to New York and at the early age of 19 was the head of the foreign and insurance departments of the coffee importing house of Sturgis, Bennet & Co.

In 1877 he returned to Portland and managed the Pickering Governor Company, in which he had bought a large interest. In 1884 he was chosen president of the Shaler & Hall Quarry Co., and in 1888 accepted the vice-presidency and
general management of the well-known Colt Patent Fire Arms Manufacturing Company, of Hartford. At present he has the management of all three corporations. He declined political office in Portland, although frequently urged to accept the nomination for Representative. Since 1890 he has been a Water Commissioner of Hartford, and is a director in the Phoenix Insurance Company, the Phoenix Mutual Life, the Hartford National Bank, the Dime Savings Bank and the Board of Trade, of which he was one of the founders. He is a member of the Hartford Club and Manhattan Club of New York and the New York and New Haven and Larchmont Yacht Clubs. He is a Son of the American Revolution and a thirty-second degree Mason. He is also senior warden of the Church of the Good Shepherd. Senator Hall is a very popular man and well represents the important constituency of Hartford.

In 1870 he married Miss Sarah G. Loines, of New York, a descendant of Quaker stock of the Rhode Island Hopkineses, who were prominent in the government during the Revolution.
Hon. ALEMBERT O. CROSBY
DISTRICT, NO. 2

Hon. Alembert O. Crosby, Senator from the Second District, is a manufacturer who is thoroughly identified with the town of Glastonbury, where he was born April 24, 1848. It was in the common school that he received his first book knowledge. Then he attended a select school and finished his education at Wesleyan Academy. He is not a graduate of any college, but received his wide knowledge from contact with men of affairs in the prosecution of a successful business. Neither has he held any National, State, local or corporate office previous to his elevation to the Senatorial dignity, except that he represented Glastonbury in the house of 1890. At that session he showed himself to be a careful student of legislation, watching carefully not only matters concerning his own town, but bearing in mind the greater interests of the people at large. In this he was peculiarly successful. Senator Crosby is a popular man, and acts now, as he has always acted, with the Republican party.
Hon. CHARLES COFFEY
DISTRICT, NO. 3

Hon. Charles Coffey, Senator from the Third District, is one of the old members of the Senate. He served last term as Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, and was a leader in the Senate. He participated in most of the trying debates, and was a staunch supporter of his party. Senator Coffey was also in the House of 1891, where he did good service for the State. He has always been a Republican and devoted to the principles of the party. He was born in Granby, May 4, 1851, and is therefore 43 years of age. He is a graduate of the Southwick (Mass.) Academy and of the Suffield Literary Institution. Senator Coffey has been highly honored by his fellow citizens. For three years he was Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and he has been a member of the Board of Relief. In all these capacities he has shown marked ability as an executive officer. It is this, together with many personal characteristics, that have made him the popular man he is among the people. Senator Coffey is by occupation a produce dealer and a farmer.
Hon. John Birge

Hon. John Birge is the Senator from the Fourth District. He belongs in the thriving town of Bristol, where he is one of the leading manufacturers. He was born in that town August 25, 1853, being now 41 years of age. His education was begun in the common schools, and finished by an academic course at Lake Forest Academy, Lake Forest, Ill. Active business early engaged his attention. For this he had predilections and uncommon ability. He is at present a member of the firm of N. L. Birge & Sons. Always active in politics he has been a member of the Republican State Central Committee for the Fourth District. In this important place he discharged his duties with great efficiency, being an excellent judge of men and means. Much of the success of the last campaign depended upon his wisdom and foresight. He is a believer in pure politics and also in the young men's movement. He was president of the Young Men's Republican Club, which is associated with the State League, and has been chairman of the Republican Town Committee for several terms. This is Senator Birge's first appearance in the State government.
Hon. Daniel Frederick Webster

Hon. Daniel Frederick Webster, Senator from the Fifth District, is a practicing lawyer who has shown himself a wide-eyed public servant in the city of Waterbury. He is at present clerk of the police court in that city, and although a member of the Legislature for the first time, he has been frequently chosen to positions of local importance. As Mayor of Waterbury he came into much merited prominence, caring for the city's interests in a way to merit the approbation of all classes of citizens. He was led up to the high position through the grades of Councilman and Alderman. In addition to being now clerk of the police court, he has been clerk of the district court and also a member of the Town Board of School Visitors. Senator Webster is a staunch Republican, a man of readiness in debate, and brings much strength to the Senate. He was born in Litchfield, March 14, 1853, and is therefore 41 years of age. He graduated from Dartmouth College in 1874.

On June 27, 1879, he married Elizabeth R. Fox, of Thomaston. They have four children—Bradford, Frederick B., Benjamin and Howard. He is the efficient Chairman of the Committee on Incorporations.
Hon. John Walter Mix

District, No. 6

Hon. John Walter Mix, of Yalesville, the Republican who represents the Sixth Senatorial District in the Senate, is widely known for his social and society, as well as political connections. He is a high officer of the Maronec fraternity, and a manufacturer of much success. He was born in the pretty town of Cheshire, from whence many prominent men have come. The year of his nativity was 1850, and he is now 44 years of age. Educational advantages he enjoyed with his fellows in the district schools, Military Academy at Cheshire, and Golden Hill Institute, Bridgeport. He then passed to the business of a manufacturer, in which he acquired success and reputation. In 1883 he represented the town of Cheshire in the Legislature, and attended in a creditable manner to the duties of that position. When he moved to Yalesville, which is in the town of Wallingford, he at once assumed a leading position in the politics of the town. In 1894 he was chosen Selectman, again displaying the executive ability which has characterized him in all his relations. Senator Mix's rare business acumen brings to the Senate a strength which it might not otherwise have possessed.
Hon. Johnson D. Dayton, Senator from the Seventh District, was born in New Milford, Litchfield County. When still quite young his parents moved to Bethlehem, where they followed the vocation of farming. His father, William Dayton, was engaged in the grocery business in Ansonia forty years ago, but removed to Bethlehem and again took up farming. The usual experience of a farmer's boy was his. He attended the common schools when he had time, and by his own close study achieved a good education, which was finished at Wilbraham, Mass. When 22 years of age he went to Westville and entered the employ of the Swift, Courtney & Beecher Co., match manufacturers. Mr. Dayton's position with this firm was one of responsibility and trust. He had charge of the box department in which was expensive patent machinery, to run it requiring considerable mechanical ability. He remained with this concern several years, and twenty years ago he came to this place and entered the shoe business. He purchased the interest of the elder member of the firm of J. Wheeler & Son, who were located at Mr. Dayton's present stand. The name of the new firm was Wheeler & Dayton. The business doubled within a short time, and Mr. Dayton bought out his partner, Charles Wheeler, and has since conducted the business. Mr. Dayton has, by strict attention to business and the wants of his customers, built up an immense trade, and established a shoe store which is noted in the trade as one of the leading shoe stores in Connecticut. Senator Dayton is known by his fellow-townsmen as an upright, conscientious gentleman, and merits the respect of all. He is a member of the Masonic order and Odd Fellows, and a director of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Dayton has always been a Republican of the "red hot" order, and has done much efficient work for his party. He has never held any local offices, but has served his party admirably on the town committee. He was nominated for Senator two years ago, and only consented to run after the urgent appeals of his friends. He was defeated by F. W. Holden by 94 votes, but ran ahead of the State ticket 100 votes. Senator Dayton is a man of correct principles and fine judgment, and although he has never been in the Legislature before, he brings to his position a discrimination and outside experience that will make his presence valuable.

It is safe to say that this district will be ably represented by him,
Hon. Lyman Humiston Johnson, who represents the large Eighth District of New Haven, is a staunch Republican, who has held many important offices in the city of his residence. He was born outside of the city, in Wallingford, where he first saw the light October 10, 1845, being now, therefore, 49 years of age. He enjoyed the privileges of the common schools, but did not go to college, preferring rather a business life. His parents moved to Branford in 1859, and in 1862-65 he learned his trade in Hamden, embarking in business for himself in Branford in 1866, where he was married. In 1876 he removed to New Haven, and he now carries on an extensive horseshoeing business in that city. He is a member of the Board of Public Works of New Haven. In 1887-88 he was a Councilman, and in 1891-92 an Alderman. Senator Johnson is high in Masonic circles, being at present Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templars, a thirty-second degree Mason, member of Scottish Rite and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine.
Hon. Benjamin Hempstead Lee, of New London, Senator from the Ninth District, is a Republican and a manufacturer who has had many advantages, and will devote them all to the welfare of his constituency and the State. He was born in New London, the chief city of his district, December 7, 1852, and is 42 years of age. He graduated from Bartlett High School in that city, and also at Schofield's Commercial College at Providence. The political party to which his services have been given has honored him in the past by choosing him a Councilman and then an Alderman of New London, but he has never before been advanced to a seat in the Legislature. Senator Lee, during the last year of his term as Alderman, was Chairman of the very important Committee of Finance. In social life he is much liked. He married a daughter of the late Gen. Joseph A. Mower. Senator Lee is the first Republican Senator from the Ninth District in twelve years, and his constituents are correspondingly gratified over the fact.
Hon. William Henry Palmer, Jr.

Hon. William Henry Palmer, Jr., who represents the Tenth District, is a Republican and a veteran of the Civil War. He was born in Montville, October 1, 1844, and traces his ancestry back to about 1650.

He attended the usual district schools, but received no further education except such as his multifarious duties of life offered him. In this way he has matured an experience that will serve the State well.

In the Civil War he was a musician in the 21st Regt., Conn. Vols., since then taking a deep interest in Grand Army matters and having been for two years Commander of Sedgwick Post. After the close of the war he went to Middletown, and was for a number of years superintendent of the Anowwanna Mills, afterward filling the same position in the Palmer Tentering Machine Co., of which Company he was also treasurer and manager. In 1886 he became associated with the Palmer Bros. at Montville, as superintendent of construction and machinery, a concern with a national reputation for making bed quilts and comforts, now giving employment to about 350 hands.

Mr. Palmer has made a number of valuable inventions and taken out patents on machinery now in use in comfortable manufactories, which have brought about great saving of labor and facilitated the work. He first held public office at Middletown, where he served four years in the Common Council and three years on the Board of Education.

As a representative from Norwich in 1892, his first term in the Legislature, he served as a member of the Judiciary Committee and was active in the issues that came before the House.

He is also one of the ablest members of the City Government and admirably qualified to fill the position of alderman.

Mr. Palmer is Chairman of the Fire Department, Secretary of the Norwich Industrial Building Company, director of the Norwich Savings Society and of the First National Bank, also a trustee of the Dime Savings Bank. He is also a prominent Mason and a member of the Arcanum club.
Senator William F. Gates, of the Eleventh District, was born in Windham, Conn., August 8, 1836, and is now 58 years of age. He traces his ancestry to Thomas Gates, one of the earliest settlers of Preston. He is a farmer by occupation, residing in the north part of the town of Lebanon, near the city of Willimantic. He was Vice-President of the Adams Nickel-Plating and Manufacturing Company, a concern that bought, about 1872, the right to nickel plate under the patents granted to Dr. Isaac Adams, Jr., of Boston, and carried on a successful business at South Windham during the life of those patents. Senator Gates has, during the last twenty years, been continuously chosen by his townspeople to some one or other of the various important offices of the town.

He represented the town of Lebanon in the Legislatures of 1877 and 1883. He wears the Grand Army button, having served in Co. G, 26th Regiment of Conn. Vols., and was detailed as an orderly to Gen. Banks, Headquarters Department of the Gulf. Six members of this company have held seats in the Legislature.

The losses of this regiment, although serving but nine months, either in deaths by disease or casualties in battle, exceeded the average three years' regiment. He is a Republican. He obtains his seat by contest, Clark W. Reynolds, Democrat, having been declared elected by four plurality, the Prohibition vote of the town of Waterford, cast for Mr. Wolf, Jr., to the number of thirty-six, have been counted for him. Senator Gates is the father of the clerk of the Senate, Andrew F. Gates.
Hon. George E. Lounsbury, Republican Senator from the Twelfth District, was born fifty-six years ago in Poundridge, Westchester County, N.Y., but, when only a few months old, came with his parents to Ridgefield to the farm on which he still lives.

At the age of seventeen he began to teach in the public schools, an occupation which he followed until he entered college. He graduated from Yale College in the class of 1863, and from the Berkeley School at Middletown in 1866. For a year, as deacon in the Episcopal Church, he had charge of the parishes at Thompsonville and Suffield. Leaving this work in 1867 on account of throat trouble, he embarked with his brother, Phineas C. Lounsbury, in the manufacture of boots and shoes, and in this business he is still extensively engaged as senior member of the firm of Lounsbury, Mathewson & Co., at South Norwalk. He is in the sixth generation of descent from Richard and Elizabeth Lounsbury, who were among the first settlers of the southwestern part of the Connecticut colony, and whose land, purchased from the Indians, is still known as "The Lounsbury Farm." His grandfather, Enos Lounsbury, was a soldier in the Revolution. His father, Nathan Lounsbury, was a member of the Legislature in 1875, and his brother, Phineas C. Lounsbury, was Governor of the State in 1887 and 1888.

Senator Lounsbury is Chairman of the Committee on Finance. Until the last election he had never been a candidate for any office. He ran ahead of his ticket in the district and received the full benefit of the Republican tidal wave. His majority was 1,302 in a district which had been considered close and doubtful.
Hon. John H. Ferris, Republican Senator from the Thirteenth District, was born and educated in the State which he so honorably represents.

Senator Ferris was born in Darien, October 22, 1842, and is 52 years of age. He engaged in business in 1870, being wholesale and retail dealer in coal, wood, blue-stone, and masons' material, and since its inception a deservedly great success has rewarded his well-directed efforts, until now his establishment is one of the largest in the wholesale line in the New England States.

For thirteen years he was Treasurer of the City of South Norwalk. He has been a Councilman, and is a director in the City National Bank, and in the Norwalk Iron Works, the Norwalk Lock Company, the Norwalk Gas Light Company; also President of the Norwalk Hospital Association, and Vice-President of South Norwalk Savings Bank.

He was in the House of 1887, and served as House Chairman of the Committee on Banks. He was also in the House of 1889, and served in the same capacity. In 1893 he was chosen to the Senate, where he became Chairman of the Committee on Banks, also presiding officer of the upper branch of the Connecticut Legislature of 1895. On January 9, 1895, Senator Ferris took his seat as President pro tempore of the Senate.
Hon. William H. Marigold, Republican Senator from the Fourteenth District, is a popular citizen who has been highly honored by his party. He has been Councilman and Alderman and twice Mayor of Bridgeport, defeating strong Democratic candidates. He was born in Waterbury, September 17, 1858, and is 36 years of age. He obtained his education in the common and night schools. He learned the trade of a practical printer in the office of The Waterbury American. In 1881 he went to Bridgeport and started a job printing office, in which he has been markedly successful. In secret society circles he is well known, and was Grand Master of the Odd Fellows of this State in 1893, and is now Representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge. Senator Marigold is President of the Bridgeport Republican Club, and is a leader in his party.
Hon. Henry Bernd
District, No. 15

Hon. Henry Bernd, of Danbury, Senator from the Fifteenth District, is a native of Allentown, Pa., and was born January 15, 1837. He comes from one of the oldest families of the United States, his ancestors having settled in the vicinity of the present city of Philadelphia in the year 1732, where their descendants are still to be found. In addition to his own recognized abilities and successful business career, Mr. Bernd has, therefore, the prestige and honor which are always associated with, and are inseparable from, a long lineage of honorable ancestry.

In 1856 Mr. Bernd left Allentown, where he had learned, thoroughly, the trade of cigar manufacturer, and went to Danbury, where he at once established himself in the cigar business, which he conducted with great success for a period of thirty years.

In 1885, having acquired a handsome competency from his successfully managed business, and his son having attained his majority, he transferred his business to him, and has since devoted his attention almost wholly to public affairs, for which he is admirably adapted. On March 3, 1885, he was elected Burgess for two years, and filled the office so successfully that during the same year he was elected Third Selectman, and in October, 1886, he was elected First Selectman. In 1887 he was defeated, but was again returned as First Selectman in 1888, and in 1889 was a third time elected to this responsible position, virtually the highest in the gift of the town, by the largest majority cast up to that time for Selectman in Danbury. This was all the more gratifying, and showed the high esteem and confidence in which he is held by the public, as he is a staunch Republican, while Danbury is strongly Democratic.

Mr. Bernd is a representative property owner of the city, being proprietor of Judd's Block and other property, and he is a director of the Danbury Gas and Electric Light Company, and was President of the Electric Light Company before it was sold to the Gas Company. He is also a prominent Mason, having passed to the degrees of Knight Templars and the Ancient Egyptian Rite, of which the Shrine is located in the valley of Bridgeport.

This is his first term in the Legislature. He occupies a prominent place in the Senate, and is Chairman of the Joint Committee on Humane Institutions.
Hon. Randolph Henry Chandler, representing the Sixteenth District, is a staunch Republican. By profession he is a lawyer, and was born in Thompson, January 11, 1853. His age, therefore, is 41. He attended Phillips Academy at Andover, Mass., and graduated with honor. For two terms he was elevated by his townsmen to serve them in a legislative capacity. This was in the Houses of 1879 and 1880. He has also held many town offices, and is now a Justice of the Peace. Senator Chandler has had ample advantages to serve the people well, and will lend material aid to the Senate in its deliberations over general legislation and the political situation.
Hon. Claramon Hunt, Senator from the Seventeenth District, is a strong Republican, who began his education in the little red school house. He continued it in the activities of life, the attrition developing his natural abilities in an excellent degree. Senator Hunt was born in Blackstone, Mass., April 25, 1842. He was chosen to the House of 1893, where he did excellent work. He was for sixteen years the popular and successful manager of the Wauregan store, during which time he was Postmaster. For the past twelve years he has been treasurer of the Sterling Dyeing and Finishing Company, one of the most enterprising manufacturing concerns in the State, and of which he was one of the organizers.

He has creditably held several public offices, and is a prominent member of several secret societies. Senator Hunt's wide experience with men of affairs makes him, with his other qualifications, a most valuable Senator.
Hon. George W. Smith, of New Hartford, Senator from the Eighteenth District, is a Republican and a Director in the Greenwoods Company, a prosperous manufacturing corporation making cotton duck. He is also Town Treasurer, a position he has held for many years. He has also been Registrar of Voters, and for four years Postmaster of New Hartford. Senator Smith was born in Pine Meadow, Conn., forty-five years ago. He attended Wesleyan Academy at Wilbraham, Mass., for three years. Senator Smith has a wide acquaintance and popularity, and is a most valuable acquisition to the Senate.
Hon. Donald T. Warner

District, No. 19

Hon. Donald T. Warner is a Republican, and represents the Nineteenth District for the first time. He has never before sat in the Legislature, but he has always been a prominent man in the community. He was born in Salisbury, December 15, 1830, and is therefore 44 years of age. He had the advantages of studying law with Judge D. J. Warner, having previously been a student at Salisbury Academy, and in the class of '72 at Trinity College. He was admitted to the bar in 1873. Senator Warner has held many local offices. He has been Judge of Probate for the Salisbury District since January, 1885. From November, 1874, to October, 1885, he was Postmaster of the town. He has also large business connections, being President of the Brook Pit Mining Company, Director of the National Iron Bank, and Treasurer of the Salisbury Cutlery Handle Company. He is still an active practicing lawyer and has a wide acquaintance. His popularity is attested by the fact that he has many friends in the opposite political party who take pleasure in seeing him honored by public trusts.
Hon. Heman O. Averill

District, No. 20

HON. HEMAN O. AVERILL, Senator from the Twentieth District, is a Republican, like the great majority of his colleagues. He has had much political experience and was in the famous deadlock House of 1891, where he maintained the position of his party upon all matters that came before that body. He is a native of Washington, this State, where he was born August 20, 1856, being 38 years of age at the present time. Early he attended the public schools of his neighborhood. Then he went to the academy, and finally entered the scientific department of Oberlin College, from which he graduated with credit. He is held in great respect by his town and district and has been chosen to fill nearly all the local or town offices at one time or another. In all of these he has displayed natural ability of a high order. Senator Averill, who is a practical farmer, takes great pride in the fact that the farm he owns and occupies has never been sold since it was deeded to his lineal ancestor by an Indian chief in 1746.
Hon. Charles E. Chapman, representing the Twenty-first District in the Senate, is a Republican of sterling integrity and wide experience in a business way and in politics. He was born in Westbrook, October 6, 1853, the son of Charles and Dencey Chapman. Common schools of his native town furnished him with the beginnings of his education and the Seabury Institute of Saybrook finished it off. Early in life, or at the age of sixteen years, he became interested in shad fisheries, and until about twelve years ago he continued work in this important branch. In 1883 he became a farmer and has been one of the most successful in Southern Connecticut. The people of Senator Chapman’s town chose him to many local offices and in 1889 sent him to the Legislature, where he was a member of the Committee on Insurance and also Clerk of the Committee on Claims. In 1891, the deadlock Legislature, he was House Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries. During his eventful session he was one of the stanch defenders of his party’s principles. Senator Chapman is married and has nine children, his wife’s maiden name being Miss Ella Dee. Since 1889 the Senator has been a director of the Saybrook Bank. During the present session of the General Assembly Senator Chapman has filled the position of Senate chairman on the Fishery Committee, being very much interested in the stocking of the rivers and streams of the State with food fish for the benefit of its people, also the cultivation of shell fish along the southern borders of the State.
Hon. Thomas R. Pickering, of Portland, who represented the Twenty-second District, but who died on February 21, 1895, a few weeks after taking his seat, was one of the most widely-known men in either house. He had been before the people for years, not only as a successful manufacturer, but as a public man. He ably represented the United States at international exhibitions at Paris, Vienna and Australia, and in all these relations had been warmly commended both officially and in private. His executive ability, which led him to be so successful as a manufacturer, had likewise made him eminent in all his public duties.

Senator Pickering was born in England in 1831, and was therefore 63 years of age. He came early to this country and located in New York City, where he studied in the public schools and Mechanics' Institute. He was educated as a mechanical engineer, and coming to Portland founded a business that has for years been widely known. It is the Pickering Governor Company, of which he was president. He never sat in the Legislature before, nor held many of the local offices, but his abundant experience made him one of the notable members of the Senate. He was a Republican.
Hon. JOHN M. DOUGLAS
DISTRICT, NO. 22

Hon. John M. Douglas, elected to fill the place of Senator Thos. R. Pickering (deceased), of the Twenty-second District, was born in Norwich, Conn., Feb. 6, 1839. When only a few months old his father, Benjamin Douglas, came to this city, and with his brother founded the W. & B. Douglas Pump Works. Benjamin Douglas was Lieutenant-Governor under Governor Buckingham during the war period.

John M. Douglas was educated in the public schools of Middletown, and in 1857 graduated from the then famous Chase school of this town. In the following year he entered business at the pump works and in 1868 was elected secretary and treasurer of the Corporation. Upon the death of Benjamin Douglas last year he was elected president of the company and still holds the offices of secretary and treasurer. He was also elected Vice-President of the Air Line Railroad on its completion in 1871. Mr. Douglas has always called himself a business man and has never sought political honors. He was, however, elected to the Republican town committee as soon as he was 21 years old and has held various political honors since that time. In 1861 he was elected to the lower branch of the Legislature, the youngest member of the house in that year, and was on the Judiciary Committee. In the following year he was re-elected and served on the Railroad Committee. In 1871 he was elected Senator from this district and was Chairman of the Railroad Committee. He was a member of the National Convention that nominated Hayes, and was a Delegate-at-Large from Connecticut with Henry C. Robinson, Augustus Brandegee and Samuel Fessenden in the convention that nominated Garfield.
Hon. James Pinneo Little, of the Twenty-third District, son of Samuel Little and Clarissa Pinneo, was born in Columbia, December 15, 1841. He is of Colonial descent, Samuel Little being a direct descendant of Thomas Little, who came from Devonshire, England, to Plymouth in 1630, and Clarissa Pinneo being a direct descendant of James Pinneo, who came from France to escape religious persecution about the year 1620.

Senator Little received his education in the common and select schools of the town. He has always resided in his native town, where he has conducted the business of farming, and for the last fourteen years the sale of commercial fertilizers in connection with it, in which enterprise he has built up a substantial business. He has held the various town offices, having been for several years Town Treasurer, six years a member of the Board of Education, several years Town Auditor. He has also served on the Board of Selectmen and Board of Relief. In 1890 he was elected Representative from his town and served through the memorable deadlock session. During that session he was Chairman of the Republican County Caucus and one of the committee appointed by the representatives from his county to act with the County Commissioners in securing plans and estimates for an addition to the jail at Tolland. At the Republican Senatorial Convention for the Twenty-third District, held at Andover in October, 1894, he was nominated for Senator by acclamation, and in November was elected by a majority of over 300. He entered upon his duties as Senator unpledged to any man or measure. In politics Mr. Little has always been a Republican, and where any party measures are concerned will unquestionably vote with that party.

In the present session he is Chairman of the Committee on New Towns and Probate Districts, and also of the Committee on Federal Relations.
Hon. Edward E. Fuller, of Tolland, Senator from the Twenty-fourth District, comes of one of the oldest and most respected families in Connecticut.

His great-grandfather, Deacon Abijah Fuller, of Hampton, had the honor, as the trusted sergeant and friend of General Putnam, of having in charge the fortifying of Bunker Hill the night before the famous battle.

His father, the late Lucius S. Fuller, was one of the leading men of his section, having resided in Tolland since 1816, and having served his town, county and State in various capacities with honor to himself and to his constituents. He was a member of the Legislature from Tolland in 1854; a member of the Senate in 1863 and 1864 from the then old Twentieth District; a delegate to the Republican National Convention that nominated Grant in 1872, and a trustee of the State Hospital for the Insane at Middletown for more than twenty years.

The eldest brother of the present Senator, John B. Fuller, of Tolland, was a member of the Legislature from Tolland in 1878.

His only living brother, Lucius H. Fuller, of Putnam, was a member of the Legislature from Putnam in 1881 and 1882, and the Senator from that district in 1889.

Edward E. Fuller, the present Senator, is a Republican in politics, as was also his father and brothers. He was born in Tolland, May 13, 1853, being therefore now in his 42d year, and has never married.

His early life was spent on a farm, amid the environments of an excellent home, and a good public school system.

Leaving the public schools of his native town he took an academic course, and then entered a business college in Philadelphia, graduating in the spring of 1871. In the fall of that year he entered the office of the Elna Insurance Company of Hartford, where he remained until compelled to resign on account of ill health in January, 1882. In June, 1883, having completely recovered his health, he was, on the death of his brother, John B. Fuller, elected to succeed him as secretary of The Tolland County Mutual Fire Insurance Company, which position he still occupies.

