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Hon. Abiram Chamberlain, of Meriden, Governor of the State, comes from good New England stock on both sides. On the paternal side he descended from Jacob Chamberlain, born in Newton (now Cambridge), Mass., in 1673. His father, Deacon Abiram Chamberlain, was a man of sterling worth and a civil engineer of marked ability. On the maternal side, Governor Chamberlain is a descendant in the eighth generation from Henry and Eulalia Burt, of Roxbury, Mass. His mother's name was Sophronia Ruth Burt. Governor Chamberlain was born at Colebrook River, December 7, 1837. He was educated in the public schools and in Williston Seminary, Easthampton, Mass., making special study of civil engineering. He removed to New Britain in 1856, where he learned the trade of rule making and for a time practiced civil engineering with his father. He held the position of teller in the New Britain National Bank for five years. In 1867 he removed to Meriden, where he had been elected cashier of the Home National Bank. He was made president of that institution in 1881 to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Eli Butler, which position he has since filled with eminent ability and efficiency. He has also for many years been actively interested in other financial institutions of Meriden, notably the Meriden Savings Bank, of which he is vice-president. His large financial experience has made him one of the influential bankers of New England. Governor Chamberlain has for many years been identified with the various enterprises that have been the means of developing the rapidly growing city of Meriden. He was one of the promoters and a director of the Meriden and Waterbury Railroad Company; he was one of the promoters and president of the Winthrop Hotel Company, and is a director of the Stanley Works of New Britain, Edward Miller & Co., and the Meriden Cutlery Company. He has served in the City Council, represented the town in the Legislature of 1877, and in 1901-1902 served as State Comptroller, and in 1903 Wesleyan University conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws. On November 21, 1872, Governor Chamberlain married Charlotte Elethea Roberts, of Brewster, N. Y. They have two sons: Albert R., born January 11, 1875, and Harold B., born September 29, 1880. Governor Chamberlain is blessed with several fine traits of character. He is kind, genial and courteous and his dignity, fidelity and ability peculiarly fit him for the high office of chief magistrate of Connecticut. The same proverbial success that has always crowned his efforts in whatever he has undertaken to do for the good of the public has already won for him the proud distinction of being a model Governor.
HENRY ROBERTS,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Hon. Henry Roberts, of Hartford, Lieutenant-Governor, was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., January 22, 1853, being the son of George and Elvira Evans Roberts. The first twelve years of his life were spent on a farm in South Windsor, this state. His early education was obtained in the public schools of South Windsor and Hartford, and in 1873 he was graduated from the Hartford High School. He then entered Yale College, and after a course of four years in the academic department, graduated in the class of 1877. In 1879 he graduated from the Yale Law School, but did not study law with the intention of practicing the same. He began his successful business career when he entered the office of the Hartford Woven Wire Mattress Company in 1880; in 1884 he was made secretary, and president in 1886, which position he has held ever since. Mr. Roberts is a director in the Hartford Trust Company, State Savings Bank, Hartford Electric Light Company, Farmington River Power Company, and a trustee of the Co-operative Savings Society and the Slater Industrial School at Winston, North Carolina. He is a member of the Connecticut Society of Colonial Wars, Sons of the American Revolution, and
the Hartford, Colonial, Country and Republican clubs. In 1897 he was elected Alderman of the Sixth Ward in Hartford for two years, and was Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means. On October 5, 1881, he married Caroline E. Smith, of Bridgeport. Three children have been born to them: John Taylor, Francis Thatcher, deceased, and Edward Constant Roberts. Mr. Roberts' ancestors were of Welsh origin, and can be traced back to William Roberts, who came to this country in 1654; another ancestor, George Roberts, was an officer in the Revolutionary War. His mother's parents were Jason Evans and Horatio Taylor Evans, the latter being a descendant of Captain Thomas Evans, first, to whom a monument was erected at Deerfield Cross Roads, Mass., for bravery in the French and Indian Wars. In 1899 as House Chairman of the Important Committee on Finance he took a prominent part in the proceedings of the House. In 1901 he had the honor of being President, pro tem., of the Senate and was Senate Chairman of the leading Committee on Appropriations. Politically and socially Senator Roberts is a gentleman whom it is a pleasure to know, and in his business life he has done much to build up and promote the best interests and prosperity of Hartford. He won the high esteem and respect of all at the Capitol. The state press speaks in glowing terms of Lieutenant-Governor Roberts concerning the manner in which he presided over the Senate. The New Haven Leader says: "The cordial esteem of 24 leading men of the state is something an unworthy man never gets. The cordial esteem of all who know him cannot be enjoyed by any man not of high class, morally and intellectually. Lieutenant-Governor Roberts has won high place in the regard and affections of the people of Connecticut, and in our opinion no Senate was ever presided over more successfully than the one of 1903, over which this favorite son of Hartford wielded the gavel."
Hon. Charles Green Rich Vinal, of Middletown, Secretary of State, was born January 14, 1840, at Monroe, Maine. He is seventh in descent from John Vinal and Elizabeth, daughter of Rev. Nicholas Baker, who settled in Scituate, Mass., in 1636. He was graduated from Wesleyan University in 1861. In 1862 he served as First Lieutenant in the Twenty-fourth Regiment of Connecticut Volunteers. Mr. Vinal has been Mayor of Middletown, Town Treasurer, Judge of Probate, and for the past thirty-eight years Clerk of the Superior Court for Middlesex County. In 1897 he represented the Twenty-second District in the Senate. He was re-elected in 1899 and served as Chairman of the Judiciary Committee. In 1900 he was elected Secretary of the State and re-elected in 1902. Mr. Vinal was married in 1865 to M. Amelia Hotchkiss, daughter of the ex-Lieutenant Governor, Julius Hotchkiss, member of the Fortieth Congress. He is a member of St. John’s Lodge, No. 2, F. and A. M., and Mansfield Post, No. 53, G. A. R.
Hon. Henry Haskell Gallup, of Norwich, State Treasurer, was born in the town of Preston, June 2, 1846. He is a son of Isaac and Maria Theresa (Davis) Gallup. He traces his ancestry through many generations to John Gallup, a native of Dorsetshire, England, who came to this country in 1630. After receiving his education in the public and private schools, he was engaged in teaching for four winters. At the age of twenty-two he went to Norwich and began work as a clerk in a store. On March 1, 1871, he became partner in a firm engaged in the leather and finding trade. In 1873, with others, he formed the Norwich Belt Manufacturing Company, with which he has been associated ever since, and from December, 1892, he was the sole proprietor. In 1881 this company was incorporated and Mr. Gallup has been since then its treasurer and general manager. Since 1888 he has been a director in the Thames National Bank and has been president of the Norwich Industrial Building Company since its organization. He is also president of the "Norwich Bulletin" Company, a vice-president of the Chelsea Savings Bank, president of the Crescent Fire Arms Company and treasurer of the W. H. Davenport Fire Arms Company, and president of the Smith Granite Company, of Westerly, R. I. This is the second consecutive term Mr. Gallup has served as State Treasurer, which speaks louder than words as to his popularity and efficiency.
Hon. William E. Seeley, State Comptroller, is a descendant of Robert Seeley, who came to America in 1630 and whose family was among the first settlers of Fairfield. He was born in Bridgeport, September 19, 1841, and has spent his life there, receiving his education in her public and private schools. Upon leaving school he entered a bank as clerk. In 1864 he took an active part in forming the First National Bank in Bridgeport and became its first cashier and in 1892 its president. He has been for many years the president of the People's Savings Bank of Bridgeport, is president of the Connecticut Bankers' Association, has served Bridgeport as Treasurer and Alderman and for eight years a Fire Commissioner, three years a Police Commissioner and for years has been active in management of its sinking fund. He has been active in Masonic circles, is a Past Grand Commander of the Knights Templar and a thirty-third degree Mason. He is a member of the Brooklawn, Seaside, Algonquin and Bridgeport Yacht Clubs, also of the Union League Club of New York, a member of the Sons of American Revolution and of the Society of Colonial Wars. He has always been an active Republican and was a delegate to the last Republican National Convention. In the Legislature of 1901 he was the faithful Senate Chairman of the Committee on Finance. He has filled the position of Comptroller in a very pleasing and efficient manner and has gained the universal esteem and admiration of the entire General Assembly.
Hon. William A. King, of Windham County, Attorney General, was born in Greenfield, Mass., July 22, 1855. He graduated at Amherst College in 1878. He represented Stafford in the Legislature in 1882, and Windham in 1899 and 1901; during his last term he was chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary. He was appointed by Governor Lounsbury a member of the commission to revise the statutes. In 1902 he was elected Attorney General. He lives at Willimantic.
Hon. John M. Ney, of Hartford, Democratic Senator from the First District, is a native of Lorraine, France, and at the age of ten he came to Hartford to live, where he was educated in the public schools, and has since resided in the town. On February 10, 1864, he married Sarah C. Beckwith of New London, who passed beyond January 8, 1900, leaving five children to mourn her loss; Edward M., Roscoe W., Harry C., Edith I., and Paul S. When he reached the age of manhood he became engaged in business pursuits and to-day he is one of the prominent and distinguished manufacturers in precious metals for commercial uses in New England.

Senator Ney has creditably filled several local offices. In 1874 he was elected a member of the Board of Assessors, serving three terms, then declining further service. He was an Alderman in 1876 and 1877, acting as president pro tem. and acting Mayor, and chairman of the Ways and Means Committee for the full term. In 1877 he was collector of town, city and school taxes, filling an interim of ten months, during this time devising and perfecting the full and comprehensive system of bookkeeping since used in the office, and copied by other collectors in the State.

He was elected in 1878 chairman of the West Middle School District, holding this office some eight or nine years, then declining further service on this important committee. During the Civil War Senator Ney did worthy duty as a member of the old Light Guard.

He is a highly respected member of the Asylum Hill Congregational Church, and is chairman of the Committee on Parish house now under construction. He entertains true Democratic ideas and principles. He is a genial and broad-minded gentleman, and won the universal respect and confidence of his colleagues in the Legislature. He was the efficient chairman of the Committee on Capitol Furniture and Grounds and the Committee on Manual and Roll, and was a member of the Committee on Executive Nominations.
Hon. Frank Langdon Wilcox, of Berlin, Republican Senator from the Second District, is an honored native of that town, and was born January 6, 1859. The Wilcox family of East Berlin has been most prominently associated and identified with the history of Connecticut since the days of earliest settlement. Senator Wilcox’s father, Samuel Curtis Wilcox, was one of the most successful and well-known manufacturers of the State. His mother’s maiden name was Anna Scoville Peck. Senator Wilcox is highly educated. After attending the Berlin Academy he was graduated from the St. Paul’s school, Concord, N. H., class ’76, then from Trinity College, Hartford, class ’80, with degree of A. B. In 1885, Mr. Wilcox became manager of the Kensington Branch of the Peck, Stow & Wilcox Co., which position he successfully filled for four years when he became associated with the famous Berlin Iron Bridge Company, as treasurer, and has since held that responsible position, in a very capable manner. He also creditably fills several other important offices, including that of vice-president of Peck, Stow & Wilcox Co.; director Phoenix National Bank, Hartford; director Mechanics National Bank, New Britain; trustee Berlin Savings Bank; secretary and treasurer Middletown and Portland Bridge Co.; president Berlin Agricultural Society and treasurer of the Berlin Wheel Co. Mr. Wilcox is a prominent member of St. Elmo Lodge, No. 31, Knights Templar, of Meriden; Sphinx Temple, Hartford; the college fraternity “Delta Psi;” Engineers’ Club of New York; Hartford Club; New Britain Club; Country Club, Farmington, and Republican Club of Hartford. He has always taken an active interest in the public affairs of his town, and for several years was chairman of the School Board. He is a staunch Republican and a member of the Society’s Committee of the Second Congregational Church of Berlin. On January 19, 1898, Senator Wilcox married Miss Harriet Churchill Webster, daughter of Deacon Charles and Julia S. (Higgins) Webster. Two children have come to brighten their home: Margaret Webster, born February 15, 1901, and Samuel Churchill born November 29, 1902. Senator Wilcox was a valuable member of the House in 1893, serving as clerk of the leading Committee on Judiciary. The present session he was the efficient Senate chairman of the following committees: Congressional and Senatorial Districts, Roads, Bridges and Rivers and Expositions. He is president of the Connecticut Commission Louisiana Purchase Exposition. His ever genial and upright qualities made him universally respected at the Capitol.
ALEXANDER T. PATTISON,
District No. 3.

Hon. Alexander T. Pattison of Simsbury, Republican Senator from the Third District, is the son of Joseph and Delia (Sceery) Pattison. He was born in East Westogue, town of Simsbury, March 26, 1861, and received his education in the public schools of the town, Granby Academy and Prof. McLean's School, Simsbury. He began his business career as clerk in the general store of Judson Wilcox, which was established in 1851. Since January, 1886, he has successfully managed the business. He married, October 7, 1885, Miss Ella Ruth Wilcox, daughter of Judson and Nancy S. (Chapman) Wilcox of Simsbury. They have had four daughters: Lucy W., born October 14, 1886; Stella C., born September 1, 1888, died Dec. 26, 1888, Julia E., born August 26, 1890, and Ruth Frances, born June 8, 1902. He has been secretary and treasurer of the Simsbury Cemetery Association since 1888, and is a director and secretary of the Simsbury Electric Co. He was a valuable member of the House in 1897. This session he was Senate chairman of the Committee on Appropriations and plainly showed that he was the "right man in the right place." He was also chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills. Senator Pattison's influence is ever felt for the good of the community in which he resides.
Hon. Charles C. Cook, of West Hartford, Republican Senator from the Fourth District, was born May 7, 1857, at Middletown. He is widely known as a successful contractor and builder.