Heretofore Senator Fuller has declined all offers of political preferment, choosing, rather, to devote himself entirely to business, in which he has been very successful. The only political offices which he has ever accepted are those of town auditor and member of the board of education, of the latter of which he is at the present time a member.

For several years he was treasurer and chairman of the Society’s Committee of the Congregational Church of Tolland.

He is a director in various financial institutions, and is also a veteran member of Company K, First Regiment, C. N. G., having been a charter member of the active company at its organization in 1879.

Senator Fuller is very high in Masonry, having taken his 32d degree, and being also a member of the Mystic Shrine.

He is at present Worshipful Master of Fayette Lodge, No. 69; Excellent King of Adoni-ram Chapter, No. 18; and Thrice Illustrious Master of Adoniram Council, No. 14, A. F. and A. M., all of Rockville.

He is also a member of the I. O. of O. F., being at present Vice-Grand of Rising Star Lodge, No. 49, of the same place.

He is chairman of the Committee on Insurance at this session, a position for which he is peculiarly well fitted, having devoted his entire business life of more than twenty years to that occupation. He is also chairman of the Committee on Manual and Roll.

Senator Fuller’s wide business and social acquaintance, the high regard in which he is held by all who know him, and his recognized ability as a sound thinker, logical reasoner, and fluent speaker, make him a most useful and capable legislator, both for his district and for the State.
It may fairly be said that "Sam" FesSENDEN to-day ranks as one of Connecticut's most representative citizens—a leader in the politics of his party, strong with the bar of the State, well known and highly esteemed in every county, with a firm hold on the affections of the people. The reason is not hard to find. Mr. Fessenden is by no means an arrogant man, but is noted for his geniality, loyalty to his friends and public spirit. These traits, and his intimate friendship with James G. Blaine and other great statesmen, have naturally brought him much in touch with national affairs, so that his influence in Washington is already very considerable and has steadily increased.

The subject of this sketch comes of a family long distinguished for its ability, legislative experience and patriotism. William Pitt Fessenden, of Maine, Speaker Fessenden's uncle, made a record as Senator so active and useful during the war and trying period of Reconstruction, that his services are to this day gratefully remembered by his constituency and many outside of it, who are fond of recalling his noble appearance and dignified bearing, oratorical ability and remarkable powers of hard work. Samuel Fessenden's father—the late Hon. Samuel C. Fessenden—and his uncle—the late Hon. Thomas A. Fessenden—were both members of Congress from Maine, and made excellent records for themselves and the people of their respective districts.

Samuel Fessenden, the subject of this sketch, was born in Maine, in the town of
Rockland, on April 12, 1847. The stock from which he comes, however, was among the oldest and most distinguished in Windham County and indeed, in old-time Connecticut. His mother was Miss Mary Abigail Grosvenor Abbe, whose ancestry, through Joshua, Phineas, Ebenezer and Samuel Abbe, is prominently and honorably connected with the history of the historic towns of Windham and Pomfret. Mr. Fessenden was fitting himself for college, at Lewiston Academy, when the war broke out. Young Fessenden was too vigorous and brave a boy not to respond at once to his country's call of duty. He promptly resigned his collegiate ambitions, when only sixteen, to enlist as a private in the Seventh Maine Battery, and he afterward did faithful service under Grant in the campaigns of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Cold Harbor and Petersburg.

General Grant thought so well of him that he recommended his appointment as first lieutenant and then captain in the Second U. S. Infantry. But young Mr. Fessenden believed he could render better service by remaining in the artillery. He therefore modestly declined promotion in the regulars and joined the First Maine Battery. Afterward he was placed on General Howe's staff and remained with him till the troops were mustered out in 1863.

Undaunted by the length of time he had been obliged to forego his classical and legal studies, Mr. Fessenden applied himself with such good effect that he was admitted to the Harvard Law School, from which he was graduated in 1869, with promise of that ability as a lawyer which has characterized him ever since. He was admitted to the Fairfield County bar (his family having in the meantime moved from Maine to Stamford), and soon became a member of the leading law firm of Ferris & Child. No one questions his solid attainments in the underlying principles of his profession, but as a pleader and jury lawyer Mr. Fessenden's success has been little short of phenomenal. His tact, perseverance, acquaintance, personal magnetism, oratorical ability and knowledge of human nature, have combined to win him a reputation and secure him a fortune among the highest enjoyed by any lawyers in the State. As State's attorney he has always been painstaking in the discharge of all the duties intrusted to his charge, and as a representative of important private interests, he has repeatedly won big victories against great odds and with entire honor to himself.

It is natural that a man of Mr. Fessenden's active temperament and varied talents should be drawn into current politics. His honors have, however, come to him unsolicited, rather than from any personal effort on his part. When a young man, only 27 years of age, he was returned to the General Assembly as Representative from Stamford, and at once made his mark as a member of the Judiciary Committee and leader in a Legislature containing many prominent men. Those who are judges of eloquence are fond of recalling his brilliant speeches. While on the floor of the House none of his colleagues, perhaps, equaled young Mr. Fessenden in personal popularity and practical influence. The same success on a larger scale was repeated in 1879, when he was again returned to the House of Representatives and fairly divided the honors of leadership with the Hon. Henry C. Robinson, of Hartford.

In 1872, Governor Jewell, whose intimate personal friend he was and continued to be, appointed Samuel Fessenden as Judge-Advocate General of the Fourth regimental district of the Connecticut National Guard.

Entering the arena of national politics Mr. Fessenden was appointed a delegate in 1876 to the convention of the Republican party in Cincinnati, which, after an exciting discussion, finally nominated Rutherford B. Hayes for President. He was also
a delegate to the convention of the party in 1880.

In 1884 Samuel Fessenden was once more a delegate, and was afterward urged by Mr. Blaine and other great leaders of the party to accept the secretaryship of the Republican National Committee, and did so, winning a host of new friends from all over the country for his superior executive ability, far sightedness and untiring zeal. He is still a member of this committee for the State of Connecticut, and for real influence is not outranked by any of his distinguished colleagues.

Mr. Fessenden leads both a busy and a happy life with his family at Stamford. His law offices are commodious and his residence is charmingly located. Hospitality seems to be his motto, and he is equally cordial in manner to the most prominent citizens and humble visitors.

Mr. Fessenden married Miss Helen M. Davenport, of Stamford, daughter of Theodore and Harriet (Grant Chesbrough) Davenport, a direct descendant of Rev. John Davenport, "the founder and patriarch of New Haven," and of Abraham Davenport, her great-grandfather, born in Stamford in 1815, who opposed adjournment of the Legislature on the famous dark day, the 19th of May, 1780, and ordered candles to be brought when it was supposed that the end of the world was at hand, "On the ground that the Day of Judgment was either at hand or it was not. If it is not, then it is no cause for an adjournment; if it is, I choose to be found doing my duty," which incident has been graphically described in verse by Whittier in his famous poem, "Tent on the Beach."

The campaign just closed furnished new and convincing proof of Speaker Fessenden's wide popularity. He was returned for the third time as member from Stamford, at the November election of 1894, by the largest majority ever given to him or any other resident of that town for any elective office, and was at once nominated for Speaker by many of the leading newspapers of the State. Though other candidates at first appeared in the field, one by one they all withdrew in his favor until on the night of the caucus he was nominated by acclamation, each one of his former leading opponents paying the highest tributes in his favor. In his election to the Speakership, he received the unanimous vote of his party.

Such a brilliant and spontaneous compliment is one of which any politician and his friends may justly be proud and on which they are justified in basing their hopes and expectations for the future. Speaker Fessenden's name has several times in recent years been prominently mentioned throughout the State in connection with the Senate of the United States, but so far always without his own consent. Judging by his past, it is safe to say that whatever may be his decision, it will be based on conservatism, a fair regard for the claims of others, and a profound regard for the welfare of Connecticut.
WILLIAM H. WATROUS

WILLIAM H. WATROUS is one of the leading business men of Hartford and of Connecticut. He was born in Hartford, July 18, 1841, educated in the Arsenal school and attended the Hartford High school for two years. At the age of 14 he began to learn the trade of electroplating in the factory of his uncles, Rogers Brothers, the buildings now owned and occupied by the Jewell Belting Company. In 1861 he was among the first to enlist in Rifle Company A, First Regiment, C. V., and served under Senator Hawley. In 1862 he was made First Sergeant of Company B, Twenty-fourth Regiment, C. V., and was afterward promoted to Second Lieutenant of the company. After the war he returned to his business, and in 1870 founded the Rogers Cutlery Company with his uncle, Asa H. Rogers. Soon after Mr. Rogers withdrew and in 1879 he purchased one-half the stock of the William Rogers Manufacturing Company and became President, Treasurer and General Manager of both companies, in which positions he has since continued. These companies employ 150 hands and sell over $600,000 worth of goods per year. He is also sole owner and proprietor of the Norwich Cutlery Company, and has lately become interested in the Eagle Sterling Company of Naubuc, manufacturing solid silverware. He is a Republican, but never held office till elected Alderman last year.
Robert W. Barrett is a native of Enfield, Conn., and 45 years of age. After an education in the common schools he came to this city and for a long time he has been at the head of the well-known firm of contractors and builders, Barrett Brothers, on Trumbull street. Mr. Barrett is an active member of the Democratic party in Hartford, and has served in the city government as Councilman and Alderman. He is at present an Alderman from the Seventh Ward.
CHARLES F. FROIDEVAUX

Charles F. Froidevaux, of Avon, is one of the young members of the House and of the Republican party. He was born at Collinsville, April 4, 1867, and attended public school in Avon. Later he took a course in the Collinsville high school. He is a good German scholar and now holds the office of School Committee for the Sixth Avon District. He went to work for the Collins Company in 1884 and in 1887 entered the machine department of that company where he is at present employed. He is a popular man, a member of Village Lodge, No. 29, F. and A. M., and of Humboldt Lodge, No. 417, D. O. H.
WILLIS H. UPSON

Willis H. Upson, of Berlin, was born in Kensington, this State, March 29, 1858, brought up on a farm and educated in the common schools and in Prof. Camp's Seminary in New Britain.

He is Treasurer of the Berlin Savings Bank, and is also engaged in mercantile business. Mr. Upson was Postmaster in Kensington for five years prior to September, 1893. He is a Republican, and received the largest majority in years, if not the largest majority ever given, in his town for a member of the Legislature.

Mr. Upson was married in 1883 to Miss Clara Warner, daughter of Erastus W. Warner, of Walcott, and they have three children, Harold, aged nine; Warren, seven, and Lura, aged four. The Upson family has always been closely identified with the history of Walcott (formerly Farmington and afterward Southington), where its members have been universally esteemed and respected, being prominent in all enterprises looking to the improvement and best interests of their town. Mr. Upson is a descendant of Thomas Upson, who lived in Hartford in 1638, and was an original settler and proprietor of Farmington. Stephen Upson, son of Thomas, is spoken of as "one of the Committee to settle bounds with Woodbury in April, 1702," and held most of the town offices, being a very public-spirited and active man in the community.
George D. Gabb, of Bloomfield, is one of the Democratic members, and was born in that town Aug. 18, 1845, where he received a common-school education. He carries on the business of manufacturing cigars. He has built up an excellent business. Mr. Gabb is a popular member of several secret societies and an active member of the important Committee on Railroads, also of the Committee on Contingent Expenses.
George Harris Hall is a native of Bristol, and represents the place of his birth in the Assembly. He is forty years of age and was educated in the common schools. He has been with J. H. Sessions & Son for twenty-four years, the last fourteen years as a contractor. He has been an active Republican and useful citizen: for nine years chief of the fire department, three years tax collector and two years fire commissioner. He was re-elected to the latter position last October for three years.

Mr. Hall has the honor of receiving the largest majority vote ever given to a representative from his town.

He has been a member of the Town Committee for the past nine years.
Charles A. Reynolds, of Bristol, is a Republican, 57 years old and a native of Winsted, where he was educated in the public schools.

At the breaking out of the war he enlisted in the Nineteenth Connecticut Volunteer Infantry, afterward changed to the Second Connecticut Heavy Artillery, as a private, and was with his regiment in every engagement in which they were called to participate, with one exception. At the battle of Winchester, September 19, 1864, he was promoted to Second Lieutenant, and soon after received a First Lieutenant's commission. He was discharged, with the rest of his regiment, at Fort Ethan Allen, Va., August 18, 1865.

At the close of the war he came to Forestville and entered the employ of the E. N. Welch Manufacturing Company, remaining with them to the present time. Mr. Reynolds served one term as Selectman, one term as Assessor and was Registrar of Electors in Second District for a period of ten years. Mr. Reynolds was also a charter member of Manross Post, G. A. R., and its Commander for one term.

Mr. Reynolds' first vote was cast for Governor Buckingham, and his second for Lincoln.

From that time to this he has voted the Republican ticket only. He received the largest majority ever given to a candidate in the Second voting district of Bristol.
Sereno Alderman, of Burlington, the subject of this sketch, was born in Burlington, July 10, 1853, and is therefore 41 years of age. He comes of a family that has lived in Burlington for three generations and previous to that for a generation or two in Granby, so it can be said that he comes of good old New England stock. Mr. Alderman was educated in the common schools of his native town, and at an early age commenced life for himself, and has been successful in his chosen occupation, that of farming. He has held the offices of Assessor, First Selectman, and is at present a member of the Board of Selectmen. Always a Republican when running for office, he has been elected in a town which gives 70 Democratic majority in a total vote of 275. These figures show what is thought of Mr. Alderman in his own home town. His family consists of a wife, whom he married in New Haven in 1880, her name being Miss Rosa Sarsel. In the Legislature of 1895, Mr. Alderman served on the Committee on Woman Suffrage, was regular in his attendance, and at all times looked carefully after the interests of his constituents.
Charles W. Roberts, of East Hartford, was born in that town fifty-four years ago, and is probably better known to its citizens than any other resident, as he has been prominent in public affairs for a quarter of a century, and honored with the principal offices in the gift of his townsfolk. His boyhood and youth were spent on the farm, and soon after attaining his majority he became interested in politics, his well-balanced mind, his readiness in grasping questions of public interest and need, and his many other admirable qualities of mind and heart all contributed to make him a forceful character in the political life of his section.

For some years he was a Republican, but in 1875 he became a Democrat.

Mr. Roberts has been a Selectman of East Hartford for several terms since 1872, filling that office at the present time. Notable among his work is the improvement of the main streets, the macadamizing being largely due to his efforts, as may also be said of the work on town bridges and the placing upon the State of the maintenance of the Hartford Bridge.

He has also served as Town Auditor, Town Treasurer, and, since 1882, has been almost continuously in the Legislature, his peculiar aptitude for the work leading to his appointment on the Bridge Commission.

Mr. Roberts is a member of only one society, the grange of which he has been Master and Secretary. He was a member of Thomas H. Seymour Lodge, Knights of Honor, while that organization was in existence.

In 1861 he married Adelaide L., daughter of Ashbel Brewer. Three children have been born to them, one of whom is living.
Samuel J. Allen, of East Windsor, is a native of East Windsor, and 51 years old. His education was completed in the Westfield Academy, Westfield, Mass., and at Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie. He has been Postmaster at Melrose since February, 1888, but resigned December 1, 1894. Farming is his business. In politics he is a Democrat.
CHARLES C. GEORGIA

Charles C. Georgia, of Farmington, was born in Unionville, December 22, 1854, and since leaving school has been associated with his father in the general merchandise business established by him over thirty-five years ago. He was Postmaster under President Harrison from June, 1890, to October, 1894, having held over his time from June to October.

Mr. Georgia is much interested in Masonic affairs, and is a member of Evening Star Lodge, No. 101, A. F. & A. M., Washington Commandery Knights Templar of Hartford, and a thirty-second degree Mason, also a member of Pyramid Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and a charter member of Agenda Lodge, No. 31, K. of P.

He is a member of the Committee on Fisheries, being an ardent disciple of Izaak Walton, and never misses a meeting of that Committee.
JOHN P. LEWIS

JOHN P. LEWIS, of Farmington, was born in Winsted, this State, November 23, 1836, and was educated in the common schools of those days.

He has been in the farming and lumber business for a long time, and has held many public offices of trust, acting as Selectman, Justice of the Peace, Assessor, etc., now being Chairman of the Board of Assessors.

He has served as Appraiser of Estates for the Probate Courts of Farmington and Bristol; has also served as Appraiser in foreclosure proceedings for the different saving banks in this vicinity, and was appointed Chairman of the Commission by the Superior Court to adjust the land damages between the Bristol Water Company and parties owning land in Bristol, Plymouth, etc. He was connected with the Standard Rule Co., and was a director in several corporations in Unionville.

He was a member in the Legislature of '76, and served on the committee for the new Capitol Building.

He is a strong and active Democrat.
DAVID W. WILLIAMS

DAVID W. WILLIAMS, of Glastonbury, was born in the town which he now represents on April 12, 1853. His school life differed but little from that of many New England boys, attending the district school and academy, and in 1873 entered the Scientific Department of Yale College, where he remained three years, ill health compelling him to leave. Since 1876 he has been associated with his father’s firm, the J. B. Williams Co., one of the largest and oldest manufacturers of shaving soaps in the world, being at present vice-president and superintendent of that company.

Mr. Williams has always been a strong Republican, and has held the office of President of the Glastonbury Republican Club for six years past. He was a member of the House in 1893, serving on the Committee on Education.

The name Williams is an old one, probably of Welsh origin, though the first of this family to emigrate to this country was Robert Williams, of Norwich, England, who settled in Roxbury, Mass., and was made a freeman in 1638. From this the line comes down through Capt. Isaac Williams, who settled in Newton, Mass. William Williams, of Lebanon, was a member of the Continental Congress, and as such signed the Declaration of Independence. Rev. Elisha Williams was for thirteen years president of Yale College.

The family history forms one of the most interesting in New England. The old homestead in Lebanon, built in 1710, is still standing and in good repair.

It is one of the noted homes in that old historic town. James Baker Williams, father of the subject of this sketch, is still living and active in business.
CLINTON L. LOVELAND

CLINTON L. LOVELAND, of Glastonbury, was born in the town he represents Nov. 23, 1847, and is therefore 47 years of age. He attended the public schools and finished his education at the Wilbraham Academy. In 1891 and 1892 he was a member of the Board of Relief. His business is paper making and farming, in both of which he has been very successful. He is a Republican.
WILLIAM COATES CHENEY

William Coates Cheney, of Manchester, one of the youngest members of the House, having been born at South Manchester December 3, 1864. He received a High School education. He is an active Republican and member of the Town Committee. He is also popular in military circles, having served an enlistment in Company K, First Regiment, C. N. G., also as Paymaster of that regiment, and at present is Inspector of Small Arms Practice on the staff of Colonel Burdette.

In business Mr. Cheney is associated with the silk manufacturing firm of Cheney Bros., of South Manchester.
FRANCIS H. WHITON

Francis H. Whiton, of Manchester, is a physician; was born in Mansfield, Conn., May 16, 1846. He was educated at the public schools and by private tutors. He taught school six years. After attending the Harvard Medical School for two years he spent a year at the Dartmouth Medical College, where he graduated November 1, 1871. He practiced in a New York Hospital for two years and then went to Manchester in November, 1873, where he has been in active practice ever since, except last year, when he went abroad. He was a member of the Board of Education in Mansfield, and is Chairman of the Board of Health in Manchester.

On May 17, 1876, Dr. Whiton married Mary Elizabeth, only daughter of Geo. W. Loomis, of Portsmouth, N. H.

A gentleman of fine social qualities, and standing high in his profession, Dr. Whiton is universally esteemed and admired.
HIRAM E. HODGE

HIRAM E. HODGE, of Marlboro, one of the Democratic members, is a native of Glastonbury, and forty-three years of age. He received a common-school education, and is engaged in farming, though he was formerly a stone mason. Mr. Hodge holds the office of Second Selectman, and was Town Auditor in 1892 and '93.

He moved from Glastonbury, where the name of Hodge is an old and well-known one, to Chatham, and thence to Marlboro, about seven years.
WM. G. KINLOCK

WM. G. KINLOCK, of New Britain, is fifty-eight years old and a native of New York City, his parents having emigrated to that city from Scotland.

He received a common-school education. In the war he was a Sergeant in the First Conn. Volunteers, afterward Lieutenant of Co. G, Sixth Connecticut Volunteers. Mr. Kinlock has been connected with the Stanley Rule and Level Co. since 1853, and is a contractor and rule maker.

Though always deeply interested in local and State politics, Mr. Kinlock has never been a seeker after office.
Frank E. Holmes, of Rocky Hill, was born in that town, July 7, 1861. He was educated in the district common school. Mr. Holmes has held for some time, and now holds, the office of Registrar of Votes and Constable, and is a member of the Town Committee, also being a member on joint rules in the House of Representatives. In business life Mr. Holmes is connected with Maltby, Henley & Co., manufacturers of hollow ware and hardware at Rocky Hill. He is a very loyal Republican.
EDWARD HAMILTON BROCKETT

Edward Hamilton Brockett, of Simsbury, son of James and Evelyn Brockett, who represented the town of Simsbury in 1871, was born in Simsbury June 9, 1854. He is a descendant of one of the first settlers of that place who came over from England prior to 1643. Three of his ancestors served in the Revolutionary War. He was educated in the common and select schools. Since 1890 has been a director in the Avon Creamery Company. For two years, 1891 and 1892, he was Chairman of the Board of Relief, and is at present a member of the Board. Mr. Brockett is a successful farmer and a staunch Republican, and received the largest vote and majority ever cast in his town for Representative. He has recently been elected Treasurer of Advance Grange, No. 22, Patrons of Husbandry, for three years.
Charles Hull Clark, of Southington, was born in that town October 23, 1832; was educated in the common schools and at Lewis' Academy in Southington.

In 1854, in company with his two older brothers, he engaged in the manufacture of bolts and carriage hardware under the firm name of Wm. J. Clark & Co., located in Southington, District of Milldale, and was superintendent of the factory until 1862, when he enlisted in the Twentieth Connecticut Volunteers, serving until the fall of '64; during the last year of service was Lieutenant on staff of Colonel James Wood, who commanded the Third Brigade, Third Division, Twentieth Army Corps, in front of Atlanta. On his return home he again resumed active duty at the factory of Wm. J. Clark & Co., when in 1871 the name of the firm was changed, by the retirement of Wm. J. Clark, to Clark Bros. & Co., by which the manufactory is known at the present time, Mr. Clark continuing to superintend the works until 1882.

For several years he has been frequently elected on the Board of Assessors and of Relief in his town, and at present is a director in both the Southington National and the Southington Savings Banks.

In politics he has always been an enthusiastic Republican.
PHILIP WADSWORTH

PHILIP WADSWORTH, of Suffield, while much of his business life has been in Illinois, is a native of New Hartford and a son of Tertius Wadsworth, who came to Hartford many years ago, and who lived on Pearl street, near Main, and died in 1872. Mr. Wadsworth's early education was in private schools in Hartford. He attended Williston Seminary two years and the Connecticut Literary Institution one year. He went to Chicago, where for many years he was a merchant. He was first Assessor of Internal Revenue for the First District of Illinois under President Lincoln, and Collector of Internal Revenue for the same district under President Grant. He was also appointed by the Legislature of Illinois one of the Commissioners for building the new State House at Springfield, Ill., in the early sixties. At one time he was General Superintendent of the Chicago, Evanston and Lake Superior Railroad, afterwards consolidated with the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul. After retiring from business in Chicago he went to Suffield and settled in 1889. He is 60 years old and a Republican.

Mr. Wadsworth is a prominent and active member of the House and a member of the Cities and Boroughs Committee, which has many important matters before it. He is also Chairman of the Committee on the Putnam Memorial Camp.
Dwight S. Fuller, of Suffield, is a native of Suffield, 57 years of age, a son of the late Joseph Fuller, who was largely known in insurance and other business circles, and a brother of Dr. Fuller, of Hartford. He was educated in the public schools and the Connecticut Literary Institution. He is a member of the First Congregational Church, also of the choir, with which he has been identified for more than forty years. He is one of Suffield's prosperous men and prominent in many local affairs, owning a large farm and carrying on an extensive business in buying and packing tobacco. He is a director in the Towne-Fuller Co., of Westfield, one of the largest cigar manufacturing concerns in Western Massachusetts; is also a director in the Suffield Public Library. He has always acted with the Republicans and is a member of the Committee on Humane Institutions in the present Legislature.
ADOLPH C. STERNBERG

Adolph C. Sternberg, of West Hartford, was born in Germany, August 5, 1839, came to this country in early childhood, and received an academic education in this country. His father was a lawyer in Germany and left his home and profession to enjoy the privileges of our free institutions. Mr. Sternberg is one of West Hartford's active business men, a farmer, fruit grower, tobacco packer and dealer in agricultural implements. He is an Acting School Visitor, Justice of the Peace, Peach Yellows Commissioner and President of the Village Improvement Society. Mr. Sternberg is greatly interested in the subject of good roads, having initiated the comprehensive road improvements in West Hartford, investing $60,000 in macadamizing its principal thoroughfares, and is now Chairman of Committee on Roads and Bridges. He has been invited by several towns in the State to speak on the subject of good roads and has had the satisfaction of seeing many improvements in roadmaking as a consequence. He is an active member and Treasurer of the West Hartford Congregational Church. Five of his brothers served in the Union army. He is always a Republican.
Charles T. Welch, of Windsor, was born in the town of Windsor, Conn., April 6, 1858, and received a common-school education; at the age of twenty-one he entered the employ of Mr. D. W. Phelps, a leading merchant of Windsor, as Assistant Postmaster and Bookkeeper.

In 1885 he accepted a position with The American Writing Machine Company, manufacturers of the Caligraph Typewriter, as Paymaster and clerk, which position he has held ever since. He was also at one time a member of the firm of Clark & Welch, grocery dealers in Windsor; was Agent of Adams Express Company, and is a prominent Mason, being an officer in Washington Lodge, No. 70, A. F. and A. M.

Mr. Welch has always voted the straight Republican ticket, and at the last election received the largest majority ever polled in the town.