In 1901 Mr. Cook was a member of the lower house and served upon the Railroad Committee. This session he was Senate Chairman of the Committees on Insurance and State Prison, also Chairman of the Special Committee on Reception to Senator and Mrs. Orville H. Platt.
Hon. Cornelius Tracy, of Waterbury, Republican Senator from the Fifth District, is the son of Abel C. and Caroline (Bown) Tracy, and was born in Litchfield, April 21, 1853. He received his education in the public schools of Litchfield, and at the age of fifteen went to Morris, where he worked for two years in a straw factory. In August, 1870, he removed to Waterbury to learn the carpenter's trade, and in August, 1872, he located in Thomaston, where he successfully conducted a contractor and builder's business for seven years. From 1882 to 1886 he was engaged in the lumber business in Waterbury. In the latter year he became associated with his brother George, under firm name of The Tracy Brothers Co., contractors, builders and lumber dealers. Senator Tracy is treasurer of the company. The firm has built up a large and ever-increasing business and has gained a flattering reputation throughout the State. On August 18, 1875, Mr. Tracy married Lucy B., daughter of David E. Doolittle, of Bethlehem, who died February 22, 1884, leaving two children—Clara L., wife of Elgin Bronson, of Waterbury, and Nellie M. On January 18, 1887, he married Edith M., daughter of Stillman B. Bronson, of Wolcott. They have had four children—Fred. C., born May 14, 1888, died March 21, 1897; Raymond B., born April 19, 1890, died March 5, 1897; Howard F., born May 8, 1894, and Edward B., born August 20, 1898.

Mr. Tracy is a director of the West Side Savings Bank; president of the Waterbury Boys' Club, and a member of Union Lodge, No. 96, F. and A. M., Thomaston. He was the efficient chairman of the Committee on Education and won many strong friends among the solons at the capitol.
Rev. Charles Page, of North Branford, Republican Senator from the Sixth District, is the son of Benjamin and Sarah E. (Merriam) Page, and was born in that town May 21, 1889. This is the third term he has had the honor of serving in the Legislature, being a member of the House of Representatives in 1874 and 1901. In the latter session he faithfully and ably served as the House chairman of the important Committee on Temperance. Senator Page was educated in the public schools of his native town, the Meriden High School, Guilford Institute, State Normal School at New Britain, and Yale Divinity School. For nine years he taught school. He was licensed to preach, September 30, 1885. On February 13, 1894, he became pastor of the Foxon Congregational Church, where he has since earnestly and successfully labored. He has been town clerk and treasurer since 1871, and was School Visitor from 1862 to 1883. Senator Page, on April 22, 1863, married Elbertine A., daughter of Luther F. Dudley of Guilford. They have three children: Charles A., born February 12, 1865; Edson C., born May 21, 1868; and May C., born August 1, 1870.

Senator Page has always taken a deep interest in all matters pertaining to the advancement and improvement of his town, which has been greatly appreciated, as is plainly shown by the renewed honors he has received from the hands of his townsmen. He gained a large circle of good friends at the Capitol who respect and esteem him for his sterling qualities.
Hon. Charles E. Graham, of West Haven, Republican Senator from the Seventh District, is the son of ex-Senator James Graham and Marla (Foote) Graham. He was born in Branford, February 9, 1858, and was educated in the public schools of his native town, General Russell's Military School, and at Williston Seminary. He is the surviving partner of the old-time firm of James Graham & Co., established in 1881, and has rapidly forged his way to the front in the brass foundry business. To-day, the trade mark "Graham" is a synonym of all that is upright, reliable and just. He is also president and treasurer of The West Haven Manufacturing Co., manufacturers of hardware specialties; president of The Utah & Eastern Copper Co., and director in the Evening Leader Co. Senator Graham on October 19, 1881, married Miss Hattie A. Marsh of West Haven. One child, Marguerite M., born March 13, 1887, has blessed the union. Senator Graham was a valuable member of the House from Orange in 1897, faithfully serving on the Committee on Insurance. Senator Graham is a member of the Congregational Church, is a thirty-second degree Mason and a member of the Mystic Shrine, and of the Union League Club. In domestic and local circles he is thoroughly popular and highly esteemed. He was the efficient chairman of three committees: Claims, Executive Nominations and Forfeited Rights.
Hon. Rollin S. Woodruff, of New Haven, Republican Senator from the Eighth District and president pro tempore of the Senate, is a native of Rochester, N. Y., and was born July 14, 1854. He is the son of Rev. Jeremiah and Clorise (Thompson) Woodruff, and was educated in the public schools of his native town and Lansing, Iowa. On January 14, 1876, Senator Woodruff married Kaorneo E. Perkins of New Haven. He has been a member of the Governor's Foot Guard since 1886. Senator Woodruff has always been deeply interested in all that appertained to financial and mercantile pursuits, and for many years he has been a member of the firm of C. S. Mersick & Co., who are among the most extensive iron, steel—and other metals—manufacturers in the world, and whose immense plant is located at 286, 288, 290 and 292 State Street, New Haven. Senator Woodruff is one of the leading spirits of this famous firm, as he is in everything he undertakes, and he is one of the most prominent members of the Chamber of Commerce, which is composed of only the most distinguished men in their line of business in New Haven. He is first vice-president and chairman of the New Enterprise Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Union League and of the Young Men's Republican Club. Senator Woodruff as a member of the Senate was one of the most popular Republicans in the General Assembly, and creditably served as chairman of the Committee on Finance. As president pro tem. of the Senate he won the reputation of being a model presiding officer.
Hon. Thomas Hamilton, of Groton, Republican Senator from the Ninth District, is the son of Alexander and Ann S. (Pillman) Hamilton and was born at New London, Prince Edward's Island, September 22, 1846. For twenty years he successfully followed the sea and was Captain from 1866 to 1877. In 1870 he began to lay the foundation of his present large and prosperous wholesale and retail fish and oyster business. He is now a member of the well known firms of G. M. Long & Co., New London, and Rocky Point Oyster Co., Providence, R. I. Both of these firms have gained a high reputation for reliability and honesty. Senator Hamilton is also president of the Groton Real Estate Company. On November 27, 1872, he married Miss Eunice Ellen Watrous, daughter of William and Eunice (Latham) Watrous, of Groton. Five children have come to brighten their home: Grace, born July 27, 1875, Clara, born June 27, 1879, Harry Thomas, born October 24, 1880, Frank Watrous, born December 15, 1886, and Ruth Ennis, born May 18, 1890. Senator Hamilton attends and is one of the executive committee of the Groton Congregational Church and Past Commander of Palestine Commandery, K. T., of New London. He was the efficient Senate chairman of the Committee on Fisheries and Game and a member of the Committee on Executive Nominations. He enjoys the confidence and respect of all who know him.
Hon. Nelson John Ayling, of Norwich, Republican Senator from the Tenth District, is the son of Henry M. and Mary J., (Carrier) Ayling, and was born in Columbus, Penn., October 1, 1868. Until nineteen years of age he resided at Columbus. He then lived one year at Oswego, N. Y., attending a business college: from there he went to Boston, Mass., where he was in the employ of Sawyer, Manning & Co., yarn and knit goods manufacturers. He left Boston in March, 1889, and entered the employ of The Union Hardware Co. at Torrington, where he remained until 1894, when he took up the study of law and located with Halsey & Briscoe at Norwich. He was appointed clerk of the City Court of Norwich. He was appointed clerk of the City Court of Norwich January 1, 1897, and continued until July 1, 1899, when he was appointed City Attorney for the city and town of Norwich, his present term expiring July 1, 1905. He was admitted to the Bar in New London County, December, 1898.

He is a trustee of the Norwich Savings Bank and director of the Thames Loan & Trust Co. Senator Ayling has been corporal of Co. A, 3rd Regt., C. N. G., since April 5, 1901, and is a prominent and influential member of several societies. He is junior warden of Somerset Lodge, No. 34, A. F. and A. M., member of Franklin Chapter, No. 4, R. A. M., Norwich, Franklin Council No. 2, R. and S. M., Norwich, Columbian Commandery No. 4, K. T., Norwich, Sphinx Temple, Hartford, Harmony Division Uniform Rank K. of P., Norwich Lodge, No. 430, B. P. O. of Elks, and Past Commander of Harmony Lodge, No. 27, K. of P., Torrington. Senator Ayling has filled all of his positions of trust and responsibility in a capable and pleasing manner. As Senate chairman of three important committees: Agriculture, Rules (Joint) and Constitutional Amendments (Joint) he won high praise for his faithful and efficient services. He richly merits renewed honors from the hands of his constituents.
Hon. Arthur M. Brown, of Jewett City (Griswold), Republican Senator from the Eleventh District, has the honor of being the youngest member the Senate has had for many years; also of being the youngest member of the House in 1901—ably serving on the Committee on Incorporations—and of being the youngest delegate to the Constitutional Convention in 1902. He is creditably following in the footsteps of his grandfather, Francis S. Young, who was a member of the Legislature in 1860 and his father, George W. Brown, who was a prominent member in 1872. Senator Brown's mother was Sarah F., daughter of Francis S. Young. He was born in Jewett City, September 24, 1877, and was educated in the public schools of his native town, supplemented by a course of three years at the well known Norwich Free Academy. As quartermaster of William A. Slater's steam yacht "Eleanor" he had the pleasure of cruising around the world in 1894-96. In the winter of 1897 he entered the office of Hon. Solomon Lucas of Norwich as student, and in January, 1901, was admitted to the New London County Bar. Senator Brown has always taken an active interest in the welfare of his town, and has been clerk and treasurer of the borough of Jewett City. He is a member of the Baptist Church and of Mt. Vernon Lodge, No. 75, F. and A. M. He was the efficient Senate chairman of the leading Committee on Incorporations. His proverbial good nature and gentlemanly qualities gained for him the universal respect of all his colleagues at the Capitol. He richly merits continued honors.
Hon. James F. Walsh, of Greenwich, Republican Senator from the Twelfth District, won distinction in the House of 1901 as the bright and able chairman of the leading Committee on Railroads. This session he gained renewed laurels as the “leader of the Senate,” plainly showing that as Senate chairman of the Judiciary Committee he was the “right man in the right place.” He was born in Lewisboro, N. Y., March 15, 1864, and is a son of James F. and Annie E. Walsh. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, and at the age of eighteen removed to Greenwich where he entered the law office of his brother, Hon. R. J. Walsh, as student. On January 20, 1888, he was admitted to the Fairfield County Bar, continuing to practice in partnership with his brother until January, 1890, when he opened an office of his own. He has met with signal success, having built up an unusually large and lucrative practice. He has also amassed a fortune in his extensive dealings in real estate. He is a director and attorney for the National Investment Company; a director and treasurer of the Byram Land Improvement Company; and director and treasurer of the Riverside Water Company. He has been the faithful and efficient prosecuting attorney of the Borough Court since its organization in 1888, and prosecuting attorney for the County Commissioners since 1888. Senator Walsh is a strong Republican, a highly respected member of the Episcopal Church, I. O. O. F., Riverside Yacht Club, and Indian Harbor Yacht Club. He married April 11, 1893, Emily Gene Tweedale, the estimable daughter of Joseph Tweedale of Portchester, N. Y. The marked ability Senator Walsh has displayed at all times will, without doubt, be further recognized by his hosts of friends all over the State. He well merits higher honors.
Hon. Lloyd Nash of Westport, Republican Senator from the Thirteenth District, was born in Westport, February 18, 1865, and has resided there continuously on the old homestead. The Nash family settled in the town of Norwalk in 1652, and is, therefore, one of the oldest and best known in western Connecticut. Since 1883, Senator Nash has had charge of the large estate, and under his management the extensive business founded by his father has prospered and grown. He has always taken a deep interest in public affairs in Westport, and his townsmen recognizing his ability in 1901 elected him to represent Westport in the General Assembly. During that session he served with credit upon the Committee on Banks. Senator Nash was the unanimous choice of his party for Senator from the Thirteenth District, and was elected by a handsome majority. He was selected as Senate chairman of the Committee on Banks and the Committee on Woman's Suffrage, and was also named as a member of the Committees on Senate Appointments and Contingent Expenses. Senator Nash was married April 6, 1885, his wife being Miss Charlotte Helen Colt of New York State. They have two children, Edward Colt, born February 15, 1887, and Louise Helen, born September 11, 1888.
ARCHIBALD McNEIL.
District No. 14.

Hon. Archibald McNeil, of Bridgeport, Democratic Senator from the Fourteenth District, is an honored native of that town, and was born July 2, 1843. He comes from substantial colonial ancestry. His great-grandfather was a prominent Revolutionary soldier; his grandfather participated in the French troubles which followed the Revolution, and was also a graduate of Yale, class of 1777. His father, Abram Archibald McNeil, was for many years extensively engaged in the West Indies trade. His mother was Mary Ann Hults, daughter of William Hults. Senator McNeil was educated in various private schools, among others the Selleck's School, and the celebrated Thomas School of New Haven, and in 1860 was graduated from the well known Hopkins Grammar School, connected with Yale College. In March, 1863, he formed a partnership with his brother, Charles H., under firm name of McNeil Brothers, wholesale fruit and produce dealers. They continued in business until 1876 when they removed to New York City, where they engaged in the wholesale butter and cheese business under the firm name of Archibald McNeil & Co. In 1879 the character of the business was changed to an exclusive export and import business with Cuba, the exports consisting chiefly of bituminous coal, flour, potatoes and other produce. In 1889 he returned to Bridgeport and established an extensive wholesale bituminous coal office, a business which he has since successfully conducted. In October, 1881, he married Miss Jean McKenzle C. Randol of New York City. Three children have blessed the union: Archibald, born June 1, 1882, Kenneth Wylie, born September 14, 1885, and Roderick C. Randol, born March 20, 1888. Senator McNeil is a charter member of the Eclectic Club, of which he was president two years, member for several years of the Seaside and Newer Algonquin Clubs, being a charter member and president two years of the latter. From 1874 to 1877 he was commodore of the first Bridgeport Yacht Club. In 1872 and 1873 he faithfully represented the old Second Ward in Bridgeport Common Council. He was nominated in 1896 as representative, but went down with the rest of the Democratic ticket, having the honor of running 400 ahead of his ticket. The following year he declined to be a candidate for Mayor. He takes a deep interest in everything which tends to benefit his town, and is unusually popular at home and at the Capitol.
Hon. William P. Bailey, of Bethel, Republican Senator from the Fifteenth District, is the son of Charles and Margaret (Broderick) Bailey, and was born in Stapleton, Staten Island, N. Y., February 1, 1860. At the age of three he came to Bethel, where he has since resided. He was educated in the public schools of Bethel, and on March 23, 1881, he married Miss Sophia R. Peck, daughter of Fairman Peck, Hattertown (Newtown). Three children have come to brighten their home: Harry F., born December 27, 1882, Margaret L., born March 3, 1885, and Carroll P., born March 15, 1883. At the age of seventeen he was apprenticed to learn the hatter's trade with Judd & Co., Bethel, which business he has since successfully followed. He has ever taken a deep and active interest in the labor movement, from the workingman's standpoint, but has always had the reputation for being "fair and square" on questions of differences. He has been secretary of the Hat Finishers' Union since July, 1889, and was treasurer of the National Hatters' Union four years, 1892 to 1896. Senator Bailey is a staunch Republican and enjoys the confidence of his townsmen to that degree that he is now serving his fourth term as a selectman of Bethel, in which locality he was a judge of probate for four years, having but recently retired from that place of trust. Senator Bailey has always been active in all things pertaining to the welfare of his town, and the past two years has accomplished much good work for the town as president of the Board of Trade. He is an influential member of the Congregational Church and Eureka Lodge, F. and A. M., and the past six years has been secretary of Putnam Lodge, K. of P. He was the popular and efficient Senate chairman of two important committees: Humane Institutions and New Towns and Probate Districts; also of the Committee on Putnam Memorial Camp. Senator Bailey was one of the most active members of the General Assembly. His upright qualities gained for him the highest respect and esteem of his colleagues.
Hon. Frederick A. Jacobs, of Killingly (Danielson), Republican Senator from the Sixteenth District is an honored native of that town, and was born October 15, 1855. He is a son of Oliver P. and Charlotte (Hill) Jacobs and was educated in the public schools of Danielson. He commenced his business career as a 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 $50,000 under name of The E. H. Jacobs Manufacturing Company. F. A. Jacobs has been treasurer of the company since its organization. The firm has now an eminently fine reputation throughout the country. Upright dealings and first class goods make a strong combination, and the popularity of this establishment is certainly well deserved. They are sole manufacturers of several valuable specialties for the mill trade. Their goods are shipped to all parts of the United States and Canada. Agencies for their goods are established in various cities of the country, salesmen also cover New England. Mr. Jacobs has been a director of the First National Bank since 1892, and president of the People's Tramway Company since its organization in 1898. He was the first president of the Danielson Board of Trade and secretary of the Village Improvement Society. He was warden of the borough in 1887. He is president of the Riverview Association and has been the treasurer of the Westfield Congregational Sunday-school the past nineteen years. He has also been one of the deacons 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., Marjorie J., Laura G., and Charlotte C., deceased. Mr. Jacobs is one of Danielson's foremost enterprising citizens, and has done much to further the borough's advancement. He was a popular member of the House in '95, in which he was chairman of Committee on New Towns and Probate Districts and also a member of the Committee on Military Affairs. He was returned to the House in '97, serving as the efficient chairman of the Committee on Federal Relations. This session he acted as Senate chairman of the Committees on Military Affairs and Senate Appointments, faithfully filling the positions in a pleasing manner.
Hon. Charles A. Gates of Windham (Willimantic), Republican Senator from the Seventeenth District, was born August 22, 1867, in Mifflin Township, Richland County, Ohio, and was educated in the public schools and business college at Mansfield, Ohio. In April, 1888, he came East and entered the employ of the N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co., at Willimantic, in the capacity of baggage-master and clerk. He was promoted to an agency in 1891, since which time he has been station agent at Franklin, Mass., Waterbury, Conn., Southbridge, Mass., and since March 1, 1895, at Willimantic. He is a member of Natchaug Lodge, No. 22, Knights of Pythias, and Obwebetuck Lodge, No. 16, I. O. O. F. In 1891 he was elected Councilman-at-Large, in Willimantic, for two years, and is a member of several of the important committees of the city government. In 1902 he was elected president of the Horseshoe Park Agricultural Association and re-elected in 1903. Senator Gates was an influential member of the General Assembly in 1899, and again in 1901, serving with credit on the Committee on Finance, and chairman of the Committee on Contingent Expenses. This session he was Senate chairman of the Committee on Excise (Temperance) and Contingent Expenses, and won renewed laurels as a bright, popular and faithful legislator.
FREDERICK F. FUESSENICH,
District No. 18.

Hon. Frederick F. Fuessenich of Torrington, Democratic Senator from the Eighteenth District, is a native of Duren (Prussia) Germany, and was born May 7, 1848. He came to this country with his parents in 1853, locating in Goshen. He has been a resident of Torrington since 1857. He lived on a farm for three years and then worked in a woolen mill for three years, and later in a drug store. He was educated in the local public school, and received no institutional schooling after he had attained the age of 12 years. On October 4, 1876, he married Elizabeth C. Blake, of Essex. Six children have come to brighten their home: Mabel Blake, L. Cleveland, Hervey Blake, Frederick W., Henry H., and Elizabeth C. Senator Fuessenich is a director and treasurer of the Torrington Electric Light Company, and treasurer of the Hendey Machine Company. He is also a director of the Torrington National Bank, director of the Torrington Printing Company, and the Torrington and Winchester Street Railway Company. He has always taken a deep interest in the upbuilding of his town, and has successfully served as town clerk, and as a Burgess of the Borough of Torrington. He is a highly respected communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church, a member of the vestry of Trinity Church, a member of Seneca Lodge, No. 55, F. and A. M., having been treasurer twenty years, a member of Clark Commandery, K. T., is one of the vice-presidents of the Torrington Club, and a director of the Torrington Y. M. C. A. As a Senator he was ever wide awake and active, rendering efficient and faithful service to the State and his district.
Hon. George H. Clark, of Salisbury, Democratic Senator from the Nineteenth District, is an honored native of that town. He is the son of George B., and Betsy A. (Hamlin) Clark, and was born April 2, 1848. He received his education in the public schools of his town and at Adelphi Institute, New Milford. On October 25, 1882, he married Mary E. Ball. He is a staunch Democrat and faithfully represented the town of Salisbury in the House, three sessions, 1879, 1891 and 1893. Senator Clark has been prominently identified in town affairs for many years. He has been town treasurer for eighteen years, town clerk for eight years, a selectman, and a registrar. He is a highly esteemed vestryman of the Episcopal Church, and M. of E. of the Knights of Pythias. He has been engaged in the mercantile business for many years, and is vice-president of the Salisbury Cutlery Handle Co. The continued honors extended to him by his townsmen speak plainer than words as to his popularity and efficiency.
THOMAS D. BRADSTREET,
District No. 20.

Hon. Thomas Dudley Bradstreet, of Thomaston, Republican Senator from the Twentieth District, is the son of Thomas J. and Amanda (Thomas) Bradstreet. He was born August 1, 1841, and was educated in the public schools of his native town, supplemented by a course at the Hudson River Institute, Claveback, N. Y. On March 23, 1864, he married Sarah M. Perry, daughter of Julius Perry of Waterbury. They have been blessed with two children: Annie Dudley and Perry Thomas, born April 30, 1872, died September 13, 1874. In 1873 Senator Bradstreet entered the employ of the famous Seth Thomas Clock Company, and gradually worked his way up to be vice-president and general manager of the Company, a position he has successfully filled since 1886. He was a prominent member of the House in 1886, and in the Civil War faithfully served as First Sergeant, Co. D., 19th Regt. Conn. Vols., and was Chief of the fire department of Thomaston from 1882 to 1897. He is an influential Republican, a highly respected member of the Congregational Church, member of Clark Commandery, K. T., of Waterbury, Pyramid Temple of Bridgeport, Russell Post, G. A. R., of Thomaston, Sons of Revolution, Army and Navy Club of Connecticut, Thomaston Club and Hartford Club. He is also a director of the Seth Thomas Clock Co., Thomaston National Bank, and president of the Thomaston Water Company. Senator Bradstreet was the popular and efficient Senate chairman of the Committees on Labor and Cities and Boroughs and was president of the Legislative Veteran Association. He has done much to advance the welfare of his town. His influence is ever felt for the good of the community in which he resides and where he is universally respected.
Hon. Henry M. Snell, of Saybrook, Republican Senator from the Twenty-first district, was born in Taunton, Mass., August 8, 1860. He is the son of Thomas M. and Mary (Claflin) Snell. When he was two years of age his parents removed to Attleboro, Mass., where he lived for twenty years. He then, for two years, was engaged in office work in Providence, and in April, 1884, came to Deep River, town of Saybrook, where he has since resided. He is a graduate of the Providence High School, class '81. Since August 8, 1885, he has been engaged in the manufacturing business with M. W. Potter, under the firm name of Potter & Snell. The firm manufacture high grade novelties in wire and have established a trade in every country in the world. Mr. Snell has always been a staunch Republican and has been prominent in local affairs. He was County Commissioner four years, 1893 to 1897, has been a member of the Board of Relief, and has served on the School Board for many years, and is a trustee of the Deep River Savings Bank. On December 30, 1891, he married Emma, daughter of George A. Bull of Deep River. In the House of 1899 Senator Snell was a valuable member of the leading Committee on Incorporations. This session he was the faithful and capable Senate chairman of the important Committee on Railroads. He has always taken a deep interest in everything which tended to advance or benefit his town. His nomination and election as Representative and Senator were graceful tributes to his popularity and efficiency.
Hon. Eddie S. Davis, of Middletown, Democratic Senator from the Twenty-Second District, is the son of Charles E. and Marcia (Albee) Davis, and was born in Rockingham, Vt., September 2, 1851. He was educated in

the public schools of his native town, and at the Chester (Vt.) Academy. At the age of sixteen he began his business life as clerk in a country store at Rockingham. On March 1, 1870, he removed to Middletown, where his brother, Lewis O., had been located since 1866, and served as clerk for Hubbard Brothers for three years. In 1875, he entered into partnership with his brother, under the firm name of L. O. & E. S. Davis. In 1880 they purchased the business of J. W. Hubbard & Co., dealers in lumber, paints, oils, etc. By honorable dealings and close attention to business they have become the most extensive concern in their section of the State. Senator Davis is prominent in Masonic circles in Connecticut. He was raised in St. John's Lodge, Middletown, receiving third degree November 28, 1873; is a member of Washington Chapter, No. 6; was knighted July 25, 1879, became Eminent Commander of Cyrene Commandery in 1891, holding the position for two years, and is now treasurer of same; was elected grand senior warden of the Grand Commandery, March 19, 1885; has received the thirty-second degree Scottish Rite; in 1900 was made R. E. Grand Commander, Knights Templar of Connecticut, and is held in high esteem in all the Masonic bodies with which he is identified. He has also been regent of the local lodge of Royal Arcanum, and is a member of A. O. U. W. He is president of the Baston Clothing Company, and president of the Middletown Building and Loan Association, treasurer of the Middletown Board of Trade, treasurer of the Masonic Building Association, trustee of the Middletown Savings Bank, and has been a director of the Central National Bank. He has served one term as a Democratic Alderman, and in 1902 was appointed by Mayor Mills a member of the Board of Water Commissioners. On January 9, 1878, he married Miss Carrie A., daughter of Seth and Nancy (Kelley) Savage, of Middletown. They have been blessed with two children: Oscar Savage, born October 12, 1879, and Alice, born September 18, 1884.