He has always been a resident of Windsor, as were his ancestors for the last two hundred and fifty years. His great grandfather served in the Revolutionary War, and his grandfather in the war of 1812. His father represented the town in the Legislature of 1837, and his brother, E. A. Welch, in 1889.
JOHN A. DUBON

JOHN A. DUBON, of Windsor, was born of German parents in New York City, March 19, 1844, and received his education in the public schools. When the war broke out he enlisted as a private in the Third New York Light Artillery, and is now an active member of Converse Post, No. 67, G. A. R., of Windsor Locks. His early life was spent on a farm and, on removing to Windsor, twenty-two years ago, he engaged as a farm hand. To become the possessor of an interest in the soil was the great dream of his life, and with his untiring energy, industry, and perseverance it took him but a few years to become the owner of a small farm. By his thrift and economy he was enabled, some years afterward, to add to his possessions, so that he now owns one of the most substantial farm properties in the town of Windsor. From the first he made a specialty in improving the quality of leaf tobacco, and with such success that his product not alone commands high prices, but that when the Connecticut Tobacco Experiment Company was formed he was chosen as one of its executive committee and superintendent of the experiments, positions which he still holds. In the present General Assembly his ability and efficiency was recognized in being chosen from among twenty farmers in Hartford County to serve on the important Committee on Agriculture. Though not possessed of a collegiate or academic education, he has always taken a lively interest in the educational matters of his town; has been one of the strongest advocates for the establishment of its high schools, and has for many years acted as school committee. He has also served on the board of relief for several terms to the satisfaction of his fellow-citizens. Mr. Dubon is now in independent circumstances, but his prosperity can in no way be attributed to any element of luck, but to hard work, fidelity to principle, and strict integrity. In politics he is a stalwart Republican.
More than two hundred years ago a Holbrook came over from Derby, England, and settled at Milford, Conn. Later Derby, Conn., was named by them, and there they lived until early in the present century. A hundred years ago Col. Holbrook married a daughter of Parson Swift. Their son Josiah was a good deal of an enthusiast, and did much for the cause of common schools. He moved to Ohio about 1840, and settled in Berea, where his son Dwight married, and there Charless W., the subject of this sketch, now Representative from Windsor Locks, was born.

Mr. Holbrook, therefore, comes from good, solid stock, and is known as a man of sound, hard sense, well-fitted to care for the interests of his town in the Legislature. He has been described as "one of the forty-six immortals who were plucked as brands from the burning in the political conflagration of 1894," which means that he is loyal to the Democratic party.
Howard L. Sandborn was born in Collinsville, September 30, 1855, and attended the graded school in that place till seventeen years of age. He has been town clerk since 1886 and tax collector since 1893. While a tinsmith by trade, he has since 1885 been engaged in the lumber business and general building. In politics he is a Republican.

George Edmund Bidwell is a native of Canton Centre thirty-five years old. He completed his education at the Connecticut Literary Institution at Suffield and at Hannum's Business College. His business is farming. He is a Republican.

Franklin H. Mayberry was born in Casco, Maine, thirty-five years ago. He graduated from the University of Vermont in 1885 and adopted the profession of a physician. Besides his successful practice in East Hartford he is health officer and examiner for several life insurance companies, including the Equitable and Aetna. He is active in school matters, a member of the High School Committee and acting school visitor.

George Wylie Miller was born in Paisley, Scotland, fifty-three years ago. He attended the common schools till twelve years of age. By trade he is a machinist and in politics a Democrat.

John Middleton was a member of the Legislature of 1833-4 and is one of Enfield's prominent and much esteemed men. He is a self-made man, born in County Sligo, Ireland, and is thirty-three years old. Receiving an education in the schools of Ireland, he was a short time at Dublin University, but he left it to come to this country. He has been a resident of Enfield for many years; here he has been justice of the peace, a member of the board of relief. He has a large farm, and also deals in lumber and is a large contractor. He also owns a general merchandise store. He is a Republican and a director in the Connecticut Central Railroad.

Jesse W. Ruck is a native of Granby, forty years old, a graduate of the Wilbraham Academy. He is a farmer and has been an assessor of Granby for ten years. An active Republican, he will always act with his party on party questions.

Columbus Reed is engaged in a mercantile and farming business. He was born in West Granby, fifty-six years ago, where he received a common school education. He has been on the School Committee and was selectman of Granby for three years. He is a Republican.

Carlton E. Osborn was born in New Hartford, February 12, 1867, and is therefore one of the younger members of the House. He is a graduate of Wesleyan Academy at Wilbraham, and is a farmer by occupation and a Democrat in politics.

John H. Wheeler was born in Delaware County, N. Y., September 14, 1855. He is a Republican and has served three terms as a selectman. He is engaged in farming.

George T. Finch was born in Penn Yan, N. Y., June 28, 1854. He graduated from Hobart College, Geneva, in 1875, and became a physician. He has been active in school matters and has been acting school visitor for about twelve years. He is an active Republican.

Andrew Turnbull was born in Paisley, Scotland, sixty-two years ago, landed in this country in 1840 and has always been a Republican. He received a common school education and became a scale maker. He is now a pattern maker. Twice he has been a member of the New Britain Common Council.

Arlan Pratt Francis is a Newington man by birth, and is now thirty-six years old. He is a graduate of the Hartford High School, class of 1877. He has held the office of collector of taxes in his town and is at present an assessor. His business is farming and his politics thoroughly Republican.

Willis J. Hemingway was born in Plymouth, Conn., October 16, 1834, and was educated in the common schools. He is a merchant and holds the office of tax collector, having been recently elected for another year. He has been a member of the board of fire commissioners for many years, and of the Republican Town Committee for several years.

Samuel Whitehead, Republican, is a native of Simsbury and will be fifty-one years old January 8. He was educated in the common schools, and for thirty years has been an engineer and machinist. He is now an assessor in his town and has been for the past four years.

Levi Eugene Southworth was born in Ravenna, Ohio, thirty-seven years ago and educated in the common schools. He is a druggist and secretary and general manager of the Southington and Plantsville Tramway Company. In politics he is a Republican.

Ransom M. Burnham was born in Hartford and is forty-five years old. He received a common school education. He has an extensive business in mining, stock raising and farming, and for some time has been constable and tax collector for his town. He is a Republican.

Elizer S. Goodrich is a native of Wethersfield, and is fifty-nine years of age. He was educated in the district and high schools of Wethersfield and at Williston Seminary, Easthampton, Mass. Mr. Goodrich has never before held political office, but for a long time has been president of the Hartford Street Railway Company and its active manager. He is well-known among the street railway men of the country. In politics he is a Republican.

Francis H. Robbins is a native of Wethersfield and is fifty-one years of age. He was educated by a private tutor and received a further education at the high school. He has held the office of assessor in his town since 1884, and has been a member of the board of relief. He is engaged in farming and is a Republican.
HENRY GLEASON NEWTON

HENRY GLEASON NEWTON, of New Haven, was born at Durham, June 5, 1843. He received his education at the Quarry School, the Durham Academy, Wesleyan University and the Yale Law School, to which should be added the Durham Lyceum and Dwight Union Debating Club. He graduated from Wesleyan in 1870, and from the Law School in 1872.

Mr. Newton was a farmer until twenty-four years of age. Since 1872 he has practiced law in New Haven with much success. He has been a regular attendant at church both in his youth and in his riper years. He has voted at every election since he was of age, and has faithfully attended all town meetings, school meetings and caucuses. He has favored measures for the advancement of education and temperance. He was Acting School Visitor in Durham for ten years, and is a director in various corporations.

In 1885 Mr. Newton was a member of the House of Representatives from Durham and became House Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, in which capacity he did good and effective work. He is this year a member of the House from New Haven, and House Chairman of the Committee on Humane Institutions, in which capacity he will endeavor to carry into effect the recommendations of the State Board of Charities. He is a Republican because he believes in the party's principles.
LEWIS ELLIOTT

Lewis Elliott is a business man who has been very intimately connected with the rubber trade. He had his first experience in that line in 1850. He was born in Portsmouth, November 17, 1823. He received a common-school education. For forty-three years, until December, 1890, he was Superintendent of L. Candee & Co., rubber boot and shoe manufacturers. He has served as a Fire Commissioner in New Haven for sixteen years, and has been a member of the Common Council. He says he is a “Republican always.” He is a member of the Committee on Manufactures.
GEORGE H. COWELL

GEORGE H. COWELL, of Waterbury, is a lawyer. He was fitted for college at the Waterbury High School and at Wesleyan Academy, Wilbraham, Mass. He graduated from Yale in 1868 and the Columbia Law School in 1869. He was born in the city that he now represents in the Legislature, March 25, 1840. He was First Lieutenant of Company A, Second Regiment, C. N. G., 1870 to 1875. Judge Cowell has had much legislative experience, having been Assistant Clerk of the House in 1871, Clerk in 1872 and Clerk of the Senate in 1873. He was Chief Clerk of the Post Office Department at Washington 1875-76. Judge Cowell gets his title from having been Judge of the Police and District Courts of Waterbury. He will be a leading participant in the debates of the House. He was for four years an Alderman and has held numerous local offices. Judge Cowell is a director in the West Side Savings Bank and the Watertown Savings Bank.

He is a great believer in fraternity exemplified by benevolent secret societies. He was Grand Master of Connecticut Odd Fellows in 1891, and was largely instrumental in establishing the Odd Fellows' Home in Groton, contributing the first $500 for its purchase. He has been a member of the Supreme Lodge of three of the fraternal orders and at the head of the subordinate and Grand Lodges of some of the others. Judge Cowell is at present a member of Knights Templar, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Red Men, Good Fellows, Heptasophs, Royal Arcanum, and Sons of the American Revolution.

As an active Republican he was for six years Chairman of the Waterbury Town Committee, and for four years on the State Central Committee.
Warren L. Hall, of Waterbury, was born in the town of Cheshire, Conn., May 21st, 1856. He received a good High School education, and at twenty-one entered the mercantile house of the late Henry J. Johnson, of Hartford, as traveling salesman, making many friends, and building up a first-class reputation.

After five years of successful business with this house, Mr. Hall engaged in the wholesale produce and fruit business in New York, continuing therein until 1886, when he established in Waterbury the first wholesale grocery and produce house of that city.

This business Mr. Hall still carries on, giving employment to a large force.

On December 16th, 1881, Mr. Hall was married to Miss Esther L. Andrew, daughter of Mr. S. W. Andrew, of Naugatuck, Conn. Two children, Lamont Andrew, and Beatrice Amelia, have come to brighten their home.

Mr. Hall is largely interested in building and loan associations, and is a trustee of the Cooperative Savings Society of Hartford, also president of the local board at Waterbury, of the Co-operative Building Bank of New York.

He is Vice-President of the Waterbury Board of Trade, and was Secretary of the Board during 1894.

Mr. Hall served the city of Waterbury as Councilman in 1894, and was re-elected to the same office for the present year.

He is an ardent Republican, but not a politician, being fearless of offending rings or floating politicians, always ready to promote the best legislation irrespective of party lines.
REUBEN H. TUCKER

Reuben H. Tucker, of Ansonia, has had many honors. He was Warden of the Borough of Ansonia for six terms, Town Clerk of Derby and Ansonia ten years, Justice of the Peace for twelve years, and is at present one of the Assessors of the city of Ansonia. He has been School and Borough Collector, served one year as Burgess, and two as Borough Clerk. He has been a public official for the past eleven years continuously. A man of such experience will doubtless take easily to the duties that will fall upon him as a member of the Legislature. He is a Republican and a "staunch" one. Ansonia, that now honors him by intrusting its affairs to his representation in the House, is his birthplace. He was born in August, 1847, his being the first recorded male birth in the town after it was named by its founder, Anson G. Phelps, for whom it was named. He was educated at the common schools, but had the additional advantage of a commercial course. The Masonic fraternity, like his native town, has conferred upon him many honors. He has received all the degrees up to and including the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. His lodge, chapter and council have in turn honored him with the highest honors in their gift, and he has occupied all of the offices in the gift of the Grand Chapter of this State, and is a member of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, and is now one of the council officers in the Grand Council of the State of Connecticut.
Emery L. Terrell, of Beacon Falls, is in the grocery and general merchandise business, and has followed that occupation for several years, being a clerk in the store of E. J. Terrell. He is 28 years old, having been born May 9, 1866, at Colebrook. He had the advantage of a High School course. He is now Tax Collector, and served as Town Clerk and Town Treasurer of Beacon Falls in 1889 and 1890, being a member of the Board of Relief in 1894. He was appointed Tax Collector in 1889, and was also elected for the same office in 1893 and 1894. He is a Democrat, and known as a young man with sound ideas and progressive. Mr. Terrell is one of the youngest men on the floor of the House.
HARRY FRENCH PECK

HARRY FRENCH PECK, of Bethany, has the honor of representing his town as the first and only Republican elected since the town was incorporated, sixty-two years ago, receiving over two votes to his opponent's one. He was born in Bethany August 5th, 1843, and was educated in the common schools.

For ten years he has been chairman of the Fund Committee, as long a time a member of the Congregational Society of Bethany. He has also been Town Auditor, and a member of the Board of Relief. Mr. Peck is an Assessor and Selectman.

Mr. Peck followed farming during his early life, on his father's farm, also doing the repairing of farming utensils with much success.

Finding he was peculiarly adapted to this line of work, he opened a shop for himself in 1880, and contracted for all kinds of repairs to farming implements, besides conducting a department devoted to shoeing horses and oxen. So favorably known did his shoeing become, that frequently oxen were sent ten miles over the hills to his shop.

Mr. Peck also owns a farm of 285 acres, which he personally manages, selling therefrom milk and hogs, vegetables and apples. He has always been a staunch Republican.
Edwards D. Sheldon, of Branford, was born in the town that is now honoring him and itself, April 18, 1843. He received a public school and academic education. When the war broke out his family could not restrain his ardor to fight for his country, and he served faithfully as a private in Company B, Twenty-seventh Connecticut Volunteers. In 1870 he, with his brother, George L., succeeded their father at the well-known and favorite summer resort at Pine Orchard, on Long Island Sound. Mr. Sheldon is popularly known by the traveling public as one of the jolliest of bonifaces.

He is an active Republican.
JACOB D. WALTER

JACOB D. WALTER, who represents the town of Cheshire in the Legislature for the first time, was born in Hamden thirty-eight years ago. He lived in Kansas and New York from 1857 to 1879. Since taking up his residence in Cheshire he has been active in the Republican party. He was a merchant for several years, but at present is engaged in farming. Mr. Walter has been Assessor for two years, and held other offices of trust in his town. His education was received at the public schools and at John E. Lovell's, New Haven. He is a County Commissioner.
SANFORD E. CHAFFEE

SANFORD E. CHAFFEE, of Derby, was born in East Windsor, October 14, 1834. He has been a resident of Derby for about fifty years. He came of a Democratic family, but has been a Republican ever since the formation of the party. He was an officer in the Twentieth Connecticut Volunteers. After the war he remained in Virginia until 1872. While there he held various offices under the United States Government. He was Superintendent of Registration and Election under the Reconstruction Acts in 1872. He returned to Derby, and has been in the employ of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company since that time as station agent. He was elected to the House of Representatives in 1887, and was a member of the Military Committee and Chairman of the House Committee on Constitutional Amendments. He was married March 16, 1887, to Hattie D. Russell, of New Haven.
H. HOLTON WOOD

H. Holton Wood, of Derby, was born in Montreal, Canada, in 1859. He received a liberal education, and was graduated from McGill University in that city in 1879. He is President of the Derby Street Railway Company, the first electric railway started in New England, of the Home Trust Company, the Derby and Shelton Board of Trade, and the Connecticut Street Railway Association, as well as a director in several business corporations in Derby. Previous to his election as Representative he had held none but local offices, such as being a member of the boards of burgesses and education. He is a Democrat, and was on the staff of Governor Morris, with the rank of Colonel.
CHARLES W. GRANNISS

Charles W. Granniss, of East Haven, was born in Foxon, in the town of East Haven, November 10, 1844. He has passed most of his life on the place where he was born and now lives, which has been in possession of his direct ancestors since the first settlement of New Haven Colony.

He is a son of the Revolution, his grandfather having been one of those who followed Putnam to Boston after Concord and Lexington.

The subject of this sketch left school before he was sixteen years of age, and enlisted in Company “A,” Tenth Connecticut Infantry, where he served four years.

He was twice wounded in action, and was promoted to sergeant. He is a member of the Board of Education of his town, and is a farmer. Mr. Granniss is a steadfast Republican. Mr. Granniss is particularly enthusiastic as an old soldier, and he will be a leader in all aims that are for the advancement and comfort of the class that deserves all the gratitude that can be offered.
BENJAMIN PAGE

Benjamin Page, of Meriden, is a native of North Branford, where he was born fifty-four years ago. The influence of his early training and environment has been prominent in shaping his character and career. As many of the men who are prominent in public affairs today, noted no less for their integrity than for their ability, were born and brought up among the sturdy farmers of New England, so the subject of this sketch was born, and so was laid the foundation of an upright and useful life.

When Mr. Page was about twenty-four years of age he came to Meriden, where he has since made his home and enjoyed the fullest confidence and esteem of his fellow-citizens regardless of party affiliations. During the first four years of his residence in Meriden he had charge of the South Meriden public school, and among his pupils were many of Meriden's successful men and women. Mr. Page's business is insurance and real estate, and the keen business intuition and sterling integrity that have made that business a success have been no less conspicuous in his career as a public man. For ten consecutive years he was city and town tax collector. He was next elected from his ward to the court of common council where he was the Republican leader and an efficient member of the city government.

During the last two years that he was a member of the council he was president pro tem. of that body and acting mayor of the city. In 1889 he was the Republican candidate for mayor and was elected. He was re-elected in 1890, but positively declined another renomination in 1891 though great pressure was brought to bear on him to induce him to accept. Under his administration important public improvements were begun and successfully completed, notably the addition to the Meriden water system. The Meriden sewerage system was also started while Mr. Page was mayor. When the Republicans of Meriden, in the fall of 1894, were looking about for a candidate for representative, the name of Benjamin Page was suggested by his many friends. He was nominated unanimously by the largest caucus ever held in Meriden, and, with his colleague, Mr. Morrill, was triumphantly elected. He served in the Legislature as a member of the Committee on Insurance, of which he was clerk.

Mr. Page is a very conservative man and uses his thorough knowledge of public affairs to the best advantage, and his advice is frequently sought in public as well as private business matters. Mr. Page is an active member and official of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church and one of the trustees of the well-known Curtis Home, an institution founded and endowed by the late Lemuel J. Curtis as a home for aged women and orphan children. He is also a director of the Meriden Savings Bank. Although Mr. Page is an ardent Republican in politics, he respects the opinions of all, and never takes an unfair advantage of a political opponent.
Jacob Stewart Morrill, of Meriden, is of New Hampshire birth, being born at Somersworth, April 1, 1839. His ancestors were among the early settlers of this country, and came from England to Salem, Mass., about 1630. His grandfather was an officer in the Revolutionary War.

Mr. Morrill has had an eventful life. He attended the grammar and high schools of the town of Great Falls, now called Somersworth. He went to sea at the age of fifteen years, and was rapidly promoted until he was master of a ship when he was twenty-four years of age. He gave up the sea in 1867; since 1868 the business that he has generally pursued has been that of engraving. He came to Meriden, Conn., from Springfield, Mass., about 1871, and has lived there since, gaining every year new influence and new respect from his fellow-men. He has been a Republican since the birth of the party, and cast his first ballot for Abraham Lincoln in 1860. He has not held office before.
George M. Gunn, of Milford, was a member of the House in 1880-81, also in 1885 and in the last Legislature. He was Senator from the Seventh District in the sessions of 1882-83, so that his legislative experience is extensive and would give him the attention of his colleagues on the floor if he did not command it by the more substantial fact that he is one of the cleverest politicians in the State, and an orator and thinker of ability. He was born in Milford, August 10, 1851, and graduated from Yale College in the class of '74, and from the Law School in '78. He has gained distinction in his practice of law in Milford and New Haven. He has been Judge of Probate in Milford for six years, and is President of the Milford Savings Bank. He is one of the leading members of the bar of the State.
FREDERICK L. TIBBALS

Frederick L. Tibbals, of Milford, was born thirty-six years ago. His ancestor, Thomas Tibbals, was engaged in the Pequot War under Capt. John Mason, in 1637, was impressed with the Wepawaug River and led the original settlers, under Rev. Peter Pruden, in 1639 to Milford. In recognition of which in the original lay-out of the town he was granted a special plot of fifty acres, and at the 250th anniversary of the settlement and building of the Memorial Bridge special distinction was shown the two men by immense boulders at each end of the Bridge, one to Thomas Tibbals, the first settler, and one to Peter Pruden, the first minister. Mr. Tibbals is a graduate of Milford High School and the Yale Business College, of New Haven.

He is one of the most aggressive and popular young men in the town which he represents. A Republican by inheritance as well as conviction, he has done much for a period of years toward changing the political aspect of the town, and is the second Republican representative that Milford has sent to the Assembly for the past thirty years.

He is well and favorably known in New Haven as well as in his native town, having been for a number of years engaged in a successful business as secretary and treasurer of the George H. Ford Company, New Haven. He is a director in the Milford Savings Bank, has been president of the Republican League, is a member of the New Haven Chamber of Commerce and the Republican League, also of the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Connecticut.

Remembering that he resides in the town of Milford, and that his business interests are in the City of New Haven, his selection as a member of the Committee on Cities and Boroughs (of which he was elected clerk) is exceedingly appropriate.
William H. McCarthy, of Naugatuck, was born in Ireland in 1854, and is therefore forty-two years old. He came to Naugatuck when only three years of age and has since resided there, receiving a common-school education in that town.

Mr. McCarthy is a staunch Democrat, and has been on the Democratic Town Committee for eight years.

He has served as Grand Juror and Justice of the Peace, also representing his town in the Legislature 1891 and 1893. In business life Mr. McCarthy is a dealer in real estate.

He is a member of Ojeda Council, Knights of Columbus, and of the Ancient Order of Foresters of America, having been identified with the latter since 1875.
Josiah James Linsley, of North Branford, comes of a family that was among the first to settle in New Haven colony. They have resided in this section of the country ever since. His grandfather (also named Josiah James Linsley) served several terms in the Legislature. It is particularly fitting that a man of such stock should be elected as a member of the State Legislature. He was born in New York City in 1850. He left school when he was quite young to take a position as clerk in a merchandise broker's office. Most of his business life he has been a sugar broker. He has prospered in a business way, and is known as a clear thinker and a man of great executive ability. He is a Republican.
ROBERT ORVILLE EATON

Robert Orville Eaton, of North Haven, is one of the best known Republicans in the State, acquiring political distinction as a good organizer and faithful worker, being among the earliest to assist in organizing young Republican clubs. For four years he was President of the North Haven Club, which was organized soon after the New Haven, and is now a member of the Executive Committee of the "League" for the Seventh Senatorial District. For two terms he was President of the local Literary Society, and for two years Master of North Haven Grange. Besides these he is a member of three other secret organizations, and a director in the local Village Improvement Society. He served as Assistant Dairy Commissioner for three years from May 1, 1891. Since he was 21 years old he has served upon the Town Committee, and since 1888 as Chairman. He has filled many other positions of responsibility and honor. Mr. Eaton is a farmer and market gardener, and is associated with his brother Theophilus under the name of Eaton Bros., occupying a portion of Gov. Eaton's possessions, which has never passed from the family name, and from which illustrious house Mr. Eaton is descended. He was born in North Haven in 1857, attended the common schools of that town, the Hillhouse High School of New Haven, and French's Collegiate Institute.
ELFORD C. RUSSELL

Elford C. Russell, of Orange, represents his native town in the Legislature, having been born there December 19, 1840.

He attended the common school and the old Orange Academy.

Mr. Russell was engaged in the retail meat business from the time of leaving school until 1877, and since 1881 has been a farmer. In politics he has always voted with the Republican party. He is much interested in Masonic affairs, and has been a member of Annamon Lodge, No. 115, F. & A. M., of West Haven, for over twenty years, being also a member of Franklin Chapter, No. 2, of New Haven. He is on the Board of Relief; was formerly a Burgess of the Borough of West Haven, and is a member of Orange Congregational Church. Mr. Russell is an earnest temperance advocate.

Lieut. Job Sperry, a soldier in the Continental Army, was Mr. Russell's paternal grandfather.
GEORGE P. SANFORD

George P. Sanford, of Oxford, was born, in the town he now represents in the Legislature, in 1834. He was twenty-five years in a store, but now is farming and is making a success of it. Mr. Sanford is not only a capable man, but he is strong in the respect of his fellows. This was demonstrated by the very flattering vote he got at the election. He is a Republican, ardent in his politics, but with as many Democratic friends and admirers as Republicans. In 1884, 1885 and 1887 he was an Assessor, and now he is on the Board of Relief. He will be active in securing agricultural legislation.
George L. Talmage, who has been elected to represent Prospect in the House, was born in that town, May 22, 1855. He got only an ordinary education, but by diligence and natural ability he has attained no little prominence among his townspeople. He is a farmer and believes in the principles of the Republican party. Mr. Talmage has served on the Board of Relief and has held other positions of trust, his reputation being founded on a record of integrity and energy.
Theodore B. Beach, of Seymour, was born in the town which he represents in the year 1855; was educated in the common schools of Seymour and Bridgeport. His early business was that of clerk in a lumber and coal office, after which he was employed as a clerk in the Seymour Railroad office. He was from 1875 to 1890 Ticket Agent of the Naugatuck Railroad and the N. Y. & N. E. R. R., at Waterbury, since which time he has been Agent for the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., at Seymour. He is also connected with the S. Y. Beach Paper Company, and is Secretary of it. He is Treasurer of Citizens’ Engine Company, No. 2; Treasurer of Morning Star Lodge, F. and A. M.; Treasurer of Nonnawauk Tribe, I. O. R. M.; Treasurer, Provident Aid Society; Trustee, Valley Lodge, N. E. O. P.; Trustee, Castle Rock Lodge, A. O. U. W.; Trustee, Workman’s Aid Society; Clerk, Seymour Congregational Society. These positions of trust he has attained by a faithful service for the societies with which he has been connected. He has been Secretary of the Board of Education since 1883, and Acting School Visitor since 1890. He was foremost in the adoption of the free text school book system by his town. He is a member of the Town Committee, is a Republican, and was elected by a majority of 197, the largest ever given a Representative here.
WM. HENRY NEWTON

WM. HENRY NEWTON, of Wallingford, Conn., was born June 25, 1850, at Newfane, and received his education there and at Rev. James Tufts’ school at Monson, Mass.

In 1869 Mr. Newton began his business life with Winslow & Park, and remained there and with their successors, J. D. Holbrook & Co., until 1872. He then moved to Middletown, Conn., and became a clerk for his brother, C. M. Newton, until 1875, when he was appointed to a clerkship in the First National Bank. His sterling qualities were rewarded in the fall of 1881 by his present position of cashier of the First National Bank of Wallingford.

Mr. Newton is an ardent Republican, and takes an active part in local, State and National campaigns. He was elected Town Treasurer in 1885; also served as Treasurer of the borough in 1889; was elected to the court of Burgesses, and the following year was made Warden of the borough of Wallingford. To this office he was re-elected in 1891, 1892, and 1894.