EDDIE S DAVIS,
District No. 22.
Hon. Thomas F. Noone, of Vernon (Rockville), Senator from the Twenty-third District, was born in Rockville, September 8, 1873. Senator Noone was educated in the public schools of the East District in his native city, and the Rockville High School. Upon his graduation he entered upon a business career, but after five years' successful experience therein he chose to indulge his fondness for the law and entered the Yale Law School, from which he was graduated, cum laude, in 1899. Shortly afterward he opened an office for the practice of his profession in Rockville, which he still conducts. Senator Noone is Prosecuting Attorney for the City Court of Rockville, and attorney for the Rockville Business Men's Association, and enjoys a desirable and constantly increasing general practice. Despite much urging upon the part of his many friends he refrained from any participation in politics until last year, when he reluctantly accepted the Democratic nomination for Senator in the Twenty-third District. The District is considered hopelessly Republican, but owing to his great run in his home city he was successful. Although attaining the honor of an election to the Senate at an unusually early age, Senator Noone has proved his capacity as a legislator, and his many friends predict that he would be the recipient of higher honors could he be induced to remain in the political arena.
Hon. Olon S. Chaffee, of Mansfield, Republican Senator from the Twenty-fourth District, is an honored native of that town. He is the son of Orwell Schaffer and Lucin (Conant) Chaffee, and was born November 20, 1855. He received his education in the public schools of his town, supplemented by a course at Fitch's School, Norwalk. He has been a successful silk manufacturer for many years, and in the spring of 1892, owing to increased business, he removed to a larger mill at Montville. He is a staunch Republican, and was an influential member of the House of Representatives in 1882. He was the efficient Senate chairman of the leading Committee on Manufactures and a member of the Committee on Senate Appointments. His proverbial good nature and kind disposition made him a universal favorite at the Capitol. Senator Chaffee is an active participant in every interest that pertains to the welfare of his community.
MICHAEL KENEALY, Stamford,
Speaker of the House.

Hon. Michael Kenealy, of Stamford, Speaker of the House, is the son of John and Johanna (Fitzgerald) Kenealy. He is a native of Stamford and was born July 8, 1854. In 1873 he entered the law office of J. H. Olmstead where he studied for three years. He was admitted to the bar in June, 1876, and has since successfully practiced law. He was prosecuting attorney and corporation counsel for several years, and has always taken a deep interest in the upbuilding of his town. He was a valuable member of the commission to revise the General Statutes of the State. Mr. Kenealy was a member of the House in 1897, creditably serving on the Judiciary Committee and as chairman of the Committee on Judicial Nominations. In 1899 his previous valuable experience and judicial training made him the natural choice of the Speaker for the important position of chairman of the Judiciary Committee and the leader of the House. In 1901 he had the honor of being Senate Chairman of the Judiciary Committee. As Speaker of the House he made a record of which to feel proud. His recognized ability as a sound thinker, logical reasoner, fluent speaker, and a model parliamentarian, made him a valuable and capable legislator and presiding officer, and won the high regard of all at the Capitol.
Elmore S. Banks, of Fairfield, Republican leader of the House, was born in Southport, May 24, 1866. He graduated from the Law Department of Yale University, class of '95, and was admitted to the Bar in January, 1895. He has been Judge of Probate for the District of Fairfield since February, 1896, and is a member of the law firm of Davenport & Banks of Bridgeport. On April 4, 1898, he married Beulah M. Galloway, of Sebree, Kentucky. His first legislative experience was as a member of the session of 1901, when he was chairman of the Committee on Insuranace. This session he was chairman of the Committees on Judiciary and Rules.
James P. Woodruff, of Litchfield, Democratic leader of the House, is a native of the town he has had the honor to represent in the General Assembly for two terms—1899 and 1903. He is the son of George M., and Elizabeth (Parsons) Woodruff, and was born October 30, 1868. He was graduated from Amherst College, 1891. From Yale Law School, 1893. Admitted to Litchfield County Bar, July 29th, 1893. He took a year of post graduate work in Yale Law School 1893-94, receiving the degree of M. L. The same year received the degree of M. A. from Amherst College. In July, 1894, he formed a partnership with his father, Hon. George M. Woodruff, for the practice of law in Litchfield. He was married February 12, 1895, to Lillian Churchill Bell of New York city. He has been a member of the Board of Education in the Town of Litchfield since 1894, a member of the Board of Burgesses from April, 1895, to April, 1898, Warden of Borough 1896-1898, Director in Litchfield Savings Society, director and treasurer of the Litchfield Mutual Fire Ins. Co., director of the Litchfield Water Company, director and secretary of the Litchfield Gas Light Company, and Clerk of the Probate Court for the District of Litchfield. He was also the popular and capable "leader" on the "Democratic side" in 1899, and was a valuable member of the Judiciary Committee both sessions; also a member of Joint and House Committees on Rules. His courteous and faithful service won the respect and confidence of all at the Capitol.
Clarence H. Savage, of Mansfield, is the son of Henry E. and T. Caroline (Knapp) Savage, and was born in Berlin, September 16, 1869. He removed to Mansfield in January, 1894. He was educated in the Middletown High School and Storrs Agricultural School, graduating from the latter in class of '88. On October 22, 1890, he married Clara Snow, daughter of David H. and Mary (Collins) Snow of Mansfield. Two children have come to brighten their home: Arthur Willis, born August 29, 1891, and Henry Elliott, born February 21, 1897.

Mr. Savage is a successful farmer, and is Past Master of Mansfield Grange, No. 64, P. of H. He is an active Republican, and is clerk of the Congregational Church of Mansfield. He has always taken a deep interest in town affairs, and has creditably served as an assessor (1897, '99, '01) and as Acting School Visitor, and as a member of the Town School Committee. He was the capable chairman of the important Committee on Agriculture, and won the highest respect and esteem of a large circle of friends at the Capitol.
Everett J. Lake, of Hartford, is the son of Thomas A. and Martha A. (Cockings) Lake, and was born in Woodstock, February 8, 1871. He was educated in the High School at Stromsburg, Neb., and in 1890 was graduated from the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and in 1892 was graduated from Harvard College as a grade A man, and in which institution he became immeasurably popular and companionable, traits of character which have since made him the representative citizen he is to-day. Mr. Lake, on September 4, 1895, married Eva Louise Sykes, daughter of George Sykes, a prominent manufacturer of Rockville. Two bright and promising children have come to brighten their home: Harold S., born September 3, 1896, and Marjorie S., born March 1, 1900. Mr. Lake has been a member of the board of school visitors of Hartford, and has "by heart" every technicality of the educational system of the municipality and takes the deepest interest in everything appertaining thereto. He is also a director of the Hartford National Bank, in which capacity he is honored and respected by his brother officials as a man of acumen and high financial ability. He is also a member of the major's staff of the First Company, Governor's Foot Guard, and president and treasurer of the Hartford Lumber Company and president and treasurer of the Tunnel Coal Company. Mr. Lake was one of the brightest and most popular and active members of the House. He won a flattering reputation as chairman of the important Committee on Appropriations and as the chairman of the Special Committee on Reception to Senator O. H. Platt. He richly merits higher honors from the hands of his townsmen.
FLOYD F. HITCHCOCK, Woodbury, Chairman of the Committee on Capitol Furniture and Grounds.

Floyd F. Hitchcock, of Woodbury, has the honor of representing his town in the Legislature two consecutive terms, 1901 and 1903. He is the son of Edmond and Angeline (Terrill) Hitchcock, and was born in Ansonia, November 6, 1844. He is a lineal descendant of Matthias Hitchcock, one of the early colonial settlers, who landed at Boston with the Rev. John Davenport in 1637, and with others formed a settlement at what was afterwards called New Haven, Conn. The subject of this sketch received his education in the public schools. In 1862 he went to Woodbury and entered the establishment of George B. Lewis in the "Hollow," to learn the tinsmith's trade. He remained eight years with Mr. Lewis, at the end of which time he bought out the business. In 1873 he purchased the Woodruff property—house and business block—on Main Street, the latter of which he has enlarged and improved until it is the most commodious and best equipped of its kind in this vicinity. Here he carries on an extensive business in hardware, agricultural implements, plumbing, and all that this implies, easily leading in amount and variety of stock kept, number of hands employed and business done, any establishment of this character in Western Connecticut. Mr. Hitchcock is a stanch Republican. He was elected Judge of Probate for the Woodbury District in 1895, the only time he has consented to become a candidate for this position, and the only Republican elected to it in this district since 1860. He was a member of the Board of School Visitors for nine years, and has interested himself especially in the cause of education. In the Legislature of 1901, Mr. Hitchcock was a member of the Committee on Banks. This session he was chairman of the Committee on Capitol Furniture and Grounds, and a member of the Committee on Judicial Nominations. He took an active part in the proceedings of the House.
WILLIAM B. COIT, New London,
Chairman of the Committee on Cities and Boroughs.

William Brainard Coit, of New London, is an honored native of that town. He is the son of Robert and Lucretia (Brainard) Coit, and was born July 23, 1862. Mr. Coit traces his descent from John Coit, one of the early pioneers of the State, who came from Gloucester, Mass., in 1650, and settled in New London. On his father's side of the family line, he is a direct descendant of Elder Brewster of the Mayflower, through his daughter Grace, and also of Lion Gardiner of Gardiner's Island. Mr. Coit's father is prominent in State politics, having represented his town in the General Assembly of '79 and '97, and was a Senator from the Ninth Senatorial District in '80, '81, '82, and '83, and his record was that of an able and influential legislator. Representative Coit was educated in public and private schools in his early youth, was a graduate from Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., class of '81, and finished his education at Yale, class of '84 S. He then studied law, and was admitted to the bar December 24, 1887. He was elected Prosecuting Attorney of the city in '94, '96, '97, '98, '99, and has also creditably served as Assistant Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, of New London County, and is now Judge of the City and Police Court of New London. Mr. Coit was paymaster of the 3rd Regiment, C. N. G., with rank of Lieutenant, on the staff of Col. Augustus C. Tyler, 1887 to 1889. He is a director of the Union Bank, of New London, and a trustee of the Savings Bank of New London, and of Smith Memorial Home. His society affiliations are with Brainard Lodge, No. 102, F. and A. M., and New London Lodge, No. 360, Elks. Mr. Coit was married October 20, 1886, to Anna Blanchard Bancroft, daughter of Major E. A. Bancroft, retired, U. S. A. In the Legislature of 1901, Mr. Coit was a member of the important Committee on the Revision of the Statutes, and House Chairman of the Committee on Rules. He also served on the Committee on Cities and Boroughs. This session won renewed laurels as the bright and efficient chairman of the Committee on Cities and Boroughs. Representative Coit is a Republican in politics, is a ready speaker and took active part in the leading debates on the important questions that came before the House.
Clarence M. Ely, of Harwinton, is a native of that town and has had the honor of representing the town in the Legislature two terms, 1891 and 1903, and in the Constitutional Convention of 1902. He is the son of Albro and Philomela (Thompson) Ely and was born June 18, 1855. He attended the common school until the fall of 1872, when he entered the State Normal School at New Britain, and was graduated from that institution January 24, 1874, standing fourth in the class of sixteen members. He commenced to teach school at Willimantic in December, 1875, and taught in Litchfield during the winter of 1876 and in Cheshire in 1877 and 1878. During the next two years he worked in the wood and lumber business for his father and brothers and in 1880 he went into the dry goods business, as a clerk, in Danielson, and remained there until after the death of his uncle, Edwin Ely, the head of the firm of Ely & Co., in January, 1883. Mr. Ely returned to Harwinton in June, 1883, and has since resided there. In 1888 his father died and he assumed the management of his estate and continues in that position now. In 1892 he went into partnership with his brother, Eli T. Ely, of Harwinton, in the manufacture of lumber, under the firm name of Ely Brothers, contractors and manufacturers of all kinds of domestic lumber, with which firm he still remains. He has creditably filled several town offices, being First Selectman two years, 1889 and 1890, School Visitor one year, 1895, and a member of the School Board six years, 1890 to 1896. He is a member of Village Lodge, No. 29, Collinsville, F. and A. M., and of the Torrington Wheel Club. He is a popular and wide-awake Republican and has filled all of his offices of trust and responsibility in a highly creditable manner. On June 18, 1903, he married Miss Effie Lull, daughter of Mrs. Frederick Hayes, of East Hartford. He gained many strong friends at the Capitol as the efficient chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments (Joint) and as a valuable member of the Committees on Labor and Military Affairs.
ROBERT SCOVILLE, Salisbury,
Chairman of the House Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Robert Scoville, of Salisbury, is the son of Nathaniel C. Scoville, and was born in Buffalo, N. Y., January 4, 1876. He was one of the youngest and most active and influential members of the House two consecutive sessions, 1901 and 1903.
HERBERT KNOX SMITH, Hartford,
Chairman of the Committee on Contested Elections.

Herbert Knox Smith, of Hartford, is the son of Rev. Edward A., and Melissa E. (Knox) Smith and was born in Chester, Mass., November 17, 1869, where he resided with his parents until 1874, and then removed to Farmington, where he remained until 1888, when he became a resident of Hartford. Representative Smith acquired his rudimentary education in the Lawrenceville school, and afterward became a student in Yale College, and was graduated from class of 1891. He then took a course in the Yale Law School, graduating in 1895, and was admitted to the Hartford County Bar in July of that year. From 1900 to 1902, Mr. Smith was one of Hartford's most prominent councilmen and as such has always adhered to the theory and practice that the public interests should never be subservient to those of mere personal concern. Mr. Smith is deeply interested in many of the private and public institutions of Hartford. He is a director in the American School for the Deaf, Wadsworth Atheneum, Farmington Savings Bank, Hartford Y. M. C. A., chairman Republican Town Committee, of Hartford, member of the Board of Park Commissioners, and secretary and treasurer of Yale Alumni Association. As chairman of the Republican Town Committee, Mr. Smith has distinguished himself as a man of ability and integrity in everything that he has undertaken. In the Legislature Mr. Smith creditably served on the leading Committee on Judiciary, the Important House Committee on Constitutional Amendments, and as chairman of the Committee on Contested Elections. He proved to be a model legislator. He had the faculty for bright, clear and terse statements and always commanded the strict attention of his hearers. In August, 1903 (since the above was written), he was appointed Deputy Commissioner of Corporations at Washington, D. C. A promising future is before him.
JOHN W. ATWOOD, Plainfield, Chairman of the Committee on Contingent Expenses.

General John Walter Atwood, of Plainfield, is the son of James S. and Julia A. M. Atwood, and was born at Wauregan, in the town of Plainfield, May 18, 1864. James S. Atwood, his father, was the son of John and Julia A. (Batty) Atwood and was born in Scituate, R. I., March 17, 1832. He was educated at Smithville Seminary, in Scituate, and at Woodstock Academy, in Woodstock, and at an early age entered his father's cotton mill, in Williamsville. There he mastered every detail of cotton manufacturing, serving in the various capacities from bobbin boy to general manager. He was also prominent in public affairs, representing his town in the Legislature of 1888, and serving as a Republican Presidential Elector in the campaign of 1884. He died February 20, 1885, in his fifty-third year, universally respected and esteemed. John Walter Atwood received his education in the public schools at Wauregan, at Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., and at Sheffield Scientific School of Yale College. After leaving the university he entered the Wauregan Mills, where he thoroughly mastered the details of cotton manufacturing. In 1888 he was made superintendent of the mills, which position he still holds. He also owns other large manufacturing interests and has done much toward making Wauregan one of the most prosperous and attractive manufacturing villages in the State. Mr. Atwood has always been a staunch Republican, but prior to his election to the State Legislature, in 1899, has always declined public office, preferring to give his whole time to business affairs. In 1899 he was a valuable member of the important Committee on Appropriations. This session he was again a member of the Committee on Appropriations, chairman of the House Committee on Contingent Expenses, and a member of the Special Committee on Reception to U. S. Senator O. H. Platt. He was Commissary-General on Governor Lounsbury's staff until July 1, 1899, when, on the resignation of General H. O. Averill, he was made Paymaster-General. He was reappointed by Governor McLean. Mr. Atwood is one of the most popular citizens of his section of the State, an acknowledged leader of the Republican party, a man of great force of character and business ability, and in every capacity has achieved success and honor.
Frank Thomas Maples of Norwich is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of Captain Charles and Maria (Post) Maples and was born February 6, 1857. He received his education in the public schools of Norwich and at Vandenhoff's School of Elocution. On May 4, 1887, he married Emma F. Leach, daughter of Dr. Henry W. and Esther E. Leach, of Norwich. One daughter, Edna Jose- phine, born March 18, 1893, has blessed the union. Mr. Maples for many years has been successfully engaged in educational work. He is widely known as an elocutionist and as the teacher of the "Let Your Light so Shine" class in the Central Baptist Church Sunday-school; one of the most popular classes in the State. He is a staunch Republican and has creditably filled the office of School Visitor. He is also a trustee of the Norwich Insane Hospital, treasurer of the Norwich Boys' Club, and treasurer of the Puritan Spring Company. His genial manner and sterling qualities have gained for him hosts of friends at home and at the Capitol. He was the efficient House chairman of the important Committee on Education.
FREDERICK E. CROSS, Waterbury, Chairman of the Committee on Expositions.

Frederick E. Cross, of Waterbury, is the son of Frederick and Lucia A. (Clark) Cross and was born in Cape Vincent, Jefferson County, N. Y., May 14, 1846. When he was two and a half years old his father died, and at the age of seven he went to Waterbury. He enlisted in the army the last year of the war and was honorably discharged at its close, and is a member of Wadham's Post, G. A. R. He is treasurer and director of the Cross & Spiers Machine Co., and has long been identified with the public affairs of the city of Waterbury, having successfully served as Councilman of the Second Ward for two terms. His qualifications for public service and his faithful service to his constituents caused them to nominate and elect him to the Aldermanic Board, and he is now the Senior Alderman of Waterbury. He was a Police Commissioner and member of the Board of Finance, chairman of the Committee on Rules, and is a member of the Business Men's Association. On December 22, 1868, he married Ellen T. Spiers. Four children have been born to them: Grace Emily, wife of H. G. Dodge, born August 24, 1870, married June 6, 1894, Lucia Agnes, wife of Dr. C. D. Wooding, born May 25, 1873, married June 23, 1894, Frank W., born June 19, 1878, died July 10, 1890, and Ellen M., born June 21, 1880. Mr. Cross was initiated into Nosahogan Lodge, No. 21, I. O. O. F., on July 25, 1871, and after serving the Lodge in many subordinate positions, was elected Noble Grand June 30, 1885, creditably serving for two terms. He is a Past Chief Patriarch of Ansantawae Encampment, No. 20, and a Chevalier of Canton T. R. Martin, No. 8. He is also a member of the Royal Arcanum and is a wide-awake Republican. Mr. Cross was the efficient chairman of the Committee on Expositions and a member of the House Committee on Constitutional Amendments. He was one of the most active and influential members of the House.
FLOYD CRANSKA, Plainfield, Chairman of the Committee on Finance.

Floyd Cranska, of Plainfield (Moosup), is a native of Thompson and was born September 16, 1849. He is the son of James and Asenath (Randall) Cranska. He was educated in the public schools and at the age of nineteen removed to Grosvenordale, where he was engaged as assistant station agent and postmaster of the village. Soon after he accepted a position with the Grosvenordale Mfg. Co. as head clerk and paymaster of their mills. After a faithful service of ten years, he severed his connection with this company and in January, 1880, upon purchasing the cotton mill at Moosup, formerly known as the Gladding mill, began there the manufacture of cotton yarns for the weaving trade. Mr. Cranska made improvements in the mill, introducing machinery for the manufacture of a high grade of thread yarns. The superior quality of the production of the mill created a steady demand for its goods, and in 1886 the capacity of the mill was doubled by the erection of a stone addition. In connection with the yarn mill at Moosup, Mr. Cranska operates a prosperous thread finishing plant at Worcester, Mass., which supplies spool cotton of every variety directly to the manufacturing trade. On October 3, 1877, Mr. Cranska married Evelyn C., daughter of Lucius Briggs, then agent of the Grosvenordale Mfg. Co. Six children were born to them: Annie Louise, Lucius Briggs, Harriet Atwood, Evelyn Clara; a daughter, Caroline Matilda, and son, Floyd, Jr., are deceased. Mrs. Cranska died March 26, 1900. Mr. Cranska was for many years clerk and treasurer of the Baptist Church of Moosup. He was at one time a director of the Thompson Savings Bank. In the Legislature of 1903 he very acceptably served as chairman of the Committee on Finance.
George Austin Bowen, of Woodstock, was born in Woodstock, July 7, 1841. He went with his parents to Brooklyn, New York, in the fall of 1851, and received a liberal education in the schools of that city, and was graduated from the University of New York in 1862, with the degree of M.D. He received a hospital appointment and practiced his profession in Brooklyn till May, 1873, when he returned to Woodstock for a season's vacation. Here he decided to remain and has since made it his home and continued in the practice of medicine. He has always been active in politics and prominently connected with local and State associations. Among the many offices he has held include: Secretary of the famous Woodstock Farmers' Club, president of the Woodstock Agricultural Society, director Woodstock Creamery Corporation, president of the Connecticut Dairymen's Association, first master of Senexet Grange, lecturer of the State Grange, master of the State Grange, high priest of the National Grange, and president of the Patrons' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Hartford. In 1895 he was surgeon-general on Governor Coffin's staff, and in 1902 was a delegate to the Constitutional Convention. He was chairman of the Committee on Humane Institutions.
Hugh Mead Alcorn, of Suffield, is the son of Hugh G., and Susan Ford Alcorn and was born in Suffield, October 24, 1872. He was graduated from the Connecticut Literary Institution, class 1894, and entered the law offices of Case, Bryant & Case, Hartford, in September of that year. He was admitted to the Hartford County Bar in June, 1897, and has since practiced his profession in Hartford. On June 28, 1900, he married Miss Cora Terry Wells of Suffield. They have one son, Howard Wells, born May 14, 1901. Mr. Alcorn is a Republican, a Knight Templar, and a member of several other fraternities. He was Chairman of the Committee on Incorporations and took an active part in the doings of the House.
James R. Mead, of Greenwich, is a member of one of the oldest and most influential families in the State, being a descendant of John Mead, the noted pioneer, who came from England to America in 1642, and settled at Sound Beach in 1660. Mr. Mead is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the Legislature, and was born August 28, 1860. He is the youngest son of Benjamin C. and Mary E. (Ritch) Mead and brother of ex-Comptroller Benjamin P. Mead of New Canaan, and was educated in the Greenwich Academy. He then read law with Col. H. W. R. Hoyt, one of the leading lawyers of the State, and after his admission to the Bar in 1882, he practiced three years with his preceptor. He then opened an office of his own and soon established a large and flourishing practice. He has been the town clerk of the town of Greenwich since 1886, having had the office longer than any other incumbent. He is the president of the State Association of Town Clerks, has been a burgess of the borough of Greenwich since 1898, assistant prosecuting attorney of the Borough Court, ten years, and in 1898 was appointed deputy judge of the Borough Court. He takes a deep interest in the upbringing of his town, and is interested in several business enterprises. He is a director and vice-president of the Mianus Manufacturing Company, one of the leading blanket and lap robe manufactory in this section, a director of the Greenwich Savings Bank, secretary of the Putnam Cemetery Association, is a director and treasurer of both the Noroton and Glenbrook Water Companies, and one of the directors and stockholders of the New Canaan Water Company, and is a member of the Indian Harbor Yacht Club. Mr. Mead is also a charter member in the local lodge of O. N. A. M., and an active member of the Greenwich fire patrol. On November 14, 1888, he was married to Elizabeth M., daughter of Thomas Stone, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Their only child James R. Jr., was born July 1, 1894, and died September 12, 1895. Mr. Mead was the efficient chairman of the Committee on Insurance and a member of the Committee on Congressional and Senatorial Districts, of the present Legislature. Few men are as universally esteemed or enjoy such a high degree of confidence of their fellow citizens as Mr. Mead.

JAMES R. MEAD, Greenwich.
Chairman of the Committee on Insurance.
ISAAC F. MILES, New Britain,
Chairman of the Committee on Labor.

Isaac F. Miles, of New Britain, is the son of Isaac and Rebecca Miles and was born in Hartford, November 7, 1858. He was educated in the public schools of his native town and at E. L. Hart's private high school, at Farmington. On October 27, 1880, he married Sarah J. Gallagher. Two children have been born to them: Harry E., born Dec. 26, 1881, and Marguerite, born July 25, 1892. Mr. Miles is a wide-awake and influential Republican. He was messenger in the House of Representatives in 1897, and messenger in the Senate in 1899 and 1901. He is a member of the Congregational Church, F. and A. M., I. O. O. F., N. E. O. P., American Mechanics, and is P. G. of Phenix Lodge, No. 52, and P. C. P. of Comstock Encampment, I. O. O. F. Mr. Miles for many years has been a popular and successful dealer in monumental work. He was the efficient House chairman of the important Committee on Labor and took an active part in many of the debates on important measures, and plainly showed he was the "right man in the right place." He is the Hartford County member of the Executive Committee of the Legislative Club of 1903, and gained many true friends at the Capitol.
Freeman A. Libby of Putnam is the son of Ansel J. and Sarah M. (Cobb) Libby, and was born in Dexter, Maine, January 3, 1859. He was educated in the Waterville (Maine) Classical Institute, supplemented by a medical course at Dartmouth Medical College; graduating from the latter in class of 1881. He lived in Maine until 1889, when he removed to Putnam. From 1881 to 1889 he successfully conducted a drug store and practiced medicine at North Vassalboro, Maine. The following three years he was proprietor of a drug store in Putnam, when he retired from business. He has been a director in, and president of the Putnam Light and Power Co. On June 1, 1882, he married Anna Bertha White, daughter of Joseph and Martha White. Mrs. Libby's father was at one time agent and manager of the Vassalboro (Maine) Woolen Mills. Two sons have come to brighten the home of Dr. and Mrs. Libby; Arthur F., born June 22, 1883, a graduate of the Putnam High School, class of 1901, and now a sophomore at Dartmouth College, and J. Ralph, born January 11, 1885, a graduate of the Putnam High School, class of 1903. Dr. Libby is a staunch Republican and in 1896 was a valuable member of the Republican Town Committee of Putnam. When twenty-eight years of age he was W. M. of Vassalboro Lodge, No. 54, F. and A. M. He had the honor of serving on two committees in the Legislature: Appropriations and Legislative Expenses, being chairman of the latter. He was one of the most faithful, active and wide-awake members of the House.
Nicholas Staub, of New Milford, has had the high honor to represent his town and district in the General Assembly six sessions. He was a member of the House in 1876, 1884, 1885 and 1903, and of the Senate in 1886 and 1888. He was also State Comptroller four years, 1891 to 1895, being the only Democrat elected on the State ticket. Mr. Staub was born in the Province of Lorraine, France, but now Germany, and is a model example of a self-made man. His father, Nicholas Staub, died when he was twelve years of age, and at fifteen he started for America, reaching New York, December 24, 1857. In the spring of 1860 he came to Connecticut, settling in Bridgewater, where at one time he served as selectman. He came to New Milford in 1873, and has since been one of the most popular and influential men of that town. On November 29, 1866, he married Nancy J. Peck, youngest daughter of John Peck. Three children have been born to them: Verton Peck, George Edwards, and John Howard. Mr. Staub is a prosperous farmer and a highly successful dealer in fancy seed-leaf tobacco. He was for several years president of the New Milford Agricultural Society. He is a prominent member of several secret societies, including the Masons, Odd Fellows, Elks, etc. He has been a faithful member of important committees every year he has been a member of the Legislature. This session he very acceptably served as chairman of the Committee on Manual and Roll, and as a member of the Committees on Banks and Congressional and Senatorial Districts. He has won the reputation of being a valuable and vigilant servant of the commonwealth, and has gained a large circle of strong friends and admirers all over the State. During his six terms as a legislator he never was absent during a session day.
JOHN LINES, Waterbury,
Chairman of the Committee on Manufactures.