In 1887 he was appointed Paymaster of the 2nd Regiment, C. N. G., by Colonel Leavcnworth, and served on the latter’s staff with rank of Second Lieutenant for two years, and received a reappointment by Colonel Leavcnworth’s successor, Col. John B. Dougherty, and resigned in 1892.

Mr. Newton is a member of the First Congregational Church, and in social organizations he is prominent, being a Past Master of Compass Lodge, F. & A. M., a member of Keystone Chapter of Meriden, of the Republican League Club of New Haven, and Arcanum Club of Wallingford. He was married October 13, 1881, to Miss Alice Dickenson, daughter of Dana D. and Eliza A. Dickenson, of Williamsville. They had two children, Elsie M. and Mabel S. (deceased). Mr. Newton’s father, grandfather, and his uncle, Rev. E. H. Newton, D.D., are prominently mentioned in the history of Newfane.

The Rev. James Tufts, his grandfather, for forty years the pastor of the Congregational Church at Wordsboro, was “a strong man of wise influence,” says the History of Wordsboro.

The patriotism of the family is shown by the service of Marshall Newton, Sr., his great-grandfather, an officer in the French and Indian war; the seven years’ service of his grandfather, Marshall Newton, Jr., in the war of the Revolution; the service of his brother, John, four years in the 18th U. S. Infantry, and James Holland, in the 9th and 17th Vermont Volunteers, who was killed while leading his company in the last grand charge at Spottsylvania, May 12, 1864.
JOEL R. HOUGH

Joel R. Hough, of Wallingford, was born in that town October 4th, 1841, and is therefore fifty-three years of age. He received a common-school education. He enlisted Aug. 6, 1862, in Co. K, 15th Conn. Vols., and served until the close of the war. He is a farmer, in politics a Republican.

Mr. Hough is Past-Master of Wallingford Grange, has been a member of the Board of Relief, and is at present Assessor. He is vice-president of the Wallingford Agricultural Society, and a member of Agricultural Committee in the present Legislature.
SAMUEL M. BAILEY

Samuel H. Bailey, of Wolcott, is no stranger to the capitol, he having been a member of the House of 1891-92. He made a name as a hard worker at that time in the interests of his constituency, and he is expected to bring his experience to bear in the coming session to making a still more enviable record. He was born in Wolcott, January 7, 1831. His education was derived entirely from the common schools. Mr. Bailey was among those who responded to the nation's need and went to the front as a private in Co. E, 20th Regiment of Connecticut Volunteers. He saw much fighting. He is a farmer, and a Republican in politics. At present he is Treasurer of the local School Fund and of the Town Deposit Fund.
Erwin W. Webster is the Democratic member of the Ansonia contingent. He was a member of the House of 1833 and served on the Committee on Appropriations. He has held many important local offices, all of which he has filled with the same credit that attended his previous term in the Legislature. He was the town agent for Derby for seven years consecutively, and has held the same office in Ansonia. He was also a member of the board of education in the town of Derby, and burgess and treasurer of the borough of Ansonia. Mr. Webster was born in Bethlehem, Conn., April 9, 1836. He is a man of affairs and much esteemed. He is connected with the railroad and mercantile business.

Silas Edward Jerauld is a manufacturer. He is an earnest Republican and has always worked hard in the interests of his party. He is respected and popular and has the confidence of all his town people, both Republicans and Democrats, simply for his worth as a citizen and for the consistency of his life and habits. He has been selectman and town agent of Cheshire, performing the duties of these offices with distinguished ability and in a manner that indicates his fitness for the latest honor that has been conferred upon him. He was born in Prospect, April 1, 1830. In his youth he got no more education than could be furnished by the common schools.

Otis Jerome Range is well known throughout the State, having been for sixteen years Grand Chief Templar of the Order of Good Templars of Connecticut. He is also a preacher of much ability, and has gained considerable fame in the pulpit and on the platform. He was a member of the House of Representatives before, in 1884, and attained considerable prominence at that time by his forceful, argumentative powers. He was born in Meriden, September 25, 1840. He was kept at school until he was seventeen years of age, graduating from an academy. He served four years at Parker, Snow, Brooks & Co.’s establishment, learning the machinist’s trade. He joined the M. E. Church in 1846, and has been preaching the gospel for thirty years. He is a Republican. Mr. Range is very well known in Hartford from his religious and temperance connections.

Eрастус Dudley got his education in the schools of his native town, Guilford, and at a business college in New Haven. He was born December 20, 1849. He is a farmer and a Republican. At present he is an assessor, a position which he has held before.

David M. Mitchell says he is a Republican “every time.” That little remark proclaims him one of the loyal body who bear upon their breastplates the honorable word, “staunch.” He was born in Southbury fifty-three years ago. He was educated at the common schools and at the Lewis, Hinman, and Thompson academies. He has held various town offices, including that of selectman. He has been trustee for a number of important estates. He is a farmer.

Frank Mason Twitchell has never before held office. He is a Democrat. In business he is a manufacturer. He was born in Naugatuck in 1856. He attended the Wesleyan Academy at Wilbraham, Mass. He has always been modestly identified with public interests, giving his time in plenty, but never claiming any of the honors and emoluments of office until, as he says, he committed this, “his first offense.”

William F. Downer, representative from Hamden, has had the honor to be chairman of the Republican Town Committee in that place for twelve years. He has been so complimented by his fellow-citizens because of his unswerving devotion to his party, and it is illustrative of Mr. Downer’s ability and tact that his election as representative is looked upon with favor by Democrats as well as Republicans. He was born in New York, August 12, 1850.

Myron Hubbard Munger is particularly interested in educational subjects. He is a member of the town school committee and acting school visitor. He will take a leading part in advancing the passage of a desirable educational measure during the next four months at the Capitol. He is a member of the Congregational Church. Mr. Munger was town tax collector for three years. He was born in North Madison, October 9, 1855. He attended in his youth the district and select schools. Now he is a farmer and a Republican. He received a highly complimentary vote from his fellow-citizens in Madison, indicating that he stands high in the regard of his neighbors.

Lewis Hitchcock has a war record. He saw much service while a private in the 27th Connecticut Volunteers. He is a farmer. He was born in Bethany, December 4, 1838. He received no further educational advantages than those afforded by the common schools.

Horatio N. Smith was born in the town that has honored him with election to the general assembly. He is 42 years of age and a Democrat. By trade he is a butcher. He is now a member of the local school committee.
FREDERICK H. PARMELEE

Frederick H. Parmelee, of New London, one of the most prominent business men of the city of New London, is now its first representative. He was born in Durham, September 2, 1833. He received a common-school education, adding to it a high school course.

In 1851 he removed to New London, and has been in business since 1856 as a merchant.

He is a railroad and steamship ticket agent, doing a large business for the domestic and foreign steamship lines, and nearly all of the foreign banking business in the city.

In city matters he has served as a Councilman for three years and an Alderman for six years, being senior Alderman for three years and Chairman of the Finance Committee. During Harrison’s administration he was Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue. He is now one of the Assessors of New London. He is prominent in church work. He is a leading Mason, holding several offices, and having been Grand Commander of Knights Templars of Conn.
Charles Royce Boss, the second representative from New London, is the youngest member of the House, having been born November 1, 1871, and being now 23 years old. He was educated in the public schools and in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which he graduated last June. He is analytical chemist for C. D. Boss & Son, cracker manufacturers. In politics he is a Republican.
GARDINER GREENE, Jr.

Gardiner Greene, Jr., first representative from Norwich, is one of the most able and most prominent Republicans of the House. As a cool and brilliant strategist he won an enviable reputation in the “deadlock” session of 1891, when he represented Norwich. It was largely owing to his generalship that the Republicans of the House went through the trying session with so much success. Mr. Greene was Chairman of the Committee on Canvass of Votes for State officers. He was born forty-three years ago, and was educated in the Norwich Free Academy, Yale College and the Columbia Law School. He got the degree of B.A. from Yale in 1873.

A large law practice has been easily acquired by Mr. Greene, who is known widely as one of the most brilliant and promising attorneys in Connecticut. Republicans may confidently count on Mr. Greene’s vote and influence in all legislation which inures to the benefit of good citizenship.
Howard C. Brown, of Colchester, was born April 9th, 1839, in Willimantic. He spent his boyhood days on his father's large farm, Willimantic. The farm has been in possession of the family for 222 years, and is now occupied by his mother, who is 83 years of age. Mr. Brown takes considerable pride in his family history. He belongs to one of the oldest and most respected families of the town of Windham. He is the eighth generation from John Brown, the first settler at Plymouth, and of the seventh generation from John Mason, of Norwich, the hero of the Pequot war. Mr. Brown received an excellent education at the district school and by a private tutor, Wm. Weaver, then editor of the Willimantic Journal, and for several years was a school teacher, commencing when he was but 17 years of age.

He is the senior member of the firm of Brown Brothers, manufacturers of paper, and has been successfully engaged in the business for a quarter of a century. The firm receive, what they deserve, a large patronage, and are rated high in business circles. On December 31, 1870, he was married to Lucy A. Tefft, of Coventry. They have four children, Curtis P., Jessie L., Earle W., and Helen L.

Mr. Brown needs no words of commendation, as his career is a sufficient testimonial of his integrity and uprightness.
George P. Hill, of East Lyme, was born in Philadelphia, January 30, 1857, and was left an orphan at an early age, his father having been killed in the battle of Gettysburg, and his mother dying soon after. Just before the close of the war he came North to Vermont, where he worked on a farm summers and went to school winters. From there he went to Shelburne, Mass., where he remained eight years. He has lived in Niantic fifteen years, and about nine years of that time successfully followed the Menhaden fishery business. He was engaged with Luce Brothers, where he rose to be second captain of one of their steamers. Six years ago he embarked in his present business, that of ice cream, confectionery, etc., and has met with merited success, doing a large and profitable business. He held the position of constable for four successive years with entire satisfaction to the public and honor to himself. On January 19, 1887, he married Miss Emma U. Flint, of Lyme. A history of his career is but another example of what can be done by push, industry and good business principles. He was a poor boy, but by putting to their best use the sterling qualities with which he is endowed, has risen to his present position.

He has always been a consistent Democrat, but allows no politics to invade his social circle.
CLAYTON HYDE LATHROP

Clayton Hyde Lathrop, of Franklin, was born in Colchester, July 20, 1857. His education included a course in the Rockville High School. He is now Assessor and School Visitor, having been acting School Visitor for fourteen years. He has also been Justice of the Peace. He has followed the callings of farming and school teaching. In politics he is a Republican, and has done yeoman duty in the service of his party.

As a farmer he is progressive and wide-awake. He has one of the best farms in the State. He takes a lively interest in dairy and stock raising, and is deeply interested in all educational matters.

He was married March 31, 1880, to Estella J. Smith, of Franklin. They have one son, Clayton Huntington. Mr. Lathrop is the popular District Deputy of the A. O. U. W., and a member of the Lebanon Grange, No. 21, of which he was Lecturer for several years.
CHARLES H. SMITH

Charles H. Smith, of Groton, was born in Woauk, September 10, 1851. He received an excellent education in the common schools of his native town. In 1891-92 he was an active and popular member of the House, serving on the Committee on Fisheries, of which he is at present Chairman. He began the business of boat and yacht building twenty-two years ago, and by proverbial industry and honest dealing has built up a large and ever-increasing business. He is a Republican, and on that ticket was elected to the present Legislature. On Nov. 16, 1872, he married Mary E. Potter, of Woauk. They are highly respected by a large circle of friends.
Judson F. Bailey, of Groton, was born in Groton, February 16, 1865. His school days were spent in the institutions of learning in his native town, completing his education in the Mystic Valley Institute. He is one of the youngest members of the House, and is wide-awake and faithful. By first-class goods and square dealing he has built up a large and growing meat business. He is also a successful real estate agent. He was married June 7, 1884, to Mary Gray, of Groton. They have one child, a daughter, Ethel G. Mr. Bailey is a Republican, and is a valued member of several leading secret societies.
Robert E. Turner, of Lebanon, was born in Ledyard forty-two years ago.

His early education he obtained in the public schools, and several years in select schools. Thus he fitted for the calling of a teacher, which avocation he followed for six years with the most encouraging success.

During this time his training was supplemented by private study, which extended to the study of law and the classics. For ten years he conducted the business of a contractor and builder.

He has for many years been connected with literary work and literary and educational societies.

In 1890 he was accepted and ordained into the Gospel Ministry by a large Ecclesiastical Council called for the purpose by the Central Baptist Church of Norwich, of which he was a member. He entered the Newton Theological University and graduated in 1892.

He accepted a call extended by the First Baptist Church of Lebanon, and also by the Fitchville Baptist Church, and has been pastor of both these churches for three years. He is Chairman of the Lebanon Board of Education, and is much interested in the cause of schools.

He is an enthusiastic lover of the "flag," and has taken an active part in raising the flag over a large number of schools.

As a member of the present Legislature he is one of the Committee on Education. He is also a Republican.
JAMES E. ROBERTS

JAMES E. ROBERTS, of Lisbon, one of the twenty-one Republicans from New London County, was born in Providence, R. I., on November 9, 1841. He received his education in the common schools. In spite of limited early advantages he has made his mark, and now enjoys the richly merited respect of the community. He is a Selectman of Lisbon, having held office for some years. By occupation he is a roll coverer.

Mr. Roberts is deeply interested in Masonic work, being a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge, No. 75, F. & A. M., Jewett City; Franklin Chapter, No. 4, R. A. M., Norwich; Franklin Council, No. 3, R. & S. M., Norwich; Columbian Commandery, No. 4, K. T., Norwich; Reliance Lodge, I. O. O. F., Jewett City, and is also a Shriner, as a member of Pyramid Temple, of Bridgeport.
J. Griffin Ely, of Lyme, was born in that town, September 22, 1857. His early life was spent on a farm, where he worked hard and diligently for the money that was to play so important a part in his subsequent education. The dollars were not many, but Dr. Ely now admits that the experience proved valuable.

His schooling as a boy was such as was afforded by the district system and a select class. In 1875 he entered the Connecticut Literary Institute of Suffield, took the college preparatory course, and graduated in 1879.

The next year he entered Bellevue Hospital Medical College, graduating in 1884, and afterward took a post-graduate course in New York, during which time he was a special student under Prof. Wm. H. Welch. Upon the death of his father, in 1886, Dr. Ely succeeded him in practice in his native town, where he has since remained. In politics he is, and always has been, a Democrat. Since his majority Dr. Ely has been a member of the School Board; for quite a number its chairman.

For the last seven years he has been Health Officer of the town, an office he still holds, and is also Medical Examiner (under appointment of A. F. Park, Coroner of New London County) for the district of Lyme.
Geo. F. Coats, of North Stonington, was born in that town in 1841, and has resided there most of his life, living for a few years just over the line in Stonington. He has been a farmer most of his life.

Mr. Coats has held various town offices, having been a member of the Board of Assessors and Board of Relief for three years each, besides being Acting School Visitor in both towns for eighteen years. He is a Republican, and has always voted that ticket. Mr. Coats is a member of the Committee on New Towns and Probate Districts.
ALVAH MORGAN

Alvah Morgan, of Salem, was born in Salem, August 3, 1840. He received a common-school education. He has been First Selectman, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Assessor, and member of the Town Board of Education. In 1891–92 he was a member of the House of Representatives. He is now Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, on the Town Board of Education, and is also Chairman of the Democratic Town Committee. He has devoted his life to farming. On August 23, 1862, he enlisted as a private in Company A, 26th Regiment, C. V. He was wounded at Port Hudson, La. He is a member of the Committee on Agriculture.
THOMAS HUBBARD ALLEN

Thomas Hubbard Allen, of Sprague, son of the late Col. Ethan Allen, comes to the House with a well-known record, having been a member of that branch of the Legislature in 1885, 1886, 1889 and 1893, and of the Senate in 1887. He was the youngest member of the House in 1885, and of the Senate in 1887. Mr. Allen was born in Hanover, town of Sprague, in 1862, and was educated at the East Greenwich B. I. Academy and the Highland Military Academy, Worcester, Mass., from which institution he graduated as the valedictorian of his class and Captain of the Cadet Corps. He was for eight years a member of the Third Regiment, C. N. G., retiring as Captain and Inspector of Rifle Practice. He was an Aid-de-Camp at the inauguration of Benjamin Harrison as President; was a Delegate to the National Republican Convention at Chicago in 1888, and to the Centennial Celebration in New York in 1889; was First Selectman for five years.

In 1885 was Clerk of the Committee on Engrossed Bills; in 1886 Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs and Clerk of Library Committee; in 1887 Senate Chairman of Committee on Military Affairs and Canvass of Votes for Justices of the Peace; in 1889 Chairman of Committee on Military Affairs; in 1893 Chairman of Committee on Cities and Boroughs, and member of Committee on Joint Rules, and in 1895 Chairman of Committee on Military Affairs. Mr. Allen is engaged in the manufacture of woolen goods, and is a Republican.
James Pendleton, of Stonington, was born in the town which he represents, in 1854, and is the third son of the late Harris and Sarah Ann (Chester) Pendleton.

Mr. Pendleton obtained his education in the public and private schools of Stonington. At the age of 20 years he entered the employ of a contractor and builder, being assigned to office work, where he remained until 1878, when he engaged in the provision and fruit business. In 1881 he was appointed to the office of Postmaster at Stonington by President Chester A. Arthur. This position he filled acceptably for nearly five years, when a Democratic successor was appointed. In 1884 he was united in marriage to Sarah Elizabeth Potter, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Three sons have blessed the union, the eldest being now 9 years of age. For three years he held the office of Selectman, discharging its duties to the satisfaction of his townsmen. He was for several years Registrar of Electors, and has held several minor offices. He was for sixteen years a Burgess, and at the present time he holds the office of Warden of the Borough of Stonington. In business and politics Mr. Pendleton is an active worker, being the proprietor of a large retail grocery and baking business. He was elected to the General Assembly as a Republican, by a large majority, from a strongly Democratic town, and has been honored by the Speaker in the appointment to a position upon the important Committee on Railroads.
HENRY BYRON NOYES, JR.

Henry Byron Noyes, Jr., of Stonington, was born in Mystic, April 15, 1871, and is 23 years old. He was educated in the common schools of his native place, Westerly (R.I.), High School, and at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass.

His occupation is that of a banker, and he was elected as a Republican in a strongly Democratic town.
WILLIAM C. SAUNDERS

William C. Saunders was born in Westerly, R. I., October 18, 1853. His common-school education was supplemented by a high school course. He has creditably occupied the offices of Postmaster and Town Auditor, holding, at the present time, the latter position, and is also a Justice of the Peace. He was Secretary of the Board of School Visitors for six years, and continues to be a member of the Board. Mr. Saunders was married January 15, 1880, to Rosa M. Beebe, of Waterford. They have one daughter, Winnifred.

Representative Saunders is the successful proprietor of a general store. His popularity is plainly shown by the continued honors extended him by his townsmen, and by the fact that although his town is strongly Democratic he was the first Republican elected in seventeen years, receiving a large majority. He is Clerk of the Committee on Humane Institutions.
John M. Brewer was born in East Hartford October 7, 1843, his education including finishing courses in the East Hartford Academy and the Lewis Academy of Southington. He is now commander of the Connecticut Department, G. A. R. During the war he served in the Sixteenth Connecticut. He was councillor for the City of Norwich for two years, alderman for two years. He was commander of Sedgwick Post, G. A. R., for three years and is a past president of the Arcanum Club. His politics is Republican. His business is that of an apothecary.

William E. Harvey was born in Colchester October 30, 1846. He is a graduate of the Bacon Academy, Colchester. He has been an assessor in his native town and has served with ability as committeeman in his school district. He has followed agricultural pursuits. In politics he is a Republican and is looked on as a valuable and conscientious party worker.

John Potter was born in Voluntown in 1869 and is one of the young men in the General Assembly. His education included a course in the New Hampton Institute and Commercial College, from which he graduated in 1892. In 1891 and 1892 he was in the Yale Law School. He is now secretary of the Griswold Board of Education. He is engaged in agricultural pursuits. Mr. Potter is a Jeffersonian and a man of ability, and will make his way.

Hobart McCall, of Lebanon, was born May 19, 1826, the second son of Deacon Henry McCall, and has always resided in Lebanon. After his marriage, in 1852, he occupied the farm where his father was born and his grandfather lived many years. His mother, Melissa Hale, was a daughter of Rev. Enoch Hale, who graduated at Yale College in 1773 in the same class with his younger brother, Nathan Hale, the patriot of Revolutionary fame. Rev. Enoch Hale was ordained the first pastor in Westhampton, Mass., September 20, 1779, where he remained till his death, January 14, 1837, after a ministry of 57 years. Mr. Hale’s first and his present wife are also descendants of the Hale family. He has one daughter. Mr. McCall was on the board of assessors for two terms, being also a member of the board of relief. He is the oldest representative in his county and may justly be looked upon as the Nestor of the county delegation.

George W. Rouse was born in Griswold in 1847 and is 47 years old. Common schools gave him his education in boyhood. He made his way rapidly. While still a youth he entered Company G, Twelfth Connecticut Volunteers, and served during the remainder of the war. He has followed the grocery business, but also has taken an interest in town politics. His fellow-townsmen have elected him registrar of voters and grand juror. He has also been registrar of marriages, births and deaths, and postmaster. He is a notary public, is quartermaster of Smith Post, No. 45, G. A. R., and is a member of the United Workmen, the Odd Fellows and the Masons. In politics he prefers to affiliate with the Republican party.

Charles A. Gray, chairman of the Democratic Town Committee, will represent this town during Governor Coffin’s administration. Mr. Gray was born in Groton, February 11, 1858. He was educated in the common schools of his native town. Besides representative, he is now registrar of voters in Ledyard. Previously he has been tax collector, assessor, constable and selectman. His occupation is farming. In the Assembly he will act with the Democratic party, of which he is an active member.

Roswell P. Laplace was born in Lyme September 4, 1828, and is 66 years old. His early education was obtained in the common schools, but in spite of disadvantages he has steadily made his way and enjoys the respect of his townsmen. He is a member of the board of relief. The business he has generally followed is manufacturing. The Republican party may rely on his best services.

George N. Wood, who represents the town of Montville in the General Assembly, first saw the light in East Greenwich, R. I., April 7, 1837. His education was received mainly in the common schools. He is the Montville Republican registrar of voters, having held that office thirteen years, deputy sheriff in New London County, assistant town clerk and chairman of the Republican Town Committee. He has been constable, collector (for four years) and selectman (one year). He is a teamster and liveryman by occupation.

Amasa M. Main was born in Ledyard sixty-three years ago and has passed the greater portion of his life in New London County. He is a farmer and has won an enviable reputation as a successful one. In politics he supports the fortunes of the Republican party.

James F. Bugbee’s birthplace is Tolland, where he first saw the light January 31, 1853. He was educated in the common schools. His business is that of general merchant. Mr. Bugbee is a member of the Old Lyme Board of Relief. He belongs to Crystal Lodge, No. 88, I. O. O. F., Pythagoras Lodge, No. 45, A. F. and A. M., and Moregan Council, No. 75, O. U. A. M. He affiliates with the Democratic party.

Austin A. Chapman, first representative, is a native of Preston. The year of his birth was 1828 and he is 66 years of age. Common school gave him his early education. In 1874 and again in 1884 he sat in the House of Representatives. His occupation is that of a mason. In political questions he champions the views of the Democratic party.

Appleton Main was born in North Stonington January 23, 1855. His education included “finishing” in the Providence Conference Seminary. He was for four years selectman and is now a justice of the peace, assessor and school visitor. He has generally pursued the callings of farmer and grocer. In politics he must be classified as a Democrat.

Willard J. Way was born in Salem February 18, 1859. He was educated in the common schools. He is now an assessor and a grand juror. His occupation is farming. He is a prominent Democrat, enjoying the esteem of his party workers.
Edward Williams Marsh, of Bridgeport, is one of the most prominent business men of Bridgeport, having held many positions of trust in financial institutions. He was born at New Milford, January 24, 1836. He was educated in the public schools of New Milford, at Brace’s Academy and at Alger Institute, South Cromwell, Conn. In 1862 he enlisted in the Volunteers, and received the appointment of Quartermaster-Sergeant, and started with the Nineteenth Regiment, Conn. Vol. infantry, for Washington, D. C., September 15, 1862. He was ordered to Alexandria, Va., and was stationed near that city for eighteen months. In 1863 his regiment was in front of Alexandria, and during the year was changed to the Second Connecticut Heavy Artillery. In 1864, when General Grant took command of the Army of the Potomac, it joined his Army in the Wilderness, and was assigned to the Second Brigade, First Division, Sixth Army Corps. He was then Captain of Company M, 150 men, in an artillery regiment of twelve companies, 1,800 men, but doing infantry duty. The regiment was at Cold Harbor and in front of Petersburg and was with General Sheridan in the Shenandoah Valley and transferred back to Army of Potomac in front of Petersburg, where it remained until the close of war. In public life Mr. Marsh represented First Ward of Bridgeport in the Board of Aldermen. He is at present Vice-President of the Y. M. C. A. and the Bridgeport Hospital, the First National Bank and the Bryant Electric Company, and a director of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Trust Company of Kansas City, and for eight years Secretary and Treasurer of the People’s Saving Bank of Bridgeport.
CHARLES KELLER

Charles Keller, of Bridgeport, Republican, was born in New York City, Jan. 10, 1854. His early education was obtained in a German school and in the public night schools. At the age of thirteen he was apprenticed to a piano firm, and worked at the trade continuously. In 1887, in company with a younger brother, he established the piano firm of Keller Bros., now Keller Bros. & Blight, at Bridgeport, and the business is very satisfactory. He is deeply interested in German societies, and is a prominent member of the German societies in Bridgeport. While in New York Captain Keller was greatly interested in the militia, having entered the service as a private and leaving it as Captain of Co. I, Twenty-fifth Regiment.

He took a great interest in rifle practice, and for four years was a member of the Third Division Team, and later of the State Team. Mr. Keller was prominently known as one of the best shots in the State.

On April 11, 1874, he married Miss Emma Gilbert, of Chicago. They have had seven children, four of whom are living—Charles, Emma, Joseph and John.
Charles Bailey, of Bethel, Republican, was born in Columbus, Chenango County, New York, Jan. 26, 1833. His early life was passed on the farm of his adopted father, George Clapp, with whom he came to live, in the town of Bethel, in 1835.