John Lines, of Waterbury, is the son of Joseph W. and Lydia (Russell) Lines and was born in Naugatuck (now included in Waterbury) January 7, 1833. He spent his boyhood days in Waterbury, Farmington and New Jersey. He learned the machinist's trade at Bristol, and followed it at New Haven, and with the Wheeler & Wilson Manufacturing Co., Watertown. At the breaking out of the Civil War he enlisted in Company C, 14th C. V. I., and was detailed into the band for two years and ten months. In 1873 he superintended a contract of one year at Sing Sing, N. Y., and in 1881 spent a year in Cleveland, Ohio, in charge of another large contract. On his return in September, 1882, he accepted his present position as superintendent of the burner department connected with the Scovill Manufacturing Co., of Waterbury, which he has since creditably and faithfully filled. On April 13, 1857, he married Miss Sarah J. Neale, daughter of Jeremiah Neale of Plainville. They have a son, Clarence W., born in Sing Sing, N. Y., October 13, 1873. Mr. Lines is an enthusiastic Republican and a popular member of the G. A. R. and Improved Order of Red Men. He was the capable chairman of the important Committee on Manufactures.
EDWARD GRISWOLD, Guilford,
Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs.

Edward Griswold, of Guilford, is an honored native of that town, and was born June 30, 1839. He is the son of Joel and Polly Griswold and was educated in the public schools and the Guilford Institute. Mr. Griswold took an active part in many of the battles, etc., of the Civil War. He enlisted October 28, 1861, as a member of the First Light Battery, C. V., which formed a part of the Tenth Army Corps, serving a full three years, being mustered out October 26, 1864. Soon afterwards he opened a general store at Guilford in partnership with his brother, Charles. They continued in business three years, when Mr. Griswold purchased his brother's interest, and has since been successfully engaged in general merchandising; also in the canning business for several years. Mr. Griswold organized the Guilford Light Battery, and was Commander for six years. This Battery had the honor of serving in the Spanish-American war in 1898. He is a charter member of Parmelee Post, G. A. R., in which he creditably filled several offices; member of Poole Post, No. 17, G. A. R., of New Haven, and chief mustering officer on staff of Thomas Boudreau, department commander of Connecticut in 1901, and is now senior vice-commander of the department. He was one of the organizers of the Guilford Savings Bank, and was a trustee for several years. On May 16, 1868, he married Mrs. Anne E. (Parmalee) Dudley, daughter of Eli Parmalee, of Guilford. They had three children: Elizabeth Hart, born July 23, 1869, Edward Parmalee, born July 6, 1870, Nelson Hotchkiss, born January 12, 1872. His wife passed beyond, November 1, 1899. Mr. Griswold was one of the most prominent and active members of the House in 1882 and 1883, and the Constitutional Convention of 1902. This session he won renewed laurels as the popular and efficient chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs.
OMAR W. PLATT, Milford,
Chairman of the Committee on New Towns and Probate Districts.

Omar William Platt, of Milford, has had the honor of representing his native town in the Legislature for two consecutive terms, 1901 and 1903. He is the son of William and Almira (Hand) Platt, and was born January 30, 1874. He was graduated from Yale College, class of 1899, and Yale Law School, class of 1903. He was admitted to the New Haven County Bar in June, 1903. Mr. Platt is an influential Republican and has been prosecuting attorney of Milford since 1901. He is intensely interested in the welfare and prosperity of his town. He is a highly esteemed member of the Congregational Church, and is a Knight Templar. He gained an enviable reputation in the House of Representatives, serving as a member of the Committees on Judiciary and Judicial Nominations, and as chairman of the Committee on New Towns and Probate Districts. He took a prominent part in the debates and won the respect and admiration of all for his prompt, earnest, eloquent and determined manner. He richly deserves continued honors from the hands of his townsmen.
MICHAEL F. DOWNES, Wallingford, Chairman of the Committee on Railroads.

Michael Thomas Downes, of Wallingford, is the son of Michael and Mary (Moloney) Downes, and was born in Waterbury, May 10, 1875. At the age of two he removed with his parents to Wallingford, where he has since resided. He was graduated from Yale (Academic Department) in 1897, and from Yale Law School, class of '99. On June 27, 1899, he was admitted to the New Haven County Bar, and is now prosecuting attorney for Wallingford and prosecuting agent for New Haven County. He is a wide-awake and active Republican, and a highly respected member of the Holy Trinity Church of Wallingford. Although he was one of the youngest members of the House, the youngest from New Haven County, he plainly showed he was "the right man in the right place." He was the capable chairman of the leading Committee on Railroads and gained a record of which to feel proud for his faithful, upright and honorable bearings.
WALLACE DANN, Norwalk,
Chairman of the Committee on School Fund.

Wallace Dann, of Norwalk, has the honor to be the third generation on
the maternal side to serve in the General Assembly. His mother's uncle, Heath
Stevens, of Stamford, was a member for several terms, and his uncle, Hiram
Curtis, has also represented Stamford in the Legislature. Mr. Dann was born
in Stamford, January 12, 1847. He is son of William E. and Pauline (Curtis)
Dann and was educated at Professor Wicoff's Academy, New Canaan. On
September 1, 1869, he married Clarissa J. Dikeman, of Ridgefield. He was
in the livery and grocery business in New Canaan from 1868 to 1876, and has
been the successful president of the well-known Norwalk Brass Company
since 1901. He is also a prosperous dealer in horse goods and supplies. He
was deputy sheriff six years, 1875 to 1881, and in 1884 was again appointed
for another term of three years. He was captain and chief of police from
1892 to August 15, 1899, when he resigned. On January 5, 1903, he was
elected water commissioner of Norwalk for a term of three years. In politics
Mr. Dann is a Democrat, always taking an active interest in his party. He
is a highly respected vestryman of the St. Paul's Episcopal Church, member
of the Sons of the American Revolution, Norwalk Club, and Board of Trade of
Norwalk. He is one of the prominent Masons and Odd Fellows of the State,
creditably serving in 1882 as Eminent Commander of Clinton Commandery,
No. 3, K. T., and in 1884 as Most Excellent High Priest of Washington Chap-
ter, No. 24, R. A. M. He is also a member of Pyramid Temple of Bridgeport,
and is Past Noble Grand and Past Grand Officer of the Grand Lodge of Odd
Fellows. Mr. Dann has filled all his positions of trust and responsibility in a
faithful and judicious manner, and well merits continued honors from the
hands of his townsmen. He was chairman of the Committee on School Funds
and a member of the Committee on Contested Elections, and gained many
strong friends among the solons at the Capitol. He was also the leader, on
the floor of the House, in the important matter of the division of the town of
Norwalk, and won out in a very creditable manner.

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THOMAS A. EVANS, Bethel,
Chairman of the Committee on State Prison.

Thomas A. Evans, of Bethel, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of John J. and Eliza J. (McCorkell) Evans and was born March 23, 1859. He was educated in the public schools of Bethel and then learned the trade of hatter with Cole & Ambler. He has since successfully followed the hat business and is now the popular and efficient foreman at the hat factory of Judd, Dunning & Co. On October 30, 1883, he married Bena Rodemeyer, daughter of John Rodemeyer of North Canaan. One child, a daughter, Ida M., born June 18, 1886, has come to brighten their home. Mr. Evans is a staunch Republican and a highly respected member of the Congregational Church, where he has for several years been a popular member of the church choir. He is also an influential member of Knights of Honor, Lodge No. 3159, of which he is past dictator, and Maccabees Lodge, Putnam Tent, No. 35, of which he is Commander. He very acceptably served as chairman of the Committee on State Prison, and won many strong friends at the Capitol.
George I. Abbott, of Ridgefield, is the son of George and Fanny S., daughter of Stebbins Adams, of South Salem, N. Y., and was born in Irvington, November 13, 1858. He comes from one of the oldest and most highly respected families of Ridgefield. His grandfather, Samuel Abbott, and his father were both natives of that town. He received his education in the district school and Brown's private school at Cannon Station. At the age of eighteen he entered his father's boot and shoe store and bakery to learn the business. He succeeded his father in the bakery business, which he successfully continued for four years, when he conducted a bakery in Brooklyn, N. Y., for three years. The year following he was employed as clerk for Smith, Gray & Co., clothiers, Brooklyn, and then returned to Ridgefield, where he started the present large and prosperous flour, feed and grain business. On February 14, 1887, he married Miss Katherine W., daughter of John Barry of New York City. Three children have come to brighten their home: Robert Oakley, born March 12, 1888, Louis Arnold, born November 13, 1890, and Katherine Muriel, born October 18, 1895. Mr. Abbott is an active participant in every interest that pertains to the welfare of his community. He was the efficient clerk of the House Committees on Constitutional Amendments and on Military Affairs. He enjoys the confidence and respect of all who know him.
WILLIAM C. BACKUS,
Windham.

William C. Backus of South Windham (Windham) is an honored native of that place and was born June 15, 1854. He is the son of Luther F. and Ellen (Canniff) Backus and received his education in the public schools of the town. On November 15, 1877, he married Miss Hattie A. Hatch, daughter of Samuel O. Hatch of Lebanon. Mr. Backus has been station agent at South Windham for the past twenty-eight years, which speaks volumes as to his popularity, faithfulness and efficiency. He is a staunch Democrat and the best interests of his native town have always been foremost in his mind. He has won for himself the confidence of all with whom he has been brought into contact, whether in political, social or commercial relationship. He was a highly respected member of the leading Committee on Insurance and during the session was elected a county auditor.
Charles E. Bacon, of Middletown, is an honored native of the town he represents in the Legislature. He is the son of Charles and Harriett N. Bacon and was born February 4, 1851. In 1867 he was the only boy to graduate from the first class of the Middletown High school and in 1876 he was graduated from the Sheffield Scientific Department at Yale. He was for several years a successful school teacher, but is now a prosperous farmer, being owner of the Poplar Corner Dairy Farm. On November 14, 1877, he married Georgiana T., daughter of Leverett Maraden and Lydia M. (Thayer) Leach. Two children have come to brighten their home: Grace E., born April 11, 1879, a graduate of Northfield Seminary and Mount Holyoke College, and C. Maraden, born February 22, 1881, a graduate of the Wesleyan Academy. Mr. Bacon is an active Republican and has creditably served on the Board of School Visitors twelve years and has been Town and City Assessor for three years. He has for thirteen years been secretary of the Patrons Mutual Fire Insurance Co. and for nine years secretary of Central Pomona Grange, No. 1. He is also a member of Mattabesett Grange, No. 42, member of Apollo Lodge, No. 32, K. of P., and E. L. K. of Middletown Lodge of Elks, No. 771. In the present Legislature, Mr. Bacon very acceptably served on the Committee on Public Health and Safety and on the Special Committee on Reception to Senator O. H. Platt. Mr. Bacon is an influential and worthy citizen in Middlesex County. He is a man of the strictest integrity and enjoys the confidence and respect of all who know him.
DAVIS A. BAKER, 
Ashford.