He received a common-school education. At the age of 17 he was apprenticed to the silk hatting business for four years, afterward learning the fur hatting business, and now is engaged in curling stiff fur hats. He was married Nov. 29, 1855; a family of six children was born, of whom four are living, three sons and one daughter. At the call of Lincoln for nine months' troops, on Sept. 2, 1862, he enlisted in Co. G, 23d Regt., Conn. Vols., of which he was Second Lieutenant, and they were sent to the Gulf Department, 19th Army Corps, under Gen. N. P. Banks. On June 23, 1863, at the battle of Brashear City, La., he was taken prisoner of war, and spent thirteen months in Tyler, Texas, in a rebel prison, being exchanged at Red River Landing, July 22, 1864, receiving his discharge at Hartford, Aug. 9, 1864. He has never held political office until the present time, being elected by the largest majority ever given a Representative from the town. At present he holds the office of Deacon in the First Congregational Church, is Secretary and Treasurer of the School Board, Chaplain of Eureka Lodge, No. 83, F. A. M., a member of James E. Moore Post, No. 18, G. A. R., and held the office of Superintendent of the Sabbath School for ten years.
Charles W. Lounsbury, of Dorien, was born in Eddyville, N. Y., March 22, 1842, and received a common-school education.

He is a Republican, and was a member of the Legislature in 1893.

For twenty years he has been a Trial Justice of the town and notary public, besides School Committee, Treasurer of his District, and was also chairman of the Building Committee for Canter School District.

Mr. Lounsbury has been chairman of Superior Court Committee in oyster ground matters, and a member of the Board of School Visitors. In the present Legislature he is on the committee on Humane Institutions.

He served in Company A, Seventeenth Connecticut Volunteers during the Civil War, and in business life has been identified with the stove, hardware and house-furnishing goods trade, besides acting as executor and administrator of several estates, and commissioner on probate matters.
EBER GOULD

EBER GOULD, of Easton, was born in that town June 2, 1831. He has held several local offices. For the last five years he has been First Selectman. He has been a Justice of the Peace and has served as a juryman.

Mr. Gould is a farmer by occupation. He is a steward and trustee of the Methodist Church, and was collector and treasurer for a period of eighteen years.

On September 26, 1852, he married Sarah J. Brown, of Fairfield, who died October 11, 1857. On January 16, 1859, he married Amelia S. Brown, a sister of his first wife.

He had one daughter by his first wife, Jennie, the wife of Edgar G. Jennings.

Mr. Gould is a staunch Republican, and has a watchful eye for the best interests of his party and good government.
MICHAEL B. LACEY

Michael B. Lacey, of Fairfield, is a native of the town he represents, and was born Feb. 1, 1832. He is a jobber and repairer of carriages. He was well educated in the public schools. He has been honored by his townsmen by being elected to most of the offices of the town, including that of Selectman, Assessor, School Visitor and on the Board of Relief. He is a member of the Town Committee, and is the efficient Chairman of the Town School Committee. On April 25, 1860, he married Ann Elizabeth Wilson. They have one child, a son, Charles C., born May 19, 1874, who is the capable manager of his father's business during his absence. Mr. Lacey is a Republican and a member of the important Committee on Education. There is probably no more faithful, genial, and respected member in the House than the senior member from Fairfield.
JOHN F. CLOSE

John F. Close, of Greenwich, was born in that town January 19, 1839, and was educated at the Greenwich Academy. For eighteen years he was engaged in mercantile business, but is now a farmer. He was Selectman for two years, Judge of Probate for the same length of time, and was Town Treasurer for three years. Besides these offices Mr. Close is now a director in the Greenwich Trust Loan and Deposit Company. He has always been a Republican, and sees no reason to change.
Seaman Mead, of Greenwich, is 56 years of age, having been born in Greenwich, November 5, 1838, and has been a life-long Republican. He is a graduate of the Greenwich Academy, and a farmer. He is at present an Assessor of the town. He has been Chairman of the Town Committee for ten years, an Assessor for eighteen years, and a director in the Greenwich Loan and Trust Company since its organization.

Mr. Mead’s ancestors, for several generations, have been actively identified with the best interests of their town and State. His great-grandfather was a surgeon in the French and Indian war; was several times a member of the Colonial, and afterward of the State, Legislature, and was a ratifier of the Federal Constitution. His grandfather rendered valuable services during the Revolutionary War as a member of the Committee of Safety, and his father twice represented Greenwich in the Legislature, and held many other positions of honor and trust.
Gould Abija Shelton, M. D., was born in Huntington, Conn., August 19, 1841.

He obtained his preparatory education at Staples Academy, Easton, Conn., and entered Yale College in the class of 1866. He pursued the studies of the academic department for two years, then entered the Yale School of Medicine, receiving the degree of M. D. in 1869, and the honorary degree of M. A. from the same University in 1891. He entered upon the active practice of his profession in 1869 in the village of Shelton, in his native town, and has continued uninterruptedly in the field since that time. It is an interesting fact that the medical field of Huntington has been occupied by three successive generations in the same family since 1789, viz.: Dr. William Shelton, Dr. James H. Shelton and Dr. Gould A. Shelton.

Dr. Shelton has held many prominent public offices, having been a member of the Board of Burgess of the Borough of Shelton in 1885, '87-'88; Warden of the borough in 1892, '91-'92, an active member of the Board of Education of Huntington from 1879 to 1888; elected president of the Shelton Water Company in 1893; director of Shelton Savings Bank since its incorporation; secretary and director of the Silver Plate Cutlery Company since 1893; president Board of Park Commissioners, and trustee of the Plumb Fund, and is now engaged in erecting the Plumb Memorial Library for the town of Huntington. Dr. Shelton is a member of the American Medical Association, the Connecticut Medical Society, the Fairfield County Medical Society, and its president in 1889; also president of the Yale Medical Alumni Association in 1894. He married, June 16, 1874, Miss Emily Plumb Capel, of Shelton.

In politics Dr. Shelton has always been a Republican, and during this session has served as Chairman of the Committee on Public Health.
ELBERT ORVILLE HULL

Elbert Orville Hull, of Monroe, was born in the town he represents on the twenty-second day of May, 1864. His parents are Orville H. Hull, who was a member of the House of 1885, and Mary J. Johnson, both natives of Monroe. His paternal ancestry is traced back to old Colonial times, when three Hull brothers came to this State from England, and upon the maternal side he comes from New England stock. He has always lived in Monroe, and attended the village school until seventeen years of age when he taught in the district schools in the vicinity of his home for two years. He then entered the Worcester, Mass., academy from which he was subsequently graduated. After his graduation he entered Brown University at Providence, R. I., but before the end of his freshman year was obliged to discontinue his studies owing to weak eyesight. The succeeding fall he was chosen principal of the high school at Plymouth, Conn., and after holding that position for two years he resigned, to take up the study of his chosen profession, the law. In June, 1892, he was admitted to the Fairfield County Bar, being one of the seven successful candidates out of the thirteen from that county who took the examination, and is now a member of the law firm of Chamberlain, Bishop & Hull, of Bridgeport, which firm he entered immediately upon his admission to the bar. He has held the position of Tax Collector and at present is a Justice of the Peace, Chairman of the Town Board of Education, and acting school visitor. He is a member of the Samuel H. Harris Lodge, No. 99, I. O. O. F., of Bridgeport, and is also a member of the Stepney Baptist Church and at present chairman of the society's committee. In politics he is a Republican, being the first of that faith to represent the town since 1885 and the tenth in its history.

Mr. Hull is House Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, and member of the Railroad Committee.

He is also one of the Auditors of Fairfield County.
HOMER L. WANZER

HOMER L. WANZER was born in New Fairfield, March 3, 1850, being the son of Willis H. and Sarah A. Wanzer, and a descendant of Abraham Wanzer, who emigrated to America from Hesse Castle, Germany, and became a Lieutenant in the French war in America. At the age of 16 Mr. Wanzer attended a boarding school in Oswego Village. His studies were completed in 1870 at the Chappaqua Mountain Institute in Westchester County, New York.

In 1878 Mr. Wanzer married Miss Mary Alice Giddings, daughter of James A. Giddings, Jr. Mrs. Wanzer died within a few years, leaving one daughter, Miss Grace Wanzer. He has held the Presidency of the Housatonic Agricultural Society two years, President of the Town Board of Health at one time, and is a member of the Board of Directors of the New Milford Agricultural Association, and its President at different times. Has been director of the Housatonic Valley Creamery Co.; is also a member of the Board of Selectmen of New Fairfield, which office he has held since 1885; has been Inspector of Highways for the past ten years.

He is a farmer by vocation and a Democrat in politics, and was elected Representative last November by 71 majority, his opponent receiving only 42 votes, and was the only Democratic gain in Fairfield County.
EDWIN O. KEELER

Edwin O. Keeler, of Norwalk, ranks among the foremost of Norwalk's wide-awake and prominent men. He was born in Ridgefield, January 12, 1846. His father was J. C. Keeler, a well-to-do and thrifty agriculturist, who took great pride in giving his youngest son a good education and a thorough practical knowledge of business and affairs. The young man came to Norwalk when 15 years old and accepted a clerkship in S. E. Olmstead & Co.'s wholesale grocery house, then doing business on Main street. He grew in favor with his employers and was frequently promoted. Later he bought an interest and became a partner with Major George M. Holmes in the big wholesale grocery business on Wall street, now a joint stock concern doing business under the name of the Holmes, Keeler & Selleck Co., the largest mercantile business in this town. Mr. Keeler has since 1887 been a director in the Fairfield County National Bank, and has been its President since 1893, he having succeeded the late United States Treasurer Hyatt. He is an ex-president of the Norwalk Club and is one of its leading members. Mr. Keeler is an earnest and sincere member of the First Congregational Church and has been a Committeeman there for fifteen consecutive years. He is a member of St. John's Lodge of Masons of this city, a Knight Templar in Clinton Commandery and of the Mystic Shrine; also a member of the Connecticut Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F. For many years an active member of the Norwalk Fire Department, and a member of the Board of Fire Engineers.
R. H. Rowan

R. H. Rowan, of Norwalk, was born in East Hebron, Washington County, N. Y., 1831. His parents were Scotch-Irish. He left home when he was twelve. All the schooling he ever had he obtained at the district school previous to leaving home. He worked among the farmers in the neighborhood until he was seventeen years old; he then came to Danbury, Conn., and learned a branch of the hatting business with Hiram and Elijah Sturdevant; afterward learned paper box making, and was superintendent for E. S. Davis for eight years. In 1862 he removed to South Norwalk and commenced the manufacturing of paper boxes on his own account. Here he remained until 1881, when his health becoming impaired, he sold the plant and retired from active business. Mr. Rowan was a member of the City Council for some years. He was one of the Board of Water Commissioners for nine years.

In 1881 he was elected president of the Fairfield Fire Insurance Company, and held the office until the company concluded to close the business. He was elected in 1879-'80 to represent his town in the Legislature.

In 1881, with a few other gentlemen, he organized the City National Bank of South Norwalk, was elected its president, and still holds the position.
Milan H. Mead, of Ridgefield, was born in Lewisboro, N. Y., August 29th, 1829, and was educated in the common and select schools of Ridgefield, his parents removing there when he was eight years of age. He lives upon the farm that he has owned since he attained his majority, and which he was actively engaged in working for twenty-five years.

In 1876 Mr. Mead became a partner with John D. Nash, in the firm of Nash & Mead, general merchandise dealers, where he is now located, though he personally superintends the work of his farm.
EDWIN P. WHITE

Edwin P. White, member of the House from Ridgefield, was born in Danbury, Conn., on April 9, 1829. He passed all his boyhood in the rural community in which he was born, and in the district school there he acquired his education. In 1857 he moved to Ridgefield and, in the same year, married Lydia M. Birdsall. He is a farmer in the sense that he owns and lives upon a somewhat extensive farm, but his occupation is rather that of a contractor, in which direction he has mainly employed his energies. He served in the War of the Rebellion, and he is prominent in both Grand Army and Masonic circles. In his town he has been, at different times, Assessor, member of the Board of Relief, and Selectman. At the recent election his majority over his highest Democratic competitor was 147. In his religious sympathies he is a Methodist. His memory goes back to no time when he was not intensely opposed to slavery, and so when the Republican party started he enlisted in its ranks with all the enthusiasm of youth, and he still follows its fortunes and believes in its mission. In his town he has been, for many years, one of its leaders.

Mr. White is fluent in speech and positive in opinion, and he has excited the animosities and inspired the warm friendships which always come to such a character. In each one of his ancestral lines he goes back to the pure Anglo-Saxon blood of Colonial times, and these lines have all united in him to form a typical New Englander.

In the Assembly he is a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Constitutional Amendments.
JOSEPH DAVIS GOULDEN

JOSEPH DAVIS GOULDEN, of Stamford, is a native of Fairfield, and was born September 19, 1859.

His education was obtained in the private and public schools of Fairfield.

Mr. Goulden was a resident of South Manchester for about ten years, having taken a very active part in the Harrison campaign, being vice-president of the Manchester Republican Club at that time.

He was chairman of the Republican Borough Committee in 1893, treasurer of the Citizens' Committee on the 250th Anniversary Celebration, besides a member of I. O. O. F., F. & A. M. and Past Regent of Stamford Council, Royal Arcanum.

In business life Mr. Goulden is a retail druggist.

He has never before been an aspirant for public office, but he brings to the office of Representative a practical knowledge of affairs that will ably fit him for looking after the interests of his town and State.
STILES JUDSON, Jr.

STILES JUDSON, Jr., of Stratford, was born at Stratford, February 13, 1862. His ancestry on both sides of the family goes back to the first settlers of Connecticut, William Judson having been the first settler in Stratford in 1638. Mr. Judson graduated from the Yale Law School in 1885 and has ever since been actively engaged in the practice of the law. He is a member of the law firm of Canfield & Judson, whose offices are at Bridgeport, and is one of the leading members of the bar of Fairfield county. Mr. Judson for several years has been prominently identified with the Republican State politics and has always been an active worker in the party. He represented the town of Stratford in the General Assembly of 1891 and was House Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, and was one of the leaders on the floor of the House throughout the memorable deadlock session. In 1892 he was nominated by the Republican party for Secretary of State. Mr. Judson is one of the officers of the Republican State League, and has often been called upon to address political assemblages. He is a member of the Judiciary Committee and House Chairman of the Joint Select Committee on Constitutional Amendments of the General Assembly.
HENRY B. WHEELER

Henry B. Wheeler, of Weston, is 63 years old, and was born in Easton, or what was originally Weston. He was educated in the common schools, and Easton Academy. From school he entered a foundry and learned his trade, buying out the business in 1873, since which time he has carried it on, making a specialty of plows, harrows and irons for hatter's tools. He has been a Selectman for three terms in succession. Mr. Wheeler has always been a Republican.
Rufus Wakeman, representative of the town of Westport, was born in Westport, April 2, 1843, of Puritan stock, his father being a descendant of the old Massachusetts colonists, and was one of the largest landowners of Fairfield County. Mr. Wakeman attended the public schools and the Westport academy until he was 16 years old, when he became a clerk in a general store in Saugatuck.

In July, 1862, he enlisted in the Seventeenth Regiment, C. V., for a three years' service. He served as a non-commissioned officer for exactly three years without a furlough. He was at the battle of Gettysburg from the boom of the first gun until the battle was ended. After the war he returned to Saugatuck where he kept a general store for sixteen years, and was very successful. Disposing of his business, he, a few months later, went into the manufacturing business, making mattresses, church and chair cushions, and also deals in real estate. In public life he has been elected a Selectman of Westport five times; president and director of the Board of Trade, and has always been a Republican. He is writing his reminiscences of the Civil War, and the papers are read from time to time before the Westport Historical Society. In church matters he has always taken a prominent and active part.

On Sept. 12, 1867, Mr. Wakeman married Miss Frances Fairchild, of Westport. They have one son living, Austin.
EUGENE C. DUMPSEY was born in Barkhamsted, Conn., thirty years ago, and was educated in the public schools of Winsted, and also received an academic education. He read law in the office of Frederick A. Jewell, of New Hartford, and was admitted to the Litchfield County bar in 1886. He is a Democrat, but has never previously held any public office.

LEWIS E. ORTON was born in Patterson, N. Y., on December 3, 1856. He received a common-school education, and learned the trade of a hatter when a young man. He has met with a full share of success in life and has ever been active in the affairs of Danbury, as well as in the affairs of the hatting trade. Mr. Orton was elected as a Populist, and enjoys the distinction of being the only representative of that party in the Legislature.

JAMES LEE, of Brookfield, is 42 years old, having been born in Boston, Mass., February 23, 1852. He received a common-school education, and, as he remarks himself, "have held all the town offices." He is at present a constable, and is engaged in farming and is a commission merchant in milk. He is a Democrat.

CONRAD BUCKINGHAM was born in Germany forty years ago. He is, and has been for several years, a selectman. For over twenty years he was engaged in manufacturing, but retired to a farm, the working of which he now superintends. He is a Republican.

GEORGE WILLIAM OGDEN was born in New Canaan thirty-two years ago. He was graduated from Columbia College, New York, in 1854. He has been secretary of the board of school visitors, registrar of electors, and a grand juror of the town. The former two positions he now holds. He is at present engaged in teaching, and also manages his farm. He is a Republican.

PATRICK CAMPBELL was born in Ireland, fifty-three years ago. His education was obtained in the common schools, and for a number of years he has been in the feed business. In politics Mr. Campbell is a Democrat.

SAMUEL AMBROSE BLACKMAN was born in Brookfield forty-four years ago. His education was obtained in the common schools of that town. He has filled many local offices and was a member of the lower house of the Connecticut Legislature in 1883. For a number of years he was engaged in the manufacture of hats, but now conducts a hotel. He is a Democrat.

ANDREW F. JONES was born in 1820 and is therefore in his fifty-fourth year. Mr. Jones' general business has been railroading and bookkeeping, but is now town clerk. He has had considerable legislative experience, having been in the House in 1889, 1891 and 1893, while his war record is also a long one, he having served four years as lieutenant in the Tenth Connecticut Volunteers. Mr. Jones is a Republican.

L. WOOLSEY RANDLE Is 35 years of age, having been born in Milton, Conn., in 1859. He was educated in the public schools, and at Olmstead's Wilton Academy. For several years he was engaged in the mercantile business in Redding Centre, but for the past four years has held a responsible position with the Clover Farm Creamery Company. His thorough knowledge of the creamery business in all its details will make him a prominent legislator in whatever may pertain to that rapidly growing branch of Connecticut industries. He is a Republican.

HOWARD PARKER MANSFIELD, M.D., was born in Brookfield, Conn., October 27, 1863, and will be one of the youngest members of the present house. After studying in the common schools and the Brookfield Academy, Dr. Mansfield attended the Long Island College Hospital, where he was graduated in March, 1893, and has since then been practicing as a physician. He has been chairman of the town committee, registrar, assessor and school visitor, and is now a member of the board of education. In 1893 Dr. Mansfield was a messenger of the House, so legislation will be familiar to him. He is a Republican.

FRANK HUNGERFORD was born in New Milford, October 14, 1846. He was educated in the common schools of Connecticut and Illinois. He taught school for fifteen years, but is now a farmer. He has held the offices of chairman of the school board, town assessor, board of relief, and grand juror, always as a Republican.

HORACE LEWIS FAIRCHILD was born in Trumbull in 1835, and is at present 59 years of age. Mr. Fairchild is a graduate of Yale University, having graduated in 1860. He has for several years been a school visitor and has held many minor local offices, but has never had any legislative experience. His business is that of a paper manufacturer, and he has been for fifteen years a director in the First National Bank of Bridgeport. During this session of the Legislature Mr. Fairchild will act with the Republicans.
First Representative from Windham, was born in Mansfield, Conn., March 20, 1849. His paternal ancestry came from Scotland, and were the establishers of the paper manufacturing industry in the United States. His mother's family, Metcalf-Jewett, were amongst the sturdy yeomanry of New England, and did valiant service in the French and Indian Wars and in the War of the Revolution. His grandfather, William Metcalf, was kept so continuously in office by his fellow-townsmen, that he earned the cognomen of the "Father of the town of Mansfield."

Mr. Wilson received a grammar and high school education. His politics is Republican. His business has always been that of a druggist. He has been president of the Connecticut Pharmaceutical Association, and he has frequently been nominated by the Association to the Governor of Connecticut for Pharmacy Commissioner. Mr. Wilson has always enjoyed the confidence and esteem of his townsmen and has occupied many offices of trust and responsibility, serving three years in the Court of Burgesses of the old borough of Willimantic, three years on the High School Committee and two years as chairman of the Board of Selectmen. He is a liberal supporter of the Congregational Church, and has served several years as chairman of the Society's Committee. Mr. Wilson is a director in several of Willimantic's industries. This is his first legislative experience. He has proved a valuable member of the Committee on Cities and Boroughs.
Andrew Jackson Bowen, of Windham, was born in Eastford, Conn., April 16, 1845. His ancestors came to this country in 1640, and Oliver Bowen distinguished himself in the War of the Revolution. His father, Oliver Bowen, was a successful business man in the town of Eastford.

Having received a common-school education, he taught school a few terms, afterward engaging in mercantile pursuits in his native town at the age of 21, meeting with satisfactory results. He was Postmaster of Eastford for five years, and a member of the Legislature in 1880, serving on the Committee on Incorporations. After studying law he moved to Willimantic in 1881, and was admitted to the bar in the same year. He is largely interested in local affairs. He became identified with the Morrison Machine Company (as treasurer), at a time when that company was financially embarrassed. His efforts to carry it through successfully were apparently assured when an adverse decision of a pending patent suit ended in a collapse of the company.

He helped to organize and was with the first to invest in the Natchaug Silk Company of Willimantic, a well-known corporation, aspiring to be as extensively known as the Willimantic Linen Co. In the present Legislature Mr. Bowen is a member of the Judiciary Committee, also Chairman of the Committee on Joint Rules. A joint rule has been introduced by him requiring committees to meet and organize within one week from their appointment.

He has the honor of being appointed by the present Legislature the first Judge of the Police Court of the City of Willimantic. Mr. Bowen is senior counsel in a case involving about $100,000, now pending in the Supreme Court of Florida.
WILLIAM R. BARBER

William R. Barber, of Putnam, was born in Thompson, Conn., May 8, 1850, being the first child of Joseph R. and Judith (Perry) Barber. At the age of 3 he removed to Oxford, where for four years his father had charge of the town farm. In 1857 the family moved to Woodstock, where his education was brought to completion at the historic academy, fitting himself there for the successful teacher he afterward became. Thompson, Woodstock, Eastford and Putnam were the scenes of his educational labors, taking the principalship of the Fifth District Graded Grammar School in the latter town after six years of gratifying work in the other places. While in Woodstock he held the office of Secretary, Treasurer and Trustee of his Alma Mater, the Academy offices he has continued to fill up to the present time—over eleven consecutive years. His political career in Woodstock is limited to serving his townsmen a number of terms as Game Warden, a position which it is needless to say is something of a sinecure. He was also Superintendent of the West Woodstock Congregational Sunday-school for about six years. Moving, as we have said, to Putnam in 1880, his four years in the grammar school were spent to the satisfaction of all concerned. Active business life, however, attracted him from the schoolroom, and when the Putnam Foundry and Machine Corporation was formed in 1884, he was one of its original stockholders, serving also as secretary and treasurer of the organization. After a year of service he was appointed to the position of manager, and later on he was honored with the office of superintendent. Here Mr. Barber's executive ability at once manifested itself, and it is not too much to say that no small portion of the success the corporation has attained is due to his efficient, enterprising, yet conservative management. In town affairs he has always been keenly interested, having been for two years a member of the Republican Town Committee and its present Chairman. He has just been elected Representative from Putnam, and will "win his spurs" as a legislator in the session of 1894 and 1895, his colleague being E. M. Warner, Esq. Mr. Barber was married November 14, 1894, to Mary Louise, daughter of Carlo and Sarah (Child) May, of East Woodstock, and the newly married couple will reside in a pleasant house, just erected by Mr. Barber, on School street. He is a member of the present Town School Board and one of the acting School Visitors. For several years he was Foreman of Hose Company No. 3, the department later raising him to the position of Second Asst. Engineer. As a "joiner," Mr. Barber doubtless holds the record, as he is a member of the Odd Fellows, Masons, Golden Cross, Royal Arcanum and Knights of Pythias, holding responsible offices in nearly all of them. As a citizen of Putnam he is deeply interested in its future, and his position at the head of one of its successful corporations renders his counsel of value in all that pertains to its growth and welfare. As a successful business man Mr. Barber and the foundry are synonymous terms.
Edgar M. Warner, of Putnam, was the youngest of six children born to Earl and Adeline (Lester) Warner, his birthplace being Worcester, Mass., June 16, 1850. He was educated in the public and private schools of New London, finishing his school days in the Bartlett High School of that town. He then taught school for two or three years, having in view the study of law. To this end he entered the office of Hiram Willey, of New London, then Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, studying later with George Pratt, also one of the leading lawyers of Norwich. In 1872 he was graduated from the Harvard Law School, and was admitted to the New London County bar the same year. He continued to practice in Norwich for three years, moving later to Central Village, where he remained till 1885, when he moved to Putnam. August 3, 1887, he married Jennie E. Carpenter, eldest daughter of Probate Judge John A. and Marcia (Chandler) Carpenter. Three children have been born to them, Frances Lester, Gertrude Chandler, and John A. C. Warner. In 1889 Mr. Warner purchased a house on South Main street, where he now resides. He was Clerk of the Connecticut General Assembly in '77, '78, '79, and Clerk of the Senate in '80. His Republican friends in Putnam have honored him by electing him as one of the members of the General Assembly for this session, his colleague being William R. Barber. Mr. Warner has also been a member of the School Board and one of the Acting Visitors. His fraternal affiliations are with the Royal Arcanum, the Free Masons, and the Odd Fellows.
MERRITT E. GALLUP

MERRITT E. GALLUP, of Ashford, was born in Mansfield, August 28, 1847. He was educated in the public schools. During the past twenty years he has become well and favorably known as a first-class contractor and builder. For four years he was located at Waterbury. The handsome and model Pritchard block of that city is one monument of his handiwork. He has built many admirable blocks and residences. He is one of the three Democrats in the House from Windham County, the stronghold of Republicanism. He has been a member of the Town Board of Relief.

On March 23, 1870, he married Sarah J. Clarke. They have four children—Lena M., Charles F., William H., and Arthur M. Mr. Gallup is a member of the Grange, and is an Odd Fellow.
George O. Balch, of Ashford, was born in Mansfield, September 26, 1855. He received his education in the district school. He was a merchant for several years, but now is engaged as clerk in the general store of J. A. Murphy, his father-in-law. He has creditably held several town offices. In March, 1880, Mr. Balch married Abbie M. Murphy. They have one son, Robert M. Mr. Balch is a member of the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Rivers. His uniform geniality has gained for him many a warm friend at the capitol.
George L. Bradford, of Canterbury, was born in Canterbury August 5, 1865, and is the youngest of six children. He attended the district school until 17 years of age, since which time he has been prospered as a farmer and blacksmith.