Davis A. Baker, of Ashford, is a native of the town he now has the honor of representing in the General Assembly for the fourth time. He was a valuable member of the House in 1887, 1877 and 1887. This session he creditably served on two leading committees—Incorporations and House Committee on Constitutional Amendments. Mr. Baker was born October 28, 1834, and has always resided in his native town. He is a son of Enoch E. and Mary E. (Webster) Baker, one of a family of seven children. He was educated in the common schools of his town, the Ashford Academy and the New Britain Normal School. He followed teaching winters and working at carpentering summers for many years. On April 1, 1883, he opened a general store in Warrenville, which he has since successfully conducted. Mr. Baker has long been prominent in the social, political and educational affairs of the town. He has been a School Visitor for seventeen years, Selectman five years, Constable and Collector two years, Justice of the Peace twelve years, Judge of Probate sixteen years and Town Clerk and Treasurer thirty-one years; the latter position he still holds. He has also been a County Commissioner for four years, a trustee of the Connecticut School for Boys and for several years a director of the Stafford Savings Bank. He has always been an active Democrat, having voted at every electors' meeting since 1856. He was postmaster at Warrenville under Cleveland's administration (1885-89). On March 15, 1886, he married Eliza H. Walbridge, of Ashford. They have two children living: Oscar D., born January 26, 1867; Louis A., born June 15, 1869. Mr. Baker has always taken a deep interest in the welfare of his native town and is universally beloved and respected for his sterling qualities. His private and public career has secured for him an exceptional reputation for business ability and sagacity, while his methods have always indicated the keenest sense of integrity and honor.
Frank Harding Baker, of Stafford (Stafford Springs), is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of Gilbert Huntington and Clara (Kingsley) Baker, and was born July 17, 1857. He received his education in the public schools of his native town and at the Monson Academy, Monson, Mass. At the age of twenty-one he took charge of his father's furniture and house furnishing business and in 1887 in connection with his brother, Leonard B. Baker, purchased the business. He is now managing partner of the firm of G. H. Baker & Co., wholesale and retail dealers in furniture and house furnishing goods, Stafford Springs and Springfield, Mass.; also of the Stafford Floral Co., carnation growers, and a member of The Baker Company, Springfield, Mass., manufacturers of paper machine aprons. Mr. Baker is a staunch Republican and a highly respected member of the Congregational Church, Ionic Lodge, F. and A. M., Knights Maccabee and the Woodmen of America. Mr. Baker pays strict attention to his various enterprises, which has prevented him from accepting many public offices. He is intensely interested in the welfare and prosperity of his native town. He was a valuable member of the leading Committee on Incorporations and gained many strong friends at the Capitol.
Henry L. Beach, of Bristol, is the son of Hammond R. and Sarah (Buckingham) Beach, of Milford, and was born in that town on June 11, 1839. He is a descendant of one of the early settlers of that ancient town and his family were among the most prominent of the families of that section. He attended the public schools of Milford and was prepared for admission to Yale College, which he entered in the class of 1861. He remained in college only two years, being obliged to leave on account of ill health in 1859, and soon afterwards left for the West, where he spent one year. Later he spent some time in New York, and during the years 1860 and 1861 he taught school in Milford. Going to Bristol in 1862, Mr. Beach entered the employment of his brother-in-law, the late Edward Ingraham, and was the superintendent of the big plant of the E. Ingraham Clock Company in Bristol from 1862 to 1894. Under his management the company made great strides towards the pronounced success it afterwards attained, and his work there was of the highest order. He had the undivided esteem and co-operation of both the owners and employees during that long period. Since that time Mr. Beach has been retired and has not entered into any business, but was elected Town Clerk in 1896. He held this office with great success for two years and his work was greatly appreciated. He has always taken a deep interest in school matters and for some time has been chairman of the School Committee in District No. 1, which is one of the largest and most important in town. In the Legislature of 1903 he served as a member of the Committee on Congressional and Senatorial Districts. He is also a trustee of the Bristol Savings Bank, one of the large financial institutions of the State. Mr. Beach was married on January 27, 1866, to Marion Stevens, a member of an old Bristol family. She died May 15, 1902. The children of Mr. Beach are as follows: Dr. Louis L. Beach, a dentist; Mrs. Phillip H. Stevens, wife of a well known Hartford jeweler; Dr. A. G. Beach, also a dentist in Bristol, and Mrs. Albert L. Sessions, wife of a leading manufacturer of Bristol. Mr. Beach is a member of Pequabuck Chapter, R. A. M., Franklin Lodge, A. F. and A. M., and of the Congregational Church.
Oscar L. Beardsley of Shelton (Huntington) is the son of Eli D. and Caroline A. (Blackman) Beardsley, and was born in New Milford, January 13, 1843. He was educated in the public schools of Monroe, and in the Eastman Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. On August 25, 1870, he married Miss Fannie C. Peck, daughter of Norman S. Peck of Monroe. Six children have blessed the union: Iverna N., born February 18, 1878; Louis P., born July 19, 1879; Eli M., born April 15, 1882 (who died in infancy); Wm. H. H., born December 28, 1883, Robert M., born October 25, 1887. The oldest child died in infancy. Mr. Beardsley is a successful carpenter and joiner and has creditably filled several public offices. He is a staunch Democrat, and was a member of the House in 1886. For several years he has been treasurer of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Shelton, is a director of the Y. M. C. A. and Plumb Memorial Library, P. G. of Ousatonic Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Derby, and Noble Commander of Indian Well Commandery, No. 312, U. O. G. C. He has resided one year in New Milford, fifteen years in Monroe and fifteen years in Bridgeport, coming to Shelton in 1881. Mr. Beardsley was a member of the House Committee on Contingent Expenses and gained a large circle of friends at the Capitol.
HOMER S. BEERS, of Westport.

Homer S. Beers, of Westport, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of Edwin R. and Mary E. (Merwin) Beers, and was born April 22, 1868. This branch of the family settled in this country in 1660. Mr. Beers received his education in the public schools of Westport. On September 4, 1889, he married Avis M., daughter of Arlin O. Hoskins of Albany, N. Y. Four children have blessed the union: Ethel M., born July 12, 1890, Harold S., born March 31, 1893, H. Carleton, born January 26, 1896, and Kenneth T., born November 2, 1897. In September, 1885, he engaged in the grocery and meat business, and on March 4, 1892, entered into partnership with his brothers, Edwin A. and Rollie O., under firm name of Beers Brothers. By honest dealings and strict attention to business they have built up a large and ever increasing business. Mr. Beers has been a steward of the Methodist Church of Westport for the past ten years, is Past Chancellor of the K. of P., and a popular member of the Sons of Temperance, and the Westport Grange. He is an active Democrat and was one of the most popular members of the House.
FRANK A. BENEDICT,  
Seymour.

Dr. Frank Allen Benedict, of Seymour, is the son of Andrew L. and Ruth N. (Allen) Benedict and was born in Bethel, August 12, 1861. He received his education in the public schools of Bethel, Danbury High School, Williston Seminary, Easthampton, Mass.; Sheffield Scientific School (Yale) and the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York. He has resided in Seymour since 1892, and has successfully practiced medicine and surgery since. On October 5, 1892, he married Jennie L. Bassett, daughter of Edward F. Bassett, of Seymour. She died August 23, 1900. Three children were born to them: Edward Linsley, born August 18, 1893, died November 25, 1900, Paul A., born October 21, 1894, Marguerite, born December 2, 1895. Dr. Benedict is town health officer, assistant chief of the fire department, and is a member of the Citizens' Fire Engine Company. He has been Quartermaster-Sergeant Fourth Regiment, C. N. G., Surgeon Second Company Governor's Horse Guards and a member of the Hospital Corps of the Second Regiment, C. N. G. He is also a member of the I. O. O. F., R. A. M., N. E. O. P., M. W. of A. and F. of A. He is a staunch Republican and was an influential member of two committees: Fisheries and Game and Putnam Memorial Camp. He has filled all his positions of trust and responsibility in a faithful and judicious manner and richly merits renewed honors from the hands of his townsmen.
Noble Bennitt, of New Milford, always has been a resident of the town he has had the honor to represent in the General Assembly for two sessions. He was a popular member of the House in 1899 and 1903. He is the son of Stanley Griswold and Clarissa (Morehouse) Bennitt and was born November 1, 1842. Both of his parents passed to the Great Beyond in his infancy, leaving him in the care of his uncle and aunt, Noble S. and Sarah M. (Morehouse) Bennitt, whose loving kindness and Christian influence did much to shape his career as an upright and prosperous business man. He was educated in the district school and spent his boyhood days on a farm. At the age of sixteen he entered his uncle's store in New Milford, as clerk. Three years later he purchased the business, which he successfully conducted for several years. In 1869, at twenty-eight years of age he began to lay the foundation of his present large business by starting a retail grain business. Seventeen years later F. W. Robinson became his partner and under firm name of Bennitt & Robinson the retail business was continued, and an extensive wholesale business was established throughout the Eastern States. In 1892, Mr. Bennitt acquired his partner's interest, and has since ably conducted the entire business alone. He has gained a flattering reputation for being "fair and square."
and for the wonderful promptness with which he delivers his immense sales, amounting to half a million yearly. In order to successfully conduct his mammoth trade he is obliged to handle the output of ten feed mills in as many different towns and often is forced to start others at short notice, with much profit to all concerned. Mr. Bennitt has gained a fortune in real estate. He has recently erected a fine group of business blocks in New Milford, to take the place of those destroyed by fire. Their total value is about $100,000, and the gross income in the way of rent is over $10,000 a year. Through the excellent example set by Mr. Bennitt the handsome new buildings on Bank Street were built of brick. In May, 1898, Mr. Bennitt introduced in New Milford the first acetylene gas plant in use in the United States, and it is in successful operation in many of the large buildings in the town, aside from stores and houses. On May 15, 1857, Mr. Bennitt married Martha, daughter of Henry W. Booth, a highly respected citizen of New Milford, who ascended above February 10, 1901. They had one son, Howard, born November 22, 1876, and who died three days later. Mr. Bennitt is an enthusiastic Democrat and has been the wide-awake chairman of its Town Committee since 1900. He is a director of the New Milford Agricultural Fair Association. Through his ancestors he is eligible to join the society of the Colonial Wars, also the Sons of the Revolution.

Three of his great-great-grandfathers, Captain Joseph Canfield, Captain Benjamin Stone, and Private Silas Hill, were soldiers in the Colonial Wars. And a fourth, Captain Isaac Bostwick, was all through the American Revolution, his company being pensioned by special act of Congress in 1818, because they were with George Washington on the night he crossed the Delaware, Dec. 25, 1776. So his claim is well established to blue American blood, descending from such Colonial and Revolutionary stock.

Mr. Bennitt is a prominent member of St. John's Episcopal Church and holds the office of vestrymen. He is also a member of the Masonic order. While he gives largely to churches and charitable societies all is done without ostentation and a hand is always given to friends in need. He is a model example of the great success a person can attain to by an early training in industry, integrity and practical knowledge.

Mr. Bennitt gained a large circle of close friends at the Capitol, who admired him for his upright and genial qualities. He had the honor of serving on the Committee on Reception to Senator Platt, having charge of the arrangements for transportation.
Wareham Williams Bentley, of Bozrah, was born in the town of North Stonington, March 24, 1861. He is the son of John Stanton Bentley and Mary Ellen Davis. His paternal grandmother was the daughter of Wareham Williams, a Revolutionary soldier and a noted teacher of his day. His maternal grandmother was a Perkins, a direct descendant of the Perkins who won imperishable glory in that memorable battle on Groton Heights. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, where he followed the occupation of a farmer until 1886, when he removed to Bozrah, where he has since been successfully engaged in the meat business. In politics he comes of Democratic stock, his father having three times, in 1879, 1880 and 1883, represented the rock-ribbed Republican town of North Stonington in the Legislature. Mr. Bentley has held the offices of school visitor and selectman, and has been town clerk since 1894, receiving increasing majorities at every election. As a candidate for representative he has the proud distinction of polling the largest majority ever cast in the town of Bozrah. This is his first legislative experience.

On April 18, 1889, Mr. Bentley was married to Mary Rosabel Miller, daughter of Oliver S. and Almira (Eccleston) Miller, of North Stonington. The fruits of this union are as follows: Charles Nathan, born February 24, 1890, Edna Allifair, born May 7, 1891, Harold Williams, born March 26, 1893, Ellis Leonard, born May 13, 1894, Roscoe Lamont, born Dec. 4, 1895, Alvin, born January 15, 1900, died January 29, 1900.
Amatus Robbins Bigelow, of Colchester (Westchester), has the honor of being a native of the town he represents in the General Assembly. He is the son of David S. and Abby M. (Usher) Bigelow, and was born September 18, 1853. He was educated in the public schools of his native town and at the Glastonbury Academy. His father was graduated from Yale College in 1852, and the son (Amatus R.) was the "class baby," receiving the silver cup. On June 7, 1877, Mr. Bigelow married Lina Cone Brown, daughter of Deacon Samuel and Elizabeth (Southmayed) Brown. They have two children: Abby Elizabeth, born March 2, 1879, and Ruth Lina, born August 9, 1891. A son died in infancy. Mr. Bigelow cultivates a small farm, and is engaged in mechanical pursuits. He is a staunch Republican, a deacon of the Congregational Church of Westchester for twelve years, and a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen. He has always taken a deep interest in the welfare of his town and has creditably held several town offices, including that of assessor, grand juror, constable and for fourteen years has been a notary public. He was a valuable member of the Committee on Insurance and was highly respected by all at the Capitol. His public services have always been very satisfactory to his constituents.
NAPOLEON P. BISSONNETTE,
Bridgeport.