The Bradford family is one of the oldest in the country. The subject of this sketch is the eighth descendant of Governor Bradford, who came over in the Mayflower. He was married January 1, 1890, to Nella F. Babcock, of Plainfield. They have one child, a daughter, Alice N. Mr. Bradford is a member of Canterbury Grange, No. 76. He is an active Selectman of his town, and is a Republican.
NEWELL CLINTON HUNT

Newell Clinton Hunt, of Chaplin, was born in that town January 3, 1853, the eldest child of Henry and Phebe (Curtis) Hunt. He received his education in the public and select schools of his native town. By occupation he is a farmer, and one who has always been thoroughly interested in his chosen calling. In politics he has always been a Republican, and has held the various town offices, being elected tax-collector by both parties, and for several years on the Board of Education. Mr. Hunt is a thoroughly public-spirited citizen, always ready to act for the best interests of his town and State.

He was married on December 8, 1875, to E. Jessie Robbins, two daughters having come to brighten their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt are members of the Congregational Church, and Mr. Hunt has been superintendent of the Sabbath School for two years past.
GURDON BRADFORD MARCY

Gurdon Bradford Marcy, of Eastford, was born in the town of Ashford, December 22, 1855, and received a common-school education.

At the age of 13 he came to Eastford, where he has since resided, with the exception of three years, when he was in Massachusetts. He carries on a blacksmithing business, and by first-class work and honorable dealings has gained a large patronage for miles around.

He has acceptably held several local offices, and in politics is Republican. He is a Royal Arch Mason, being a member of Putnam Lodge, No. 46, and Putnam Chapter, No. 41.
WILLIAM H. LINCOLN

William H. Lincoln, of Hampton, was born in Ashford November 20, 1835, and was educated in the common and select schools. He is engaged in farming, and has held the offices of Constable, Justice of the Peace, and Member of the Board of Relief. He has held most of the local offices of his town.

Mr. Lincoln's father, William, was a successful farmer, and a popular member of the House in 1871. On November 29, 1859, he married Emma Woodworth, of Hampton.

They have one daughter, Carrie L., wife of Carll A. Lewis. Mr. Lincoln is treasurer of Little River Grange, No. 36. He has one of the best farms in his section, well-known as "The Pearl Farm" for generations past. He is a Republican.
FREDERICK A. JACOBS

Frederick A. Jacobs, of Killingly, is a native of Danielsonville, and was born October 15, 1855. He is a son of Oliver P. and Charlotte (Hill) Jacobs. He was educated in the public schools. He commenced his business career as clerk in the hardware store of J. P. Chamberlain & Co. He occupied the position until the store was purchased by E. H. and O. P. Jacobs. A line of mill supplies were added. He continued with the new firm until the hardware business was sold to William O. and O. P. Jacobs, and he, in company with his brother, E. H., continued in the mill supply business under the firm name of E. H. Jacobs & Co. The company was incorporated in 1890 with a capital of $500,000 under name of The E. H. Jacobs Manufacturing Company. F. A. Jacobs has been Treasurer of the company since its organization.

Mr. Jacobs has been a director of the First National Bank since 1892. He was the first President of the Danielsonville Board of Trade.

He was Warden of the borough in 1887. He has been President of the Riverview Association since its inception, and Treasurer of the Westfield Congregational Sunday-school the past ten years, also a Deacon of the church and a member of the Society Committee.

Mr. Jacobs has been an extensive traveler. He spent the summer of 1892 in Europe. On May 3, 1882, he married Clara E., daughter of Walter Barber of New Haven. They have had five children; Walter F., Alice M., Majorie J., Laura G., and Charlotte C., deceased. Mr. Jacobs is one of Danielsonville's foremost enterprising citizens, and has done much to further the borough's advancement.
ESQUARE BARTLETT MILLER

Esquare Bartlett Miller, of Killingly, was born in Killingly, August 25, 1827, being the fourth child of Welcome and Elsie (Bartlett) Miller. He was educated in the common schools of Killingly, and upon the completion of his schooling worked at farming on the home place and for others. He married when at the age of 19 years Sarah H. Warren, of Killingly. Six children were born to them, five of whom are still living, the eldest being employed in Hartford as assistant foreman of the car shops of the N. Y., N. H. & H R. R., where he has been continuously for sixteen years. The other sons are residents of Killingly and engaged in business.

At the age of 20 years Mr. Miller entered the employ of William Burgess as a carpenter and joiner, and followed that business for about four years, in the employ of various parties, when he went into business for himself. He followed the trade of carpenter and joiner for three or four years, when he entered the employ of the firm of S. & H. Sayles, at Killingly, as Master Mechanic and Superintendent of Construction. He served the above firm in that capacity until the spring of 1866, when he entered the employ of Ezekiel Webster, at Dayville; continued in his service for about a year, and then accepted the position of Master Mechanic and Superintendent of Construction for the Mechanicsville Company, at Mechanicsville, Conn., serving that firm acceptably for about one year. In the election of 1868, Mr. Miller was elected a member of the Board of Selectmen of Killingly, and by them was chosen Clerk of the Board, and continuously elected as Selectman and Clerk of the Board for twelve years, vacating that office in 1880.

During his term of service as Selectman of the town, while not engaged in town business, he followed his trade of contractor and builder, and many private houses in various sections of the town were erected by him, as well as many more pretentious buildings, among them being the church and school house, the mill, No. 3, (250 x 50 ft., 4 stories), and the Store Building, all at Williamsville.

In 1880, in company with Underwood & Bowen, he contracted with The Quinebaug Company, at Danielsonville, for the erection of a factory building 495 ft. long 90 ft. wide, also a number of tenement houses, the aggregate of the contract being about $100,000.

Since then he has followed his business in Killingly. He has served the town in various offices beside that of Selectman, serving as Justice of Peace for two terms, also serving as Constable and District Committee.

Mr. Miller is a prominent member of the A. F. and A. M., the O. U. A. M. and the K. of P. He joined the Putnam Lodge, F. and A. M. No. 15, at Danielsonville, entered as a charter member, and served the lodge as one of its first Masters. He is also a member of Warren Chapter and Montgomery Council.

In politics Mr. Miller was a "Douglas Democrat" before the Rebellion, but since that time has been an active and zealous Republican, always ready to respond with his time and money to his party's call. He was elected a Representative from the town of Killingly in the election of 1894, receiving a majority of 310 votes.
Amasa Peleg Taber, of Plainfield, was born in Cazenovia, N.Y., December 29, 1846.

He received an excellent education in the public schools and at the Schofield commercial college, where he graduated in 1869. He acted as bookkeeper for four years, and for a quarter of a century has been engaged in general merchandise business. For four years he was postmaster at Greene, R.I., and has been a Justice of the Peace. He was a private in Battery E. First R. I. Light Artillery, and is an honored member of James Kilburn Post, No. 77, G. A. R., of Central Village, also a popular member and officer of several prominent secret societies, having attained Scottish degrees in Masonry. He was married December 29, 1868, to Peora F. Jenks, of Foster, R.I. They have two children, Irving A., manager of his father's store, and Abbie P., who is to graduate this year from the East Greenwich Academy.

Mr. Taber has always been regarded as a progressive business man, interesting himself not only in the affairs of his own establishment, but also to be counted upon in matters relating to the improvement of the town in which he lives. He has an immense store, and has built up a large and ever-increasing business, which he richly deserves.

He is a strong Republican.
Lucius B. Morgan, of Plainfield, was born in Canterbury, July 19, 1839, and is a son of Elisha A. and Philura Bacon Morgan. When about four years old his parents removed to Plainfield.

His education was received in the schools of his town and at Plainfield Academy, then taught by Rev. Lucian Burleigh.

Since that time he has lived at his present home and devoted his time largely to farming.

Mr. Morgan is a staunch Republican, and his first vote was cast for Abraham Lincoln.

He has faithfully served on the Board of Selectmen for four years. He is a member of Plainfield Grange.
FRANCIS H. BIRD

Francis H. Bird, of Pomfret, was born in Merrimac, Mass., December 13, 1860, and was educated in the public school of that place, graduating from the High School.

He has been engaged in the retail grocery business, until four years ago, when he went into poultry raising.

Mr. Bird is a member of the Odd Fellows and Masonic orders, and has served three years as Secretary of the Masonic Lodge. He is also a member of E. Douglas Lodge, A. O. U. W., and has represented that Lodge in the Grand Lodge.

In politics Mr. Bird has always been a Republican.
Albert B. Smith, of Pomfret, is a native of that town, having been born May 6, 1847. He is a farmer and broom manufacturer by occupation.

Mr. Smith enjoys the perfect confidence of his townsmen, as proved by the fact that he has acted as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen for several years, and having been elected to the Legislature in November, 1894, by a good majority. As a faithful, courteous and obliging official he has won the respect of all with whom he has come in contact.

Mr. Smith is a veteran of the late war, serving as a private in Company G, Twenty-sixth Connecticut Volunteers, traversing the entire length of the Mississippi River. He has been Treasurer of the Wolf Den Grange since its organization, and is Warden of Putnam Lodge, F. and A. M., Woodstock. As conservator and guardian of several persons he has gained a creditable reputation.

In 1879 he married Mary I. Swift, of Ashford, one daughter, Marion, having blessed their union.
ENOCHE A. DOUGLAS

Enoch A. Douglas, of Sterling, was born in Plainfield April 4, 1853, and received a common-school education. He has been a Judge of Probate since 1890. For the past fifteen years he has been a dealer in wool, in which trade he has built up an excellent business, due to his giving personal attention to his customers' interests, and purchasing wool in all the New England States and New York State. He is a Republican, and was elected Representative by an unusually large majority. Mr. Douglas was married June 13, 1889, to Mary Mason Baker, of Sterling, a graduate of the Normal School, Providence, and for several years a successful teacher. They have one child, Blanche.
E. HERBERT CORTTIS

E. Herbert Corttis, of Thompson, was born in Thompson, June 10, 1862. He received a college education, graduating from Amherst in 1884. He has creditably held the offices of Town Auditor, Tax Collector and School Visitor, and holds the last office now; he is also County Auditor. He is a Republican, and was a member of the last House, serving on the Judiciary Committee. He is engaged in the business of farming. On August 29, 1894, he married Miss Ida A. Stearns, of Danielsonville.

Mr. Corttis is Chairman of the Committee on Manual and Roll, and Clerk of the Committee on Education, filling both positions in an able manner.

His natural ability and faithfulness are appreciated by his townsmen, as shown by the continued honors showered upon him.
George T. Bixby, of Thompson, is a native of that town, and was born March 7, 1837. He was educated in the public schools and Nichold's Academy. He has held nearly every office in the gift of the town, and has been a popular president of the Woodstock Agricultural Society. He represented his town in the Legislature of 1892, being a prominent Republican member. Mr. Bixby is a director in the First National Bank of Putnam, and is engaged in farming. His only son, Halsey Greene, died March 3, 1895, and was a promising student in Amherst College.
FRANK R. JACKSON

FRANK R. JACKSON, of Woodstock, was born in Woodstock, October 17, 1853, and received his education in the district and select schools. He is a successful farmer.

He is widely known as a popular and active Republican. His county has honored him by electing him messenger in the House in the Legislatures of 1886, 1891 and 1893. He has very acceptably held the town office of Constable, and is now a registrar and a grand juror. On December 23, 1876, he married Julia Putnam, of North Ashford. He is a member of the Crystal Lake Grange, Eastford and is a Mason. He serves on the Railroad Committee.
DAVID T. GOODWIN

David T. Goodwin, of Woodstock, was born in the town of Londonderry, N. H., fifty-five years ago, of English parentage, and was brought up on a farm. He received a common-school education, and graduated in 1863 at Eastman's Commercial College. He enlisted in a "crack" regiment, Company C, Fourth Massachusetts Heavy Artillery, and served in the Army of the Potomac during the continuance of the war. In December, 1865, he married and went West, residing a number of years in the State of Minnesota, where he was a merchant and where he held town and county offices. He returned East with his family, and in 1878 assumed the position of Superintendent of Roseland Park, which at that time was only in its initial stage, and for seventeen years he has prepared for the reception of the most distinguished visitors of our own country, as well as from abroad, to the renowned annual Fourth of July celebrations. Mr. Goodwin is an active member of the Congregational Church of Woodstock, and a Trustee of Woodstock Academy. He was for a number of years Secretary of the Young Republican Club of Woodstock, is one of the charter members of Woodstock Lodge, No. 42, A. O. U. W., and for nearly three years its secretary, when he was called to the chair, and later represented his lodge at the Grand Lodge; he has also for many years served as Secretary of Putnam Lodge, No. 46, F. and A. M. He has for a number of terms held the office of Justice of the Peace.
Frank Day is a native of Brooklyn, 45 years old. He was educated in the common schools and the West Killingly Academy. His business is farming, and he has been prominent in local affairs, being now a secretary of the school board, an assessor and registrar. He has been president and secretary of the Windham County Agricultural Society and a member of the State Board of Agriculture. He was a member of the House of 1889 and is a Republican.

John Owen Smith is a native of Canterbury, and 54 years of age. After receiving a common and select school education he taught school for some time, having graduated from the State Normal School at New Britain, in 1865. He studied medicine, and graduated from the New York Eclectic Medical College in 1882. He is superintendent of the public schools of Canterbury, and town health officer. In politics he is a Republican.

Frank W. Bacon is one of the Windham Democratic members, and was born in Monson, Mass., forty years ago. He is a blacksmith by trade.
WILLIAM T. MARSH

WILLIAM T. MARSH, of Litchfield, is one of the Democratic minority. He is 45 years old, born in Litchfield in 1849. He received a common-school education, and remained in his native town. He has conducted for many years a coal and lumber business. He has been prominent in town affairs, having been a member of the Board of Burgesses, warden of the borough, Registrar, and held other town offices. He is at present a member of the Board of Relief. He has long been a director in the savings bank at Litchfield. Mr. Marsh was a member of the famous "dead-lock" session of the State Assembly, and was a member of the House Committee on Rules. He was re-elected two years ago, making this his third consecutive term.
WELLINGTON BROWN SMITH

WELLINGTON BROWN SMITH, of Winchester, is a member of the well-known law firm of Smith & Munn, of 345 Main street, West Winsted. His partner is Frank B. Munn. Mr. Smith was born June 3, 1856, and is 38 years of age. He was admitted to practice law in this State in 1877, and settled where he still lives. He has a large civil and criminal practice. He has never married. His father is in business in New Hartford with his son George W. Smith, who is senator from the eighteenth district, under the firm name of D. B. Smith & Son, manufacturers of cotton duck. The family originally came from Haddam, his grandmother on his father's side being a Brainard. Mr. Smith's mother was a Virginian of the Brown lineage. He has always been a Republican.

He is a man of keen, intuitive perceptions, in itself a valuable adjunct for a legislator, and also blessed, in large measure, with that useful commodity characterized by one of our Supreme Court as "sound horse sense." He is a true friend, and a hard fighter for his idea of right. He is not tinctured with any of the isms of the day, nor is he afraid to change his views, if honest argument, backed by facts, prove him to have been wrong.

With a Legislature composed of just such men, there would be no reason for a "Corrupt Practices Act."

He is a hard and faithful worker for his party.
Jay E. Spaulding, Representative from the town of Winchester, Litchfield County, was born in Northampton, N. Y., August 15, 1846, is 48 years old. He came to Winsted in 1866, and has resided there ever since, with the exception of two years that he was in the Old National Bank of Grand Rapids, Mich. He began in Winsted as a clerk in the hardware business and afterward was in company with J. J. Whiting and S. F. Dickerman in that business.

After retiring from that business he went to Grand Rapids, Mich., and on his return to Winsted took an interest with John G. Wetmore in the New England Pin Company, having now been connected with that company for twenty-two years; first as office man and secretary, for the past ten years the general manager of the company. It is one of the oldest and most reliable companies in the town.

He is also president of the Morgan Silver Plate Company, manufacturers of coffin hardware, is a stockholder in several companies and a director in quite a number, being looked upon as one of Winsted's most able business men.

In politics he is an energetic Republican and has served the borough of Winsted a long term, both as warden and burgess; has been treasurer of the town of Winchester for five years and holds the office now.

Mr. Spaulding has been prominent in the fire department, one of the vice-presidents in the State Association, a trustee of Memorial Park and Soldiers' Monument Association and is on the committee of the water improvement and tunneling the mountain, beside being agent of the estate of J. G. Wetmore.

He is a member of Committee on Incorporations and Clerk of Litchfield County Representatives.
Charles E. Ford, of Canaan, is another young member of the House. He is only 31 years of age, born at Falls Village, November 27, 1863. He was educated in the common schools and received a mercantile training at Eastman’s business college, Poughkeepsie. He is a popular young man, and has the hearty good-will of Democrats as well as Republicans. He is a registrar of voters, an office which he has held some time. He is engaged in the drug business. In politics he is a Republican. He is a party worker, and his efficient services have won him a seat at the capitol. This is his first acquaintance with the legislative halls.
GEORGE W. REMINGTON

George W. Remington, of Colebrook, was born in Meredith, Delaware County, N. Y., July 16, 1842. He received a common-school education and attended afterward the Delaware Literary Institute at Franklin, N. Y., one of the best academies in the Empire State at that time, and later at Cincinnatus Academy, Cortland County, N. Y. He is a Baptist minister, and has been in Colebrook seven years, going there from Chenango County, New York, to take the pastorate of the North and South Colebrook churches. His first experience in the Nutmeg State was during the blizzard of 1888. He has always felt an interest in political affairs and in the cause of temperance. He was a delegate from Colebrook to the State convention held in Hartford last October. He has twice been elected acting school visitor, secretary of the School Board and a member of the committee to examine teachers. He is a loyal Republican, and this is his first term in the State Legislature.
FREDERICK W. YUTZLER

Frederick W. Yutzler, of Cornwall, is a native of Germany, and is 41 years of age. He was born at Oppenheim, July 15, 1853. He was educated in the district school; he is a barber; he has been Constable and Justice of the Peace, but at present holds no town offices. He has not been a State legislator before. He will act with the Democratic party at the coming session.
Andrew M. Clark, of Cornwall, was born and has always lived in that town. The date of his birth was June 19, 1857. He received his education in the district school and Cornwall select school. He is engaged in dairy farming, to which business he gives his close personal attention, and being known as a hard-working, progressive young man, who has the confidence and esteem of all his fellow-citizens. He was elected because of this confidence in him and the belief that he would conscientiously and capably look after Cornwall’s interests in the Legislature, beside taking a decided stand in all State matters. He has been director in the Mohawk Tower Corporation, and trustee in the Methodist Church for a number of years. Mr. Clark is a loyal Republican, being the first representative of that party elected from his town since 1886. His family history is one of the most interesting in Connecticut, the George Clark family, from which he is descended, having come from England to Milford, Conn., during Charles I.’s persecution of the Puritan ministers.

Sarah, daughter of George Clark, was the mother of Gov. Jonathan Law, born in 1674, and elected Governor of the Colony of Connecticut in 1741 and annually until his death, in 1750. Abraham Clark, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, was from Milford, and was connected with this branch of the Clark family, old papers in the possession of Sheldon Clark being in accord with that fact. Barber’s History of Connecticut says: “George Clark, of Milford, with seven others, bought the township of Willington in the year 1720.”

George Clark, sixth, was a revolutionary soldier, enlisting at Cambridge in 1775. His grandsons, Elizur and William Alanson, were the originators of the Clark matches, probably the first friction matches known.
HENRY HOPKINS CATLIN

Henry Hopkins Catlin, of Harwinton, represents his native town, where he was born November 2, 1841. Having grown up among the people, and in the vocation of a farmer attained and held the esteem of his fellow-citizens, his long experience during a life of fifty-three years makes him amply fitted to honor the town of Harwinton. He was educated in the common school and academy. He has not been elected previously to any office, national, State, or local or corporate, nor has he been a member of the House. He is a steadfast Republican, and will be found ready to support Republican endeavors. He is an old soldier, having had an honorable service as a private in Company A, Second Connecticut Heavy Artillery.
Benjamin F. Page, of Harwinton, is 57 years old, born in Warren, October 24, 1837. He was educated in the common schools and spent some time at Eagle Academy in Goshen. When a young man he enlisted in Company E, Eighth Connecticut Volunteers, September 25, 1861. He served with ability and re-enlisted December 23, 1863, as a veteran in the field. He served with distinction through the war and was honorably discharged May 31, 1865, with the rank of Sergeant. He was wounded at Fort Harrison, October 1, 1864. Returning home, he settled in Harwinton. He has held the office of Constable for a series of years, and was elected Justice at the November election. He is a farmer. Always sustaining the flag for which he fought, he has labored in the Republican ranks.
George Theodore Johnson, of Norfolk, who has been honored with the title of Representative, was born in Watertown, June 29, 1854. He removed to Norfolk several years ago and engaged in the drug business. He received his education in the common schools, after which he attended a grammar school in New Haven. He has not heretofore held any office, but has paid strict attention to his business. He is a well-known apothecary. This is his first insight into the duties of a legislator. He is a Republican, and will be found a zealous supporter of the party in the House.
Alberto T. Roraback, who represents the town of North Canaan, was born in Sheffield, Mass., in 1849. The years of his boyhood and early youth were spent on his father's farm in the town of his birth. His education, begun in the public schools of the town, was supplemented by a course at South Berkshire Institute, New Marlboro, Mass., and at Genesee Seminary in New York State. In 1870 he began the study of law with Judge Donald J. Warner in Salisbury, and was admitted to the bar from his office in 1872. Since that time he has enjoyed a lucrative and increasing practice, and has for some years been regarded as one of the leaders of the bar in the western part of the State. From 1889 to 1893 as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for Litchfield County he made an enviable judicial record, no decision of his having been reported as overruled by the Supreme Court. During the whole of his active life the judge has been an enthusiastic in politics, taking an active part in the councils of his party. At present he represents the Nineteenth District on the Republican State Central Committee, and has held the same position in former years.

As a member of the House he has made a place for himself among the leaders, serving as clerk of the committee on the Judiciary, and chairman of the committee on Sale of Lands.
HUBERT WILLIAMS

Hubert Williams, of Salisbury, is forty-one years of age, and was born in Lakeville September 10, 1853. He was educated in the common schools and completed his preparation for the practice of law by graduating from Columbia Law School in 1873. He has since been engaged in the duties of a law office, and given considerable attention to manufacturing. He has held the office of Selectman and has been a member of the Board of School Visitors. He is very popular, and as an aggressive, sterling Republican has made a record to be proud of. He will be found an earnest advocate of Republican measures at this session.
LAWRENCE VAN ALSTYNE

Lawrence Van Alstyne, of Sharon, Conn., was born in the town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, August 2, 1839, was educated in the common schools, learned the trade of iron molding, which he abandoned for that of carpenter and builder, making the latter the chief occupation of his life.

Mr. Van Alstyne was one of the first to respond to President Lincoln's call for 300,000 volunteers, enlisted in Company B, 128th Regiment, N. Y. S. Volunteers, and participated in many of the principal battles of the war. Sergeant Van Alstyne did special service in recruiting colored men for the army, often inside of the enemy's lines—particularly hazardous work. Mr. Van Alstyne was married soon after the war and settled in Sharon, Conn., where he has since resided.

He has one child, Elizabeth, who can trace her descent, on her father's side, from Lambert Van Alstyne, one of the original settlers of Kinderhook, N. Y., 1659, and on her mother's side from Bigot Eggleston, who came from England to Dorchester, Mass., in 1630, and who died in Windsor, Conn., 1674, aged nearly one hundred years.

Mr. Van Alstyne is a Republican. He is a member of the Holland Society of New York, of Hamilton Lodge, No. 54, F. and A. M., is Adjutant of J. M. Gregory Post 59, G. A. R., Department of Connecticut, and is a life member of the Connecticut Historical Society.
WILLARD A. RORABACK

WILLARD A. RORABACK, of Torrington, was born in New Marlboro, Mass., March 12, 1860, his parents having moved there from Columbia county, N. Y. In his brief life he has held many offices. He was educated in the common schools, graduating from the Canaan, Conn., high school. He studied law, and was admitted to the Litchfield county bar in June 1883. He pursued his law studies and graduated from the office of his cousin, Ex-Judge A. T. Roraback, of Canaan. He was Tax Collector for the town of Torrington three years. He has been Justice of the Peace for ten years, and chairman of the Republican Town Committee since 1886. He is serving his fifth term as Town Clerk and Borough Clerk. He has filled all these offices with ability, and is held in high esteem by his fellow-townsmen.

He has always been a Republican and has done a great deal of work for the party. He has not been a member of the Legislature before. Mr. Roraback is Clerk of the Committee on Finance and a member of the Committees on Contested Elections and Putnam County Memorial Camp.

His family history is very interesting, his paternal grandmother being a Scott, and tracing her ancestry to Sir Walter Scott.
George Carter Hopkins, of Warren, is a native and life-long resident of the town that he represents, and one of its best-known and leading citizens. He was born there Jan. 16, 1837, son of Deacon William Hopkins, who was also one of the prominent men of the community. Representative George C. Hopkins began his education in the common schools at home and subsequently studied at Dexter's Seminary in Rochester, N. Y. He has for years occupied a position of influence in his town and neighborhood, and is a member of the Board of Selectmen, of the district school committee, and of the committee of the Ecclesiastical Society and also of the Congregational Church. He has always been a Republican and in 1894 was elected to the Legislature by a very large majority in a town which two years before went heavily Democratic.

Mr. Hopkins owns a very large farm, some 450 acres, and his home is one of the most attractive places in beautiful Litchfield County. It stands on high land on the north side of Lake Waramaug, under Mt. Waramaug, and the view from certain elevated parts of his lands has been pronounced by Dr. Horace Bushnell one of the choicest to be found. Mr. Hopkins has two large houses, and it is his custom, as it was his father's before him, to entertain summer guests. His present houses, after the present enlargements are completed, will accommodate about one hundred persons. The roll of those who have spent their summers there would include a noteworthy array of names, headed by the Rev. Dr. Horace Bushnell, who was there for a dozen seasons in succession. The pure air, the beautiful walks and drives, the boating and fishing on the lake, and the social attractions of the house delight all who have experience of this hospitable place. Mr. Hopkins has, of course, a large amount of live stock of various sorts upon his farm, raises fine horses, and manages his large estate with marked ability.

Mrs. Hopkins was formerly Miss Louise Lemmon, of New Preston (Washington), and they have three children—William L., Howard C. and Myron P.
SAMUEL CLAYTON KINGMAN

Samuel Clayton Kingman, of Washington, was born in Wakefield, Mass., May 15, 1830, and graduated at the high school as valedictorian.

He served his time as a machinist and toolmaker at Lawrence, Mass. In 1852 he engaged with the Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine Co., of Watertown, Conn., and has been with the company since that time as master machinist and contractor. He is one of the oldest sewing machine needle makers in the country, and his patents for improved machinery are many. November 17, 1853, he married Miss Emily Eustis Brooks, of Kingfield, Me., at East Haverhill, Mass., and they have five daughters: Ella Pamela, born in Watertown, Conn., now Mrs. Horace L. Eames, of Bridgeport; Mary Hills, born in Watertown, now Mrs. Frank S. Buckingham, of Washington; Katie Brooks, born in Bridgeport, now Mrs. Edward W. Buckingham, of Bridgeport; Carrie Emily, born in Bridgeport, now Mrs. Hiram B. Loomis, of Hartford, and Evelyn Clayton, born in Bridgeport, and at present a resident of Washington. The subject of this sketch was an active Republican during the War of the Rebellion, and serving in the Christian Commission was often at the front as an agent for the distribution of the soldiers’ fund. His military record, like his father’s, is above the average. He served in Company B, Light Artillery, until its disbandment, and enlisting in Company B, Fourth Regiment, was promoted to Inspector of Rifle Practice of the regiment in 1876, and to Brigade Inspector in 1890.

He has held many offices of trust, as councilman, grand juror, police commissioner, one of the school committee, and for some years was treasurer of the Bridgeport Hospital. In 1890 he built a home in Washington, Conn., where he has since resided. He still takes an active part in public affairs, serving as justice of the peace, notary public, sealer of public weights and measures, member of the board of education, and game warden. He is expert with the rifle and his hobby is guns and rifles, his collection of them being quite noted, as is his collection of old coins and curiosities. Many of his rare books he has lately given to libraries in this State and Massachusetts, and still has a large number left at his home at Washington, on the banks of the Shepang River.
HENRY T. DAYTON

Henry T. Dayton, of Watertown, was born in the town that he represents fifty-three years ago, January 22, 1842. He received a common school and academic education; he has been one of the most prominent men of the town for years; he has always been engaged in farming, but is now retired from active work; he is at present Trial Justice; his Christian character has always been marked for its thorough uprightness; he is Senior Deacon in the Congregational Church and is clerk of the church; his interest in agricultural matters has always made him foremost in grange work and he is Master of Watertown Grange, No. 122, and Lecturer of Pomona Grange, No. 7, as well as otherwise allied with the interests of the Order; he was a member of the Board of Selectmen for eight years and for four years he was Chairman of the Board; he was Collector of Taxes seven years and Constable as many more; he was for some time Chairman of the School Committee; he was the first Master of Excelsior Grange, No. 7. Mr. Dayton was also one of the incorporators of the Watertown Savings Bank, and has been a director and appraiser since its formation. He was also one of the hardest workers in the movement to obtain a new town hall. For ten years he was treasurer of the church and he has held various other offices; he is a loyal Republican, but with a conscientious sense of duty to his State, his town and his family.
George H. Whitney is the second representative. He has been postmaster at Riverton for five years. He was born at Barkhamsted and is 32 years old. He is a Republican and a merchant.

Andrew M. Booth is a young man of 38 years. He claims New Milford as his native place, where he was born April 14, 1856. He was educated in the common schools. He has not been a State legislator before. He is at present grand juror, an office to which he was reelected. He has been engaged in mercantile business. Although young he has shown himself to be an active business man. He will be found on the Democratic side.

Abel C. Everett was born in Sharon but has long been a resident of Barkhamsted. He was educated in the common schools, not having the opportunity to attend college. He has not held any offices heretofore. He has followed agricultural pursuits all his life and has become a well-to-do-farmer. He is highly esteemed by the residents of the town in the Litchfield hills. This is his first experience at the capitol and he is one of the great Republican majority.

Clayton H. Deming is a native of the town he represents. He was born in Colebrook, January 20, 1856, and is nearly 29 years of age. He received a common school education but did not have an opportunity of attending college. He has never held any offices, State local or corporate, nor has he ever been a member of the General Assembly previous to this session. He has generally been engaged in farming. He will act with the Democratic party.

James P. Vail was born in Cornwall, May 25, 1844, and is 50 years of age. He received a common school education and spent one winter at the Alger Institute in Cornwall. He has never held any offices. He has long been recognized as one of the town's prosperous farmers. In the ranks of the Republican party he has always been a generous worker. This is the first time that he has been elected to a seat in the General Assembly. He will act with the Republicans.

Daniel N. Lucas is a native of Goshen, born June 27, 1835, and is now in his fiftieth year. He enjoyed a common school and academic education. He has always been engaged in farming. He is an assessor of the town and has held the office for ten years. He has always held the highest respect of the citizens, and it was due to his intense popularity that he received such a flattering election in November. He has always been a Republican and will act with the party in the General Assembly. This is his first experience within a legislative body.

George Kenney is one of the oldest members of the House. He was born in Litchfield, November 28, 1824, and is over 70 years of age. He received a common school education and has been a faithful citizen of his native town for three-score and ten years. He is still vigorous, hale and hearty and enters into political enthusiasm with the zeal and ardor of a young man. He was for fourteen years proprietor of the stage from Litchfield to East Litchfield. For as many years he was a dealer in flour, feed, coal, lime, brick and builders' materials. He is at present agent for Adams Express Company. He holds the office of tax collector and is a director in the savings bank. This is his first mission at the capitol and he will be found with the Republican side every time.

Edward K. Wooster is also a native of the town he will represent, having been born in Bridgewater, September 17, 1861. He was educated in the public schools and by private instruction. Although a young man, only 33 years of age, he has already been honored by receiving elections to the board of selectmen and board of relief, and he still holds the latter office. He is a farmer. He has not been a member of the House before. Like David B. Hill, he is not downcast at the Republican landslide, but is proud to assert "I am a Democrat."

Edwin H. Clark was born at South Farms October 13, 1845, making him 46 years of age. He had a common school training supplemented by a course in Morris Academy from which he graduated in the class of '70. He has always been prominent in town affairs and has been intimately associated with the duties of town offices for years. He is at present town clerk and for nine years he was a member of the board of selectmen. He conducts a creamery in connection with his farm. He has not always been engaged in farming but was a merchant for nearly ten years. He is a Democrat.

John Lyman Roberts is a native of Kent, born January 22, 1841. He received a common school education. He was not privileged with a college training nor has he previously held any offices. He has long been a merchant and by strict attention to business has won the confidence of his friends. He has never been a representative before, but his long business life makes him particularly adapted to make a creditable record for his town. He is a Republican and a firm believer in the principles of the party. He will be a strong worker for Republican measures. He is nearly 54 years of age.

Frank Stoughton was born in Barkhamsted, April 1, 1858, and is 46 years of age. He received an academic education and graduated from the famous "Gunnery" of Washington. He lived in Washington until he was 32 years of age when he removed to Bethlehem. He has held a town office there every year since he was made a voter. He was selectman for seven years and has been grand juror, tax collector and president of the board of health. He still holds the office of road supervisor and is a member of the board of relief and of the town committee. He has always lived on a farm and he has a good income from well-stocked property. His long association with town affairs makes him a valuable legislator. He has always been a Republican and may be counted upon to serve his party well at the capitol.

Hudson M. Seymour, who represents New Hartford, is a native of the town. He was born August 6, 1842. He has generally been engaged in farming. He was educated in the district school, afterward attending the State normal school. He received the advantages of a course at the Connecticut Literary Institute and at H. G. Eastman's Business College in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He has never held any offices in the town nor has he ever represented his fellow-citizens in the General Assembly. His thorough business education and his long association with the best interests of the town will make him a valuable representative. He is a Republican.
JOSEPH RANSLEY GILLETTE, who is one of New Hartford's representatives, is an Ohioan by birth. His native place is South Thompson, Geauga County, Ohio, where he was born, forty-six years ago, on March 28, 1848. He was educated in the district school. His father, however, was a native of Bakersville, a district in New Hartford. After his family removed to Pennsylvania, where Mr. Gillette lived until he was 9 years of age, his father bought a farm in which residence was held and the family came back to Bakersville. Mr. Gillette is a farmer but has been prominent in politics. He is a grand juror and member of the board of relief. The latter office he has held since 1890. He is a Republican.

OBED H. STANNARD was born at Norfolk, January 30, 1804, and is nearly 76 years of age. He received a good education in the public schools and instruction in the South Berkshire Institute in New Marlboro, Mass. With the exception of three winters spent in teaching he has been engaged continuously in farming. He is a member of Manchester Grange. He has always taken an interest in the order. He has never held any offices in his town. He is a practical man and is thoroughly alive to reforms and improvements. He is a strong Republican.

HENRY E. STOUGHTON is a young man of thorough business training. He was born in Plymouth thirty years ago. Educated in the Plymouth schools and in the higher departments of education in a New Haven grammar school, his ability secured him a position in the Thomaston Savings Bank, of which he is now the secretary. He has always been active in politics. He holds the office of tax collector in which position he has served four years. He was secretary of the school board, and acting school visitor of Plymouth in 1892 and 1893, and is at present a member of the school board and of the town committee. He is a Republican, a vigorous party worker. This was his first acquaintance with affairs of the General Assembly.

FRANCIS A. SQUIRE is a native of Roxbury, born June 10, 1844. He had a common-school training, and grew up with the respect of his fellow-townsmen. He has been honored with the office of town clerk. He is at present assessor and tax collector. He has not been elected to the General Assembly before this year. He has generally been a dealer in cattle. He has always been a Republican and will be found working for the State and constituency that he represents with the party in whose hands are the interests of the commonwealth for the next two years. He is 50 years of age.

PIERRE MUNDY was born September 1, 1838, in Canton Berne, Switzerland. He received a common school education with further academic advantages. He came to this country when a very young man. He enlisted as a private in the 19th Connecticut Infantry which afterward became the 2d Heavy Artillery; he has an excellent record in the service of his country; he cast his first vote for Abraham Lincoln and has always since been a true Republican. He has not held any offices heretofore, but has long been an influential citizen. He has generally been employed in painting; he will act with the Republicans.

DAVID KENNEY, who was reelected, was born in Litchfield May 1, 1830, and is 64 years of age. He was educated in the common schools. He is grand juror and town agent of Washington. He has generally been engaged in the livery business, with contracts for carrying mails. This is not his first experience in the House, as he was reelected, having been a member in 1893. He is a Republican.

GEORGE EDGAR HUCKLEY was born in Ellsworth, September 1, 1850. He is a Republican and has held the office of tax collector. He was educated in the district school. He has generally been engaged in farming and teaching. He has not been a member of the General Assembly before. He has long been a resident of Sharon and been associated with its interests.

AARON THOMAS was born in Plymouth, March 13, 1830. He was educated in the common school, and although he did not have the advantages of a college education has become prominently identified with the business and political interests of Thomaston, where he moved when a young man. He is engaged in the manufacture of clocks, an industry for which the town is famous. He at present holds the office of selectman and is 64 years old. This will not be his first acquaintance with legislative duties. He was a member of the House in 1881. He will act with the Republicans.

EDMUND WALL was born in Ireland and is 45 years of age. He was educated in the national schools of Ireland and the night school in this county. He came here in 1856, residing in New Jersey until 1877, when he came to Torrington. He is serving a second term as grand juror. He is president of St. Francis T. A. and R. and has been Litchfield County director for C. T. A. U. of Connecticut. He is lecturer of Unity Council, K. of C. He is a builder and contractor. Mr. Wall is an uncompromising Republican. He organized the St. Francis T. A. and R. Society of Torrington and the St. Francis Cadets, a society of boys attached to the parent society, now numbering ninety. He was originally a Democrat.

DAVID LYMAN SOMERS is a native of Woodbury, born July 24, 1861. Although a young man of 33 years, he has had bestowed upon him many honors by his fellow-citizens. He is a member of the board of relief, a school visitor and more or less connected with other offices. He received an academical education which he has employed to the advantage of the town in which he lives. He has always taken a great interest in school work; he is a farmer; he is a fraternal man, and is at present secretary of the Order United American Mechanics. He has no legislative experience in the halls of the General Assembly. He is an enthusiastic Republican.

ANDREW G. BARNES, who will represent Comptroller Staub's house in the House, is a farmer and dealer in leaf tobacco. He has long been one of the prominent citizens of the town, and against its rock-ribbed Democracy has been a persistent fighter. He achieved a complete victory in the Republican sweep last November. Mr. Barnes is a native of Sherman, and is 50 years of age. He received his education in the common schools. He has always been a steadfast supporter of the principles of the Republican party. He has never held an office previous to being elected to the Assembly. He will be found an ardent worker for the party in the House.

CHARLES HENNET GARLICK is 41 years old and was born in Roxbury, December 7, 1853. He was educated in the public and private schools of Roxbury. He holds no offices neither local nor corporate. His life has been spent in farming, and he owns a well-stocked farm in Woodbury, where he removed several years ago. This is the first time that he has been called upon to represent the town at the State Capitol. He is a Republican.
WILLIAM T. ELMER

William T. Elmer, of Middletown, one of the most prominent men in public life in Connecticut to-day, whose eloquence has been heard from many rostrums, and whose arguments in behalf of the State have become famous in the judicial history of the commonwealth, was born in Rome, N. Y., in 1834, and his present age is therefore 60 years. He received an excellent common school and academic education, and entered Wesleyan University in 1853. He pursued his education at that institution, and was graduated in the class of 1857. Shortly after his matriculation he entered the University Law School of Albany, N. Y., and was admitted to the practice of the law at the bar of Hartford County in 1859. In 1862-63 he was chosen Judge of Probate for the Middletown district, and in 1863 he was elected Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives. In the following year (1864) he was elected Clerk, and in 1865 the Senate chose him as its Clerk.

Dating from the year 1863, when Mr. Elmer was appointed Assistant Clerk of the House, then being a member of the Republican State Central Committee, and associated with such men as Senator O. H. Platt, Prof. Northrop, formerly of the faculty of Yale College, late Congressman Starkweather and Bartlett Bent, and other Republican leaders, he was foremost in Republican politics of his county and State. For a quarter of a century he has been a member of a majority of the Republican State conventions, where he has been recognized as one of the true tried, and loyal leaders of the Republican party for his county. In his allegiance and devotion to the principles of the Republican party there never has been any wavering or shadow of turning since its formation up to date. During the Greeley days and in all dark days of the party he never faltered, and was always found cheerfully and hopefully fighting in the foremost rank for its principles.

As a lawyer he has taken a front rank at the bar in his county for years; has been City Attorney, Judge of Probate, and now is State's Attorney, a position which he has held for over twenty years; in fact, since 1863, except a term of eight years, when he was Judge of the City Court. He has been prominently mentioned for the position of Judge of the Superior Court, and it is thought he may be the Governor's appointee if he should conclude to accept. He has always taken an active interest in the common schools and in the higher education of the Middletown city school district. He has been a member of the Board of Education for several terms, having been chosen at the last election unanimously. He is now President of the Board for his second term, and is Chairman of the Building Committee, under whose direction one of the handsomest school buildings in the State is now nearing completion.

As a member of the Senate in 1873 he was the leader of that body, being Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, and had associated with him on that committee such men as ex-Gov. Henry B. Harrison, Congressman John T. Waite, the late Samuel Jones, of Hartford, and other leading lawyers. He was practically President pro tem. during that session, as he presided nearly all the time in the absence of the Lieutenant-Governor, Hon. Geo. G. Sill, of Hartford. Mr. Elmer held the office of Alderman for several terms, afterward being elected Mayor of Middletown for 1876 and 1877.
George M. Clark, of Haddam, is one of the most prominent members of the House this session, as his long familiarity with legislation gives him great weight. Mr. Clark was born in Haddam, June 11, 1833, and was educated in the public and private schools. Afterward he was most thoroughly educated in mechanical and civil engineering, also in the science of ship and house building, including nearly every branch pertaining to the several parts. He has often employed as many as five hundred to a thousand men in construction. In the years of 1885 and 1886 he represented the town of Haddam in the Lower House, and in 1889 and 1891 represented the Twenty-first Senatorial District. In the sessions of 1885 and 1886 he was Chairman of the Incorporation Committee, also of the Committee on Contingent Expenses, while in the Senate he was Chairman of the Committees on Appropriations, New Towns and Probate Districts and Contested Elections. In 1891, during the deadlock, he was Chairman of the Republican legislative caucus. He is President of the Higganum Savings Bank and of the Cutaway Harrow Company. He is chairman of the Republican Town Committee, which position he has held for thirty years.
Vine B. Starr, of Chatham, was born in East Hampton, Conn., November 7, 1854, and received his education in the common schools of his native village and at private schools. He is a member of the school committee of the center district of Chatham, and is a director and one of the active managers of the Starr Brothers' Bell Company, a successful enterprise. He was in business in Colorado and New Mexico for about five years.

Mr. Starr is a Republican. The Starr Brothers make a large variety of first-class bells, and have an extensive and lucrative trade.

Mr. Starr was married June 25, 1881, to Bessie C. Birdsey, of Middlefield. They have four children, Albert B., Sophia B., Helen B., and Daniel H. Mr. Starr is chairman of the temperance committee. His friends know him for a man of no ostentation, but of sterling worth.
GEORGE S. GLADDING

George S. Gladding, of Chester, is now in his sixty-first year, having been born in Deep River, Conn., May 12, 1834. He was educated in the public schools and was for several years a grand juror. He is a brush manufacturer by occupation, and during the present session will act with the Republicans.
JOHN A. CARRIER

John A. Carrier, of Chatham, was born February 7, 1855 in Middle Haddam. He was educated in the public schools and at the Glastonbury Academy. He was Postmaster of Chatham for ten years, a position he filled with much credit.

For twelve years he was a clerk, but for the past ten years he has been a merchant, successfully conducting a first-class general store. He has acceptably filled several public offices.

On January 17, 1878, he married Caroline J. Simpson, of Chatham. They have two children, Paul S. and Alfred B.

Mr. Carrier is a consistent Democrat, and has hosts of friends.
Henry C. Hull, of Clinton, was born in that town December 12, 1849, his father being Oliver B. Hull, one of Clinton's most respected business men during a long life.

Henry was one of five children. His education was received at the public schools and Clinton Academy.

When sixteen years of age he entered the employ of his father and remained with him until the death of the latter, during the blizzard of March, 1888. His father was an extensive dealer in lumber, paints, and builders' hardware, and after his death the business was taken by the son, and has since been conducted very successfully by him. Mr. Hull is also agent for several leading insurance companies.

In 1876 Mr. Hull was united in marriage to Miss Arabella A. Meigs, the only daughter of James R. Meigs, of Madison, Conn., and they reside very happily in their cozy residence on Main street. Mr. Hull is an ardent Republican, and held for many years the offices of Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Judge of Probate, and other positions of trust.

He is a business man of excellent ability, and highly respected by the people. Mr. Hull will, without doubt, represent his town in an able manner in legislative halls.
EDBERT D. HAMMOND

EDBERT D. HAMMOND, of Cromwell, was born in Wardsboro, Vermont, August 7, 1857. He was educated in the public schools, worked in a grocery store in Brattleboro, Vt., for a while, and returning to his home, attended a private school. He came to Connecticut in 1878, and soon after located in Cromwell, where he has since resided.

In 1887 he formed the Cromwell Cooperative Creamery, and has been its secretary, treasurer and general manager up to the present. For two years past Mr. Hammond has been a director of the Connecticut Creamery Association, and is also a member of the State Dairyman's Association. He is one of the firm of Briggs, Hammond & Mullen, artesian well drivers, the supervision of which work has devolved entirely upon Mr. Hammond.

In 1880 he was chairman of the Republican Town Committee, and still retains his membership.
E. A. MARKHAM

Ernest Arthur Markham, of Durham, was born in Windsor, Vt., October 16, 1853. He is a descendant in the eighth generation from Deacon Daniel Markham, one of the early settlers of Middletown.

After receiving a preparatory education in the South, and high schools of Hartford and the Middletown High School, he entered Wesleyan University, taking all the elective courses in laboratory work in practical and analytical chemistry for special honors, and in 1875 received the degree of A.B., ten years later also that of A.M. He studied at the Eclectic Medical College, in New York, being made an M.D. by that institution in 1877 and 1878.

Though this is Dr. Markham's first experience in the Legislature, he has held many local offices, having been Justice of the Peace, Town Auditor and member of the Board of Relief, President of Durham Public Library and one of its prime instigators, President of the Durham Literary Society, Health Officer, Medical Examiner for the New York Life Insurance Company, member of the Connecticut Historical Society, Sons of American Revolution, K. of P. and O. U. A. M. With the aid of a few citizens he has revived the Durham Academy, under the Indian name of the town, "The Coginchaug School," and at considerable private expense has given the pupils the benefit of a graded school, retaining the position of Chairman and Secretary of the Committee.

Dr. Markham has been Vestryman of the Church of the Epiphany for about fifteen years.

Since his graduation Dr. Markham has enjoyed an extensive and lucrative practice in Durham. His politics is "Democratic—if for the good of Durham."
Waldo R. Atwell, of Durham, was born in that town November 11, 1847.

The common schools and the academy of his native place gave him his education. He worked on a farm until he was 20 years old, when he changed his occupation to that of a butcher, and has since been identified with that business. Mr. Atwell has been a valued member of the Board of Relief for eight or ten years, and is also prominent in lodge affairs. He is an unswerving Republican.
Robert Wellington Bingham was born in East Haddam, August 7, 1851. He attended the common schools and a select school for two years, and in 1872 was graduated from Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. He was Census Enumerator in 1890, Tax Collector in 1892, and the first Secretary and Treasurer of the East Haddam Creamery Company. At present he is the efficient Registrar of Electors, Grand Juror and Clerk and Treasurer of the first school district, and Chairman of the Republican Town Committee. He is also a popular member of the East Haddam Grange, No. 56, and of the Order of American Mechanics, and of the First Congregational Church of East Haddam.

Mr. Bingham is on the important Committee on Railroads. He has one of the best farms in his section of the State, and is known as a progressive man in agricultural affairs. He is especially interested in sheep-raising.

Mr. Bingham was married May 19, 1873, to Mary T. Varley. They have two bright children, Harry V., and Robert W., Jr.

Mr. Bingham's great-grandfather was in the Revolutionary War, and his five brothers followed the stars and stripes in the War of the Rebellion, two of them giving their lives to the cause. He is actively interested in the welfare of his native town and in the prosperity of the church, in every way faithfully serving the public weal.
JAMES HOWELL CLARK

James Howell Clark, of Essex, was born in Essex, September 17, 1839, and is consequently in his fifty-fifth year. His only education was in winter in the common schools, until he was eighteen. For the past forty-two years he has been working on ivory for the Comstock Cheney Company, except for the time that he served in the Civil War as sergeant of Company B., Twenty-Fourth Regiment, C. V., and from 1870 to 1872, when he was engaged in the pearl fishery business on the west coast of South America. Mr. Clark was for five years a Selectman, and has also been a grand juror and member of the Board of Relief. He is a Republican.

The Clark family was among the first settlers of Saybrook, Conn., and their history would of itself make a large and very interesting volume.
EVERETT EDWARD LORD

EVERETT EDWARD LORD, of Killingworth, was born in Killingworth, April 24, 1856, and is consequently in the thirty-eighth year of his age. After receiving a common-school education, and being two years in a preparatory school, he became a contractor and superintendent of an iron foundry, in which business he is still engaged. Mr. Lord has never before held public office, and his only office of any kind is that of a member of the Board of Managers of the Connecticut Society of Sons of the American Revolution, in which he is serving his third year. Mr. Lord has a war ancestry, his father having served in the Union Army in the war between the States; his grandfather in the war of 1812, and his great-grandfather in the Revolution. Mr. Lord was elected as a Republican. He is a descendant of Richard Lord, whose tomb at New London is the oldest east of the Connecticut River.
LYMAN A. MILLS

Lyman A. Mills, of Middlefield, a Republican, was born in Middlefield (then belonging to Middletown) February 25, 1841. Prominent in the management, and as an officer of the Metropolitan Manufacturing Company from a time not long after its origin in 1860—and recently manager at the Middlefield Plant of The American Wringer Company—Mr. Mills has been a manufacturer during nearly all his business life.

When, in 1866, Middlefield was set off from the town of Middletown, he was chosen Town Clerk, and two years later Town Treasurer, and has so continued holding these offices now by unanimous vote. He is a director of the American Wringer Company, a trustee of the Middleton Savings Bank, President of the Levi E. Coe Library Association, treasurer of the Trustees of “The Ecclesiastical Fund in the Society of Middlefield,” a trustee of the Calhoun Colored School, Calhoun, Alabama, and holds various other similar positions. Mr. Mills is known throughout the United States as a breeder of Jersey cattle, in which pursuit he has been engaged since 1867. He has had the care and management of various property and estate interests, and is one of Connecticut’s representative manufacturing and financial men.
Giles A. Bushnell, of Old Saybrook, was born in Westbrook, August 24, 1839. He attended school until 15 years of age when he entered his father's store as a clerk.

He continued there until April 1, 1863, when he went to Centerbrook and formed a partnership with D. W. Spencer, under the name of Bushnell & Spencer, doing a general merchandise business. In a little less than three years the partnership was dissolved, and May 17, 1866, Mr. Bushnell started in business in Old Saybrook in his present store, and has continued there without a break ever since. He has creditably held the office of Town Treasurer for several years, and was Postmaster for four years, from August 1, 1889, to August 1, 1893, under President Harrison. He was treasurer of the Congregational Church in Old Saybrook for many years, and is now on its standing committee.

Mr. Bushnell is a descendant of one of the early settlers of Saybrook. His father was a senator from the old Nineteenth district.

On May 9, 1865, he married Ellen M. Redfield, of Essex. They have a son, William R., born March 31, 1866, who is associated with his father in business. Mr. Bushnell is a staunch Republican and a faithful member of the Committee on Cities and Boroughs.
Asaph H. Hale, of Portland, was born in Portland, December, 28, 1847. He attended the district schools and Chase's Institute in Middletown. He has for the past twelve to fifteen years been acting School Visitor, Assessor and Town Auditor. Mr. Hale has been variously occupied—being a teacher, bookkeeper and lumber dealer. He is a Democrat, and hopes to be able to vote for better roads and a bridge across the Connecticut between Portland and Middletown.
Horace G. Jones, the senior representative from Saybrook, was born in that town March 19, 1840. He was educated at the public schools. The son of a farmer, he passed his boyhood on the farm, and at the age of seventeen engaged in shad fishing on the Connecticut river. At the close of the fishing season he embarked as a sailor on a coasting vessel running from New York to Providence. For two years he followed the occupation of house carpentering, leaving that to enlist in Co. G., 7th Conn. Vols., on the breaking out of the rebellion.

He served his country faithfully, and was honorably discharged on September 12, 1864, before Petersburg, Va.

On his return from the war he resumed the work of a carpenter and builder, a part of the time in New Haven, in which line he continued until 1879, when he became interested in the spoke and handle business, purchasing in that year the plant of Oliver Buell, in Chester. A year later these works were destroyed by fire, but new machinery for his factory in Deep River was purchased, and, in the following spring, increasing trade compelled him to put in a steam plant. Again he suffered loss by fire in the burning of this factory on October 31, 1881; but not to be discouraged, he leased the factory at Newtown and occupied it one year, then purchasing and removing the machinery to Ivoryton. Here he remained for five years, when he returned to Chester, acquiring the plant which he now occupies, and which is one of the best-equipped spoke and handle plants in Connecticut. He is also a dealer in builders' hardware and agricultural implements.

Mr. Jones has been before the public in an official capacity, continuously, for twenty-one years—eighteen years as collector of taxes, three years on the board of selectmen, the chairmanship of which he now holds.

He has always been a Republican.

On October 5, 1865, he married Miss Clark, the eldest daughter of the late Textius Clark.
THOMAS L. PARKER

THOMAS L. PARKER, of Saybrook, is a native of East Haddam, Conn., where he was born thirty-eight years ago. He was educated at the public and private schools and graduated at Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., in 1876. Mr. Parker has been a member of the Board of Education for many years, and is identified with the Republican party; he is a druggist, and is a brother of Prosecuting Attorney Francis H. Parker, of Hartford. He has proven himself a reliable man in his profession and built up a large trade. He is decidedly popular with his party and a favorite with the younger element. He is an active and energetic worker.
WILLIAM I. LEWIS

William I. Lewis, representative from the town of Westbrook, was born in New Canaan, this State; he received an academical education. He studied law for three years in New York and two years at the Columbian University, at Washington, D. C. Mr. Lewis served his country during the war in the Twentieth Connecticut Volunteers and soon after enlistment was placed on detailed service with General Kane, brother of the famous Arctic explorer. Mr. Lewis was captured by the guerilla Moseley, and incarcerated in Castle Thunder and Libby prisons. Before the close of the war he was made the general accountant of the military railroads of the United States, and he successfully accomplished the work of classifying and tabulating the multifarious reports of the thirty-five railroads operated by the Government throughout the rebellious States into one volume or tabulated statement, now on file at Washington and said to be the finest and most complete statistical work of its kind in existence. Mr. Lewis was in the office of the Secretary of the Treasury and while there originated the system and rules governing the expenses of collecting the revenue from customs throughout the United States. He was also associated for eight years with the Sergeant-at-Arms of the United States Senate and has a wide knowledge and acquaintance of public men.

Shortly after the war Mr. Lewis married Miss Isadora Winship, of Georgetown, D. C. Three sons and three daughters are the fruit of this union.

He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and with his good wife founded a mission church of that denomination while sojourning in Washington. He is a member of the Westbrook Grange and is also a Free Mason, and in politics has always been a pronounced Republican. He believes in progression, and takes great interest in everything pertaining to the welfare of Connecticut. He is known as an enterprising citizen of the town of Westbrook. He has resided at Grove Beach, between the villages of Clinton and Westbrook, with his family since 1872. He is a very nervous, tireless worker at whatever he undertakes, as shown by his energy in causing the opening of the new and beautiful shore drive running through Grove Beach and connecting the towns of Clinton and Westbrook, and in his untiring and persistent work for the breakwater improvement at Duck Island Harbor on the sea front of these towns.

He is the founder of Grove Beach, and the improvements and wonderful growth of this place in the past few years is due to him more than any other person for his enterprise and push in developing this charming summer resort. As might naturally be supposed Mr. Lewis is a Grand Army man. Early in the history of the order, and while living in Alexandria, he united, with others, in the formation of the first Grand Army post in Virginia. Afterward he joined the Burnside Post in Washington, D. C. Mr. Lewis was alternate delegate to the Minneapolis Convention which nominated President Harrison.

He was put forward by his friends as a candidate for Congressional honors in the convention which nominated Hon. N. D. Sperry. One of his first acts in the Legislature was the presentation of a bill directing the National flag to be displayed on the Capitol Building, from sunrise to sunset, every day in the year. He urged the passage of his bill in an eloquent and patriotic speech. The rules were suspended and the bill passed unanimously.
Charles O. Gillette is of Western birth, having been born in Milan, Ohio, September 6, 1841. He was educated at Wilbraham, Mass., at Wesleyan Academy. He has sat in neither branch of the General Assembly, but has been, and now is, collector of taxes for the town of Haddam. He is a manufacturer of baskets and is a Republican.

Norman L. Parmelee is an old member, having been in the House in 1893. Mr. Parmelee is a native of the town he represents, having been born there March 16, 1893. He has been a member of the board of relief and has always been interested in church work, having been a member of the Congregational Society Committee and is at present a member of the board of trustees of church corporation.

Charles R. Lewis, of Middletown, was born in that city July 24, 1831, and is consequently in his 63d year. His father, Joseph H. Lewis, of old Puritanical stock, came to Connecticut from Massachusetts early in 1800 and located in Middletown, where he raised a family of nine children, the subject of this sketch being the youngest; he was educated in the public schools. After serving four terms as councilman and two as alderman he was elected mayor of the city in 1888, and served one term with great honor to himself and his native city. He has also been first selectman of Middletown, and for years a member of the board of education. He is president of the Middletown Building and Loan Association, and is also district deputy of Central Lodge, I. O. O. F. He is now, and for twenty years has been, foreman of the toolroom of the Middletown Plate Company, where he is highly appreciated by employers and employees alike. As a Republican candidate for office he has always been a favorite, as his always large majorities will attest.

Francis W. Swan, of East Haddam, is a native of that town, having been born there February 27, 1841. Although this was Mr. Swan's first experience in either branch of the General Assembly he has held many local offices, having been postmaster for twelve years, selectman, assessor and member of the board of relief. Mr. Swan, who is a lumber dealer and also a farmer, received a common-school education and will this session act with the Republicans.
WILLIAM SUMNER

William Sumner, of Tolland, first Representative from the shire town of the county, was born in the town he represents, April 3, 1826, and is consequently 68 years old. He received a common-school education, and later studied law. Up to 1856 he practiced law, but since that year he has been in business. From that year much of his business has been in the West. Until 1887 his home was for most of the time Cincinnati. From 1857 to 1874 he was general sales agent for the Wheeler & Wilson Manufacturing Company. Since 1874 he has been engaged in building and operating gas works, banking, manufacturing and milling. Mr. Sumner was Clerk of the courts for Tolland County and Judge of Probate for the district of Tolland in 1854-'55. In politics he is a Republican.

He was married December 11, 1857, to Juliette C. Bishop, of Tolland. They have one daughter living, Edith B.
RATCLIFFE HICKS

Ratcliffe Hicks, second Representative from Tolland, was born in the town he represents October 3, 1843, and is a Democrat of staunch loyalty.

Mr. Hicks studied at Monson Academy and Williston Seminary, entering Brown University in 1860, and graduating therefrom in 1864 with the degree of A. B.

He was a prominent Delta Upsilon man while at college, and later proved his interest in his Alma Mater by founding the Hicks Prizes for oratory.

He taught school in his native village, studied law in Judge Waldo’s office and was admitted to the bar in 1866, associating himself that year with United States Senator Platt in the practice of law. He was City Attorney of Meriden from 1869 to 1874, and County Attorney for New Haven from 1873 to 1876. As early as 1866 Mr. Hicks served in the Legislature from Tolland, being then the youngest member of that body. Among the able and brilliant speeches there made by him should be mentioned the one against the death penalty, in 1893. The business career of Mr. Hicks has been coincident with that of the Canfield Rubber Company, of Bridgeport, Conn., which increased its capital from $10,000 to $250,000 in 1893; its sales now being $1,000,000 per year. Mr. Hicks is the owner, manager and president of the concern.

Mr. Hicks’ ancestors came to Scituate, Mass., from London, probably previous to 1621, and from them sprung a line of hardy, God-fearing and public-spirited people who well maintained the New England name for all that is best in American manhood and womanhood. One of the strongest and finest traits in Mr. Hicks’ character is his unswerving loyalty and devotion to his native town, Tolland, extensive travel in this and the old world, and long residence in other and larger places, having failed to overcome his enduring attachment for the scenes and friends of his childhood. He was largely instrumental in having the Congregational Church in Tolland remodeled, some two years ago, at an expense of about five thousand dollars; he has lately given a thousand dollars to the Storrs Agricultural College in Tolland County, to establish permanent prizes for composition and public speaking, and has given the same amount to the Meriden High School for similar prizes.
Charles L. Backus, representative of Andover, was born in Lebanon, January 14, 1848, his ancestors being one of the early families of prominence in Eastern Conn., who engaged in smelting iron and manufacturing various farm implements and useful utensils. His father, Sylvanus, was one of ten children, and at the time of the birth of the subject of this sketch owned a farm in Goshen Society, town of Lebanon. Here his early schooling was secured, which was supplemented by later instruction at the select school of Miss Lucy Pettis and at the Norwich Free Academy. After finishing study, he taught school for several seasons, then, desiring to see more of the world, engaged with Henry Bill, who was at that time prominent in the book-publishing business, and for him traveled several years through the Middle and Western States. For the last fifteen years he has been salesman for houses in New York and Boston in the fertilizer trade, and has a general and extensive acquaintance through New England.

He has a wife and five children, his eldest son being in the grocery business at Thompson. In politics he has always been a Republican. Mr. Backus was Postmaster under Harrison, and is now Chairman of the Board of Education in his town, besides serving on that committee in the House.
WILLIAM E. ALVORD

William E. Alvord, of Bolton, represents his native town in the present Legislature, and was born December 16, 1863. He received a common-school education. He has twice served on the Board of School Visitors for six years past, also having held many of the minor town offices. Mr. Alvord is now Chairman of the School Board and Town Auditor.

In politics he is a Republican and has been Chairman of the Republican Town Committee for the last seven years. He was formerly engaged in agricultural pursuits but is now a soap manufacturer.

Mr. Alvord is the fourth member of the Republican party to represent the old Democratic town of Bolton in the Legislature, his brother, the late Joseph C. Alvord, of Manchester, being one of the other three who represented this town in the Legislature of 1882.
JOHN S. CHAMPLIN

John S. Champlin, of Coventry, was born in North Lyme, July 25, 1868. He received a common school education; he is a hairdresser and tobacconist. In politics he is a Democrat, and though he has been a resident of Coventry for twenty-three years, this is the first political office he has ever held.
JOHN THOMPSON

JOHN THOMPSON, of Ellington, who represents his native town in the House, was born January 11, 1840. He received a common-school education in Ellington, and has followed the calling of a farmer most of his life.

In the war, Mr. Thompson served in Company F, Twenty-fifth Regiment, Connecticut Volunteers, being a non-commissioned officer. He was wounded severely at Irish Bend, La., April 14, 1863.

He has been prominent in the public affairs of his town and State, having held the office of Selectman, which he still retains, besides having represented Ellington in the Legislature of 1885. He has been Master of Ellington Grange and Master of East Central Pomona Grange.

At present Mr. Thompson is President of the Ellington Creamery, and a member of the State Board of Agriculture. Politically he is a firm believer in the Republican party. The Thompson family is an old one in Connecticut, the ancestors of the subject of this sketch having migrated from the North of Ireland, and settled in Melrose (then known as "Irish Row"), in 1720.

Mr. Thompson's maternal grandfather was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, and his mother's brother in the war of 1812, the latter witnessing the execution of Major Andre, the British spy.
WILLIAM JEWETT WARNER

William Jewett Warner, of Hebron, was the youngest son of William T. and Olive M. (Hutchinson) Warner. He was born in Gilead, town of Hebron, March 1, 1864. He was educated in the public and private schools in the town, and has held office on the Board of Assessors and the Board of Relief, and is now a member of the Republican Town Committee.

Mr. Warner is a great great-grandson of both Dr. Gibbons Jewett—who was surgeon in the Revolutionary War—and Lieutenant William Talcott, who served in the same war. June 8, 1886, he was married to Ella C., only daughter of Norman P. and Lydia A. (Norton) Warner. They have one child, Norman Jewett, born August 26, 1887. Last fall and winter he traveled extensively in the West and along the Pacific Coast, studying Western methods of growing grain. He is a farmer and grain dealer by occupation, and by upright dealings has gained a large circle of friends and patrons.
Fred. O. Vinton, of Mansfield, is a native of the town he represents, and was born April 26, 1864. He received an excellent education at the Willimantic High School and Hannum's Business College, Hartford. His great-grandfather was a capable officer in the Revolutionary War. For several years he was clerk in his father's general store, but succeeded him in business November 1, 1890. The store is one of the largest and best country stores in the State. Mr. Vinton's ever-increasing business speaks louder than words as to his popularity and upright business principles. This fact will explain why he is at present postmaster and railroad station and express agent. He is Clerk on the Committee of Capitol Furniture and Grounds, and a member of the Putnam Memorial Park Committee. On November 21, 1880, he married Annie E. Rogers, of Willimantic. Mr. Vinton is an Odd Fellow, and is a valuable worker for the Republican party.
C. H. Weeks, of Mansfield, was born in Eastford, Conn., August 11, 1855, and received a common-school education.

He came to Mansfield Centre in 1882, where he opened a grocery and general merchandise business, which increased to such an extent as to make it necessary in '90 to erect a commodious store near the church, finishing a hall in the upper story which is used as a lodge room by various societies and for public gatherings, meeting a long-felt need in this part of the town.

He is a man wide-awake in business enterprise and energy. He purchased and fitted up one of the finest picnic grounds in this part of the State.

Mr. Weeks has, during his residence in town, gained the respect and confidence of his fellow-citizens, whom he has served in many public offices. For four years he was Postmaster, also Town Clerk and Chairman of the Republican Town Committee, and represents his town at the State Legislature. He is a member of Elmwood Lodge, A. O. U. W., also its receiver, and has been financier. Mr. Weeks was Town Collector for six years.
OSCAR KEENEY

Oscar Keeney, of Somers, was born in South Manchester, June 3, 1859. He was educated in town schools and at Monson Academy. He is a woolen manufacturer, and is a member of the Republican party.
NATHANIEL A. PATTEN

Nathaniel A. Patten, of Somers, was born in Somers, April 7, 1828. He received his education in the common schools, supplementing it with an academic course. He is now a Grand Juror of his town. Previously he had served on the Assessors' and the Relief Boards. He is a farmer, and a strenuous worker in the Republican party. Mr. Patten is also a Notary Public.
J. CARL CONVERSE

J. Carl Converse, of Stafford, was born in that town in April, 1863, and graduated from Wesleyan University in 1886. His father, the late Hon. Julius Converse, has a name honored in the political and business history of Connecticut.

The first appearance in politics of the younger Converse was in 1888, when he was elected a representative to the General Assembly for Stafford, receiving a handsome majority, although the town went strongly Democratic, and a Democratic colleague was chosen with him. His ability in the House won him recognition as an active and leading member.

Since 1890 he has spent much of his time in New York in the sale of woolen fabrics, in the manufacture of which he has considerable interests.

Returning to Stafford, he was persuaded to again represent the town, and in the following election received the largest vote ever given a Republican in the town.

Mr. Converse is interested in various public enterprises, and last fall declined a re-election to the Stafford Springs Borough Court of Burgesses.

He holds the highest office in Ionic Lodge of Free Masons, and is one of the most popular and capable young men of the town.

In the present General Assembly he holds the important position of Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations.
JOHN RANDOLPH WASHBURN

John Randolph Washburn was born in Stafford January 7, 1821, and is the oldest member of the present Legislature. This is the eighth time of his election to the Legislature. The dates of his membership are as follows, viz.: House of Representatives in 1859-1856-1857-1866-1869-1875-1895, Senate in 1862.

He is a descendant of the first settlers of Stafford. His great-great-grandfather, Samuel Washburn, moved from Bridgewater, Mass., to Stafford in 1730, and with his son Soloman and grandson Nathan went into the army of the revolution and participated in the battle of Bunker Hill in 1775.

Soloman and his son Nathan Washburn were in the regiment of which Israel Putnam was the Colonel in command. Nathan Washburn, the grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was in the army of the revolutionary war five years, and was promoted to the office of Captain and was a pensioner. J. R. Washburn has held offices in the town he represents most of the time since he was 26 years old, having been selectman, board of relief school committee, etc. He has been a member of the board of school visitors most of the time since 1848, and also a justice of the peace. He has held offices in the Masonic and Odd Fellows lodges, is now acting school visitor and is, and has been for years, secretary of the board of school visitors. In the Legislature he has been a member of the following committees, viz.: federal relations, roads and bridges, education, engrossed bills, new towns and probate districts, railroads and forfeited rights, house chairman of the last two named. He was educated in the district and select schools of Monson and Stafford, and high school in Allegany County, N. Y. At the age of 24 years he became a partner of the late Moses B. Harvey, of Stafford, in the manufacture of machinery, which has been his business most of the time since.

He commenced the manufacture of lathe chucks in 1848 under a patent granted to the late Simon Fairman (the father of his wife), and was for several years the largest manufacturer of those tools in the United States or in any other country. He (Mr. Washburn) obtained a patent for an improvement on "lathe and drill chucks" September 29, 1868. He was the inventor of the geared scroll chucks now in such universal use throughout this and other countries, having made the first one ever known in the year 1850. This chuck is now made substantially as it was then made by him, or under his direction, with some modifications. He was advised to get it patented, but not anticipating such a universal demand as there has been, did not think it advisable to do so until after he had placed it upon the market, and hence it was claimed, had given it to the public.
George Wallace, of Union, was born in Holland, Mass., March 20, 1852. He was educated in the common schools. The death of his father deprived him of his natural adviser when he was ten years of age. From that time until he was twenty-one, he attended school, worked out farming, in mills and teaming. Then he engaged in the lumber business, and has followed that vocation, with farming, in the towns of Holland and Union ever since. He is Registrar of Voters and Chairman of the Republican Town Committee. He served on the Board of Relief for two years, and was overseer of the Mashapaug Grange, No. 101, for two years.

In August, 1888, Mr. Wallace married Miss Emily M. Curtis, of Ashford. They have one daughter, Bertha L. Mr. Wallace is deeply concerned in all that tends to the good of his town, and possesses the respect and friendship of all who know him.
FREDERICK J. ALDRICH

FREDERICK J. ALDRICH, of Union, was born in Uxbridge, Mass., April 23, 1856. He attended district schools and also the Friends' boarding school in Providence, R. I. In his youth he learned the wheelwright's trade. For the past fifteen years he has been in the sawmill business. In politics he is an independent Democrat, and in cases where he thinks the interests of society and good government demand action independent of party, he acts according to his beliefs. On November 21, 1887, he married Lucy P. Horton, of Union. They have four children, Herbert D., Ida M. (deceased), Henry R., and an infant son. The grandfather and father of Mrs. Horton both had the honor of representing their town in the Legislature for several years. Mr. Aldrich's father was Chairman of the Board of Selectmen for a dozen years. He has established an extensive business, and he and his wife are much beloved by a large circle of friends.
JOHN E. FAHEY

JOHN E. FAHEY, of Vernon, was born in Manchester, Conn., in December, 1857, and attended the public schools of Manchester and Rockville. Mr. Fahey entered the mills at an early age, and is an expert cotton carder and spinner. He is at present connected with the Samuel Fitch & Sons Co., of Rockville.

In politics Mr. Fahey has been an ardent and consistent Republican, and at present represents Ward Three in the Board of Aldermen.

This ward is naturally strongly Democratic, but at the last election (December, 1893) Mr. Fahey was elected by a handsome majority.

Mr. Fahey has been Chairman of the Fire Department Committee of his city, and is at present Chairman of Committee on Public Works and Streets; also of the Health Committee.

Mr. Fahey is a prominent Forester, being a Past Chief Ranger, and Deputy Grand Chief Ranger, as well as Supreme Deputy for Connecticut of the Companions of the Forest, and in the A. O. U. W. a Past Master Workman, and a member of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.
Horace G. Talcott, of Vernon, was born in Vernon, November 14, 1847. He is a graduate of Phillips' Andover Academy, of the class of 1867. For a time he was a member of the class of 1871 in Yale College, but ill health obliged him to leave college. He is engaged in woolen manufacturing, being general manager of the Talcott Bros. Co., and is also a director in the First National Bank of Rockville.

In church and benevolent work he takes an active part, holding various offices in the local church, and is also a director in the Connecticut Home Missionary Society.

Mr. Talcott is a descendant of John Talcott (styled "The Worshipful Mr. John Talcott"), who was one of the founders of the Colony of Connecticut, built the first house in Hartford, and was also one of the chief magistrates of the Colony. He is a firm believer in Republican principles.
ARTHUR H. ELDREDGE

Arthur H. Eldredge, of Willington, was born in Willimantic, January 9, 1864, and was educated in the schools of Plainfield and Putnam.

He is engaged in farming, in connection with which he is a contractor with Mansfield Creamery Company for collecting the cream in the towns of Tolland and Willington, with which company he has been connected for the last eight years. Mr. Eldredge is Master of the local Grange, of which he is a charter member. He is also General Agent for the National Fertilizer Company of Bridgeport, for Tolland County. In politics he is a Republican.
WILLIAM H. HALL

William H. Hall, of Willington, was born in South Willington in 1867. In his education were included courses in the Willimantic High School and Wesleyan Academy as well as one in Wesleyan University, from which he graduated in 1892. He was a member of the House of 1893, and was twice elected Clerk of the Railroad Committee; he has been Town Agent and Registrar for two years; he is engaged in thread manufacturing. In party politics he affiliates with the Republicans.
William Waters Battey is 42 years old, having been born September 1, 1852. His education he obtained principally in the common schools; he has served his town as first selectman and town agent and has been on the board of relief. Earlier in life he followed the pursuit of carpentry, but now he is a farmer. His politics is Republican.

Perkins L. Lathrop was born in Willington, June 11, 1858. He received a common and high school education. The offices he now holds are those of assessor and justice of the peace. He has been town auditor, constable and school visitor. He has followed the calling of farming, teaching school and lumbering. He is Democratic in politics.

George Charles Tennant was born in Manchester in 1837 and is 57 years old. His was a common-school education. He is now a grand juror in his town. He follows the calling of farming and carpentering. In politics he is a staunch supporter of the Republican party.
49th ANNUAL STATEMENT
OF THE
Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co.
OF HARTFORD CONN.

Net Assets, January 1, 1894 . . . . $59,926,199.59

RECEIVED IN 1894
For Premiums . . . . $4,877,972.88
For Interest and Rents, 3,298,408.28
Profit and Loss . . . . 19,877.25

87,965,758.41
867,831,958.00

DISBURSED IN 1894
For claims by death and matured endowments . . . . $4,273,874.99
Surplus returned to policy-holders . . . . 1,265,415.20
Lapsed and surrendered Policies . . . . 659,701.33

6,198,991.52

TOTAL TO POLICY-HOLDERS, $6,198,991.52

Commissions to Agents, Salaries, Medical Examiners' fees, Printing, Advertising, Legal, Real Estate, and all other Expenses . . . . 786,638.98
Taxes . . . . 300,528.14

7,285,559.64

Balance Net Assets, Dec. 31, 1894, $60,546,398.36

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS
Loans upon Real Estate, first lien . . . . $37,484,848.18
Loans upon Stocks and Bonds . . . . 12,300.00
Premium Notes on Policies in force . . . . 1,259,444.15
Cost of Real Estate owned by the Co. . . . 7,362,583.74
Cost of United States and other Bonds 12,256,890.25
Cost of Bank and Railroad Stocks . . . . 800,960.25
Cash in Banks . . . . 1,784,632.30
Hills receivable . . . . 1,546.43
Agents' Ledger Balances . . . . 3,786,039.98

$60,546,398.36

Add
Interest due and accrued . . . . $991,460.63
Rents accrued . . . . 7,091.83
Market value of stocks and bonds over cost . . . . 486,721.50
Net deferred premiums . . . . 203,253.01

$1,088,536.97

Gross Assets, December 31, 1894 . . . . $62,234,925.33

Liabilities:
Amount required to re-insure all outstanding Policies, net, Company's standard . . . . 854,291,091.00
All other liabilities . . . . 1,137,621.55

$55,358,712.55

Surplus . . . . $6,876,212.78

Ratio of expenses of management to receipts in 1894 . . . . 9.94 per cent.
Policies in force Dec. 31, 1894, 65,579 Insuring . . . . $156,686,871.00

JACOB L. GREENE, President
JOHN M. TAYLOR, Vice-Prest.
ALFRED T. RICHARDS, Gen. Agent, Room 10, Company's Building, Hartford, Conn.

EDWARD M. BUNCE, Sec.
DANIEL H. WELLS, Actuary

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ASSETS.

Loans on First Mortgages of Real Estate ........................................ $5,633,589.50
Premium Notes and Loans on Policies in force .................................. 701,263.61
Loans on Collateral ................................................................................. 5,600.00
Cost Value of Real Estate owned by the Company ................................. 939,692.77
City and Municipal and Railroad Bonds and Stocks ............................... 2,096,862.71
Bank Stocks .............................................................................................. 165,676.00
Cash in Office ............................................................................................. 198.93
Cash Deposited in Banks .......................................................................... 376,378.02

Add.
Market Value of Stocks and Bonds over cost $51,722.29
Interest accrued and due ............................................................................. 128,628.73
Net Deferred and Outstanding Premiums ................................................. 130,861.94

Gross Assets, January 1, 1895 ................................................................. $10,230,474.50

LIABILITIES.

Reserve on Policies in force at 4 per cent, interest (Conn. and N. Y. standard) $9,309,959.00
Claims by death outstanding ..................................................................... 18,249.00
Premiums paid in advance ....................................................................... 9,385.66
Special Policy and Investment Reserves ................................................. 4,380,77

Surplus at 4 per cent ................................................................................. $587,494.07

This Company has paid since organization for DEATH LOSSES,
MATURED ENDOWMENTS, DIVIDENDS TO POLICY-HOLDERS
and SURRENDERED POLICIES, more than $35,000,000.00.

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The Business of the Company includes all kinds of Steam Boilers. Full information concerning the plan of the Company's operations can be obtained at the Company's Office, Hartford, Conn., or at any Agency.

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ASSETS, $17,664,667.68

SURPLUS, $2,472,534.99

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INCORPORATED 1819

CHARTER PERPETUAL

Cash Capital - - - $4,000,000.00
Cash Assets - - - 10,847,816.36
Total Liabilities - - - 3,649,969.09
Net Surplus - - - 3,197,847.27
Losses Paid in 76 Years - 75,142,516.80

WM. B. CLARK, President
WM. H. KING, Secretary
E. O. WEEKS, F. W. JENNESS, Assistant Secretaries