Napoleon P. Bissonnette, of Bridgeport, is the son of John L. and Theresa (Murray) Bissonnette, and was born at Lange Gardien, Province of Quebec, December 15, 1868. At the age of nine he removed to Springfield, Mass., and has resided in Bridgeport since May, 1889. He received his education at home and is a model example of a self-made man. On May 29, 1893, he married Louise Blanchette, daughter of John Blanchette, of Marlboro, Mass. Mr. Bissonnette is a successful carpenter and was business agent of Local 115, Carpenters and Joiners' Union of Bridgeport, for two years. He is a wide-awake Democrat, a trustee of the Roman Catholic Church, Past Chief Ranger, Foresters of America, Consul of Harmony Camp, Modern Woodmen of America, and President of the Bridgeport Co-operative Association. He has always taken a deep and active interest in labor unions and has worked unceasingly for measures tending to improve the condition of the working people. He was clerk of two legislative committees—Constitutional Amendments (Joint) and Woman Suffrage, and took part in the debates on many important measures.
Austin Beers Blakeman, of Newtown, is the son of Charles E. and Mary J. (Beers) Blakeman, and was born in Newtown, January 3, 1858. He was educated in the public schools of Newtown and until 24 years of age followed farming as a vocation, with the exception of teaching school for one year in his native town. In December, 1881, he was employed as clerk in the general store of Daniel H. Botsford, at Botsford, located in the southern part of Newtown, and in October, 1884, he purchased the business of Mr. Botsford, which he has conducted ever since. On September 23, 1883, he was appointed postmaster at Botsford by Postmaster-General Walter Q. Gresham, and his commission has remained in force up to and including the present time. He was station agent at Botsford for ten years for the Housatonic Railroad Company. He has continuously been elected Justice of the Peace for a number of years and has served on the Board of Assessors in his town. On October 20, 1887, Mr. Blakeman married Ada, daughter of Alexander and Adella Parker MacGregor, of Bridgeport. They have one daughter, Helen M., who was born December 18, 1889. Mr. Blakeman is a member of Hiram Lodge, No. 18, A. F. and A. M., and a member and treasurer of Hiram Chapter, R. A. M., No. 1, of Newtown. He and his family are also members of Trinity Church, Newtown.
FRANK E. BLAKEMAN.
Stratford.

Frank E. Blakeman, of Stratford, son of Gould and Harriet (Birdseye) Blakeman, was born in Oronoque, December 31, 1857, receiving his education in the common school of that place and at Strong's Commercial and Military Institute at Bridgeport. From 1880 to 1885 he served in Co. K, Fourth Regiment, C. N. G. He married Miss Nellie E. Beard, daughter of William T. and Maria (Shelton) Beard, of Huntington, on November 13, 1884, and has been engaged in farming in his native town during his whole life. Mr. Blakeman comes of a family which has long and honorably served the state in public capacities, his father having been twice Representative, two of his brothers and three brothers-in-law having filled the same office, and has himself satisfactorily performed his duties as a member of the State Board of Agriculture, of the Peach Yellows Commission, and as Trustee of the Connecticut Agricultural College. He has been on the Library Board and the Board of Education in Stratford for several years. In politics Mr. Blakeman is consistently Republican. He is a member of the Congregational Church at Stratford and a Past Master of Housatonic Grange and of Fairfield County Pomona Grange. During the session he was Clerk of the Committee on Agriculture, and was prominently identified with the organization of the Farmers' Association, of which he is Secretary.
Thomas Bowen, of Naugatuck, is the son of Thomas and Jane Bowen, and was born in Llanelly, Wales, June 24, 1874. He came to this country in 1881, locating at Ansonia, where he lived until 1899. He was graduated from Yale College, Sheffield Scientific School, '96, and Law School, '99. He was admitted to the New Haven County bar June 8, 1898, and has since successfully practiced law in Naugatuck. He is a highly respected member of the Episcopal Church, a popular member of Shepard Lodge, No. 78, A. F. and A. M., and is Past Grand of Centennial Lodge, No. 100, I. O. O. F. Mr. Bowen was one of the youngest members of the House. He was a faithful and valuable member of the leading Committee on Judiciary and clerk of the Committee on Contested Elections. He is a staunch Republican, and although a young man, has become prominently identified with the progress and development of his town and associated with its interests most materially. He richly merits continued honors.
Charles H. Botsford, of Bridgeport, is the son of Sherman Botsford and Cornelia A. (Wakeley) Botsford, and was born in Monroe, November 28, 1852. At an early age he removed to Newtown, where his father had built a home. It was there that the subject of this sketch grew to manhood. He attended the public schools and later studied under Chauncey McCarthy, a well known educator, in the meantime learning the carpenter trade with his father. Under Mr. McCarthy he prepared himself for the profession of a teacher, and taught for two years, but not caring for teaching, he again engaged in carpenter work with his father, and has since successfully followed that line of business. He removed to Bridgeport in 1883, being employed by the Savage & Smith Building Company for five years. He was also a stockholder in this company. He then embarked in business for himself as a contractor and builder, and has established a large and increasing business. He is President of the Master Carpenters' Association of Bridgeport, a member of Builders' Exchange, Bridgeport Club, the Democratic Association, and is a member of the Masonic Fraternity, Red Men and Elks. He has always been a Democrat and was one of the most successful Chairmen the Democratic Town Committee ever had. On December 25, 1877, he married Clare B. Warner, who died February 12, 1891, leaving two children—Frederick W., born March 3, 1879, and Jessie Ruth, born January 8, 1889. Mr. Botsford was a faithful member of the House Committee on Constitutional Amendments. Of the many bills introduced by Mr. Botsford were: House bill, No. 339 and substitute relating to combinations in restraint of trade; also House Joint Resolution No. 298 changing the charter of City of Bridgeport, relating to free text books and supplies. Mr. Botsford is unusually popular at home and won many strong friends at the Capitol.
George H. Bradford, of Montville, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of S. Dennison and Ardella A. (Hyde) Bradford, and was born May 6, 1868. He married Anna Alma Baker, daughter of Henry A. Baker, of Montville. They have been blessed with one daughter, Jessie Arlene. Mrs. Bradford's father was the author of the valuable "History of Montville," and for a quarter of a century was Judge of Probate and Town Clerk of Montville; also postmaster at Oakdale for many years. Mr. Bradford has since January 1, 1900, conducted a grocery store, having by fair and square dealings built up a large and ever-increasing trade. He is now postmaster at Oakdale. He is a staunch Republican and was a doorkeeper in the House of Representatives in 1899. He is also an influential member of Oxoboxo Lodge, F. and A. M., Thames Lodge, I. O. O. F., and Uncas Lodge, A. O. U. W. He faithfully served on the important Committee on Roads, Bridges and Rivers and won many strong friends at the Capitol because of his rare good qualities and genial deportment.
Lee L. Brockway, of Lyme (Hadlyme), is a native of the town he has
the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of Charles
Harlum and Amira F. (Luther) Brockway, and was born October 27, 1852.
He received his education in the common school of Hadlyme. On November
28, 1872, he married Isabell A. Phelps, daughter of George N. and Abby E.
(Warner) Phelps, of Lyme (Hadlyme). Two children have blessed the union
—George Lee, born November 10, 1875, and Carrie, wife of William Haw-
thorne, born September 13, 1877, and was married September 14, 1895. Mr.
Brockway is successfully engaged in farming and the mercantile business.
He has very acceptably filled several town offices, including that of Selectman,
Justice of Peace, Board of Relief, Tax Collector and Postmaster. He is a
staunch Republican, a highly esteemed member of the Baptist Church and of
Pythagoras Lodge, No. 45, F. and A. M. He is an active participant in
every interest that pertains to the welfare of his community and is unusually
popular.
Calvin Duane Bromley, of Lisbon, youngest son of Charles J. and Sarah (Thompson) Bromley, was born at Lisbon, May 7, 1870, and was educated in the common schools of his native town and at the Moody School for Boys at Mount Hermon, Mass. In 1889, Mr. Bromley began teaching and has since followed that profession. On December 20, 1893, he married Miss Dora B. Phillips, of Lisbon, and they have three children: Mildred Irene, born October 31, 1894; Calvin Duane, Jr., born April 22, 1896, and Theodore Phillips, born November 3, 1898. In politics Mr. Bromley is a Democrat, as were his ancestors before him. His father represented his native town (Lisbon) in the Legislature of 1880. In the Legislatures of 1891 and 1893 Lisbon was represented by John G. Bromley, who was one of the youngest members of the House, and is a brother of Mr. Bromley. Mr. Bromley is an active member of the Congregational Church and has been Sunday-school superintendent for fifteen years and holds the position of church and society clerk and treasurer. In 1897, Mr. Bromley was elected Town Clerk and Treasurer by both parties, which office he has held since. Mr. Bromley was elected Delegate to the Constitutional Convention of 1902, and in November, 1902, was elected Representative in a decidedly Republican town by the largest majority ever given a candidate since the town has existed.
David A. Brown, of Tolland, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the Legislature. He is the son of Smith H. and Maria M. Brown, and was born September 7, 1862. He taught in the district schools of his and adjoining towns for several winter terms, working on his father's farm during the summer. On March 24, 1886, he married Miss Ida A. Webster, daughter of Gardner and Martha Webster, of Tolland. They have four children. Mr. Brown is a successful farmer and owns the farm formerly owned by Joshua Griggs, pleasantly situated on Tolland street. He has always lived in his native town, with the exception of three years, when he resided on a farm in the town of Berlin. He has always taken an active interest in the affairs of his town and in 1893 was elected First Selectman. He has held the offices of Justice of Peace, Assessor, Board of Relief and School Visitor, and for ten years has been Acting School Visitor. He is the treasurer of Tolland Grange and is highly respected for his sterling qualities by a number of friends.
SCOVILL M. BUCKINGHAM,
Watertown.

Scovill McLean Buckingham, of Watertown, is the son of John A. and Anne (McLean) Buckingham, and was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., October 3, 1876, and came to Watertown to reside in June, 1892. He was graduated from Yale, class '99, from Harvard Law School, class '02, and in December, 1902, was admitted to the bar of Litchfield County. He is a staunch Republican, a highly respected vestryman of Christ Church, and a member of Federal Lodge, No. 17, F. and A. M., and Columbia Lodge, K. of P. He very acceptably served as a member of the important Committee on Cities and Boroughs and gained many close friends at the Capitol.
Edgar Dwight Bunnell, of Hartland, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the Legislature, and was born May 26, 1866. He is the son of Solomon and Edith E. (Banning) Bunnell, and was educated in the public schools of Hartland, supplemented by a course at a select school in Granville, Mass. At the age of sixteen he was employed on the farm of Deacon W. H. Spellman, East Granville, Mass., where he was engaged for ten years, the last two and one-half years being in partnership with Deacon Spellman. He then returned to East Hartland and has since successfully conducted the largest teaming and grain business in that section. He also ran the mail stage from Hartland to Granby three and one-half years. On March 29, 1892, he married Louise D., daughter of Bainbridge B. Case, of Hartland. Two children have come to brighten their home—Leona Elmina, born March 6, 1894, and Hazel Edith, born July 31, 1897. Mr. Bunnell has always taken a deep interest in the welfare of his native town and has been the popular and capable Chairman of the School Board since 1901 and the wide-awake Collector of Taxes the past five years. He faithfully served on the Committee on Judicial Nominations.
Owen E. Case, of Barkhamsted, has had the honor of representing his town in the General Assembly for two sessions, 1877 and 1903. He is the son of Owen and Laura (Munson) Case and was born in Barkhamsted January 18, 1849. His parents are also natives of that town and for about a century the Case family have been the most prominent and influential residents of Barkhamsted. Mr. Case was educated in the public schools of his native town and in a commercial college at New Haven. He has for several years been successfully engaged in farming and tobacco packing. On April 5, 1871, he married Ada Belle Lee, of North Canton. Two children have blessed the union—Luther M. and Clara Belle. Mr. Case is an enthusiastic Republican and is a highly respected member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen and of the New England Order of Protection. He has always taken a deep interest in the welfare of his town and has creditably filled several town offices, including Town Clerk, Registrar of Voters, School Visitor and Board of Relief. He has been Chairman of the latter for ten years. He was a valuable member of the Important Committee on Education and took an active interest in the Farmers' Association, being a member of the Advisory Committee of the association. He was universally respected by all at the Capitol.
Minotte Estes Chatfield, of New Haven, is the son of George W. and Cornelie (Ford) Chatfield, and was born in Centerville, town of Hamden, March 13, 1859. He is a representative of one of the old colonial families of Connecticut and a descendant in the eighth generation from George Chatfield, who came from England to Guilford in 1639, accompanied by his two brothers, Francis and Thomas, in the party led by Rev. Mr. Whitfield. Mr. Chatfield was educated in the public schools and the Hopkins Grammar School of New Haven. At the age of sixteen he entered the New Haven postoffice as clerk, where he was engaged until 1882, when he entered a large paper and hardware establishment, continuing his services for seven years. On July 1, 1889, he purchased the paper and twine departments of the business and for six years was proprietor of the Chatfield Paper Company. The company was incorporated in 1895 and does an extensive paper and twine business. Mr. Chatfield is president and treasurer of the corporation. He is also president and leading stockholder of the New Haven Pulp Board Co., stockholder and director of the Evening Leader Co., publishers of the Evening Leader, one of the leading papers of the State, and a director in several other enterprises. He has for many years been prominently identified in local affairs, having served as Councilman, Alderman, Trustee of Town Farm and Director of the Public Library. He has been especially active as a member and officer of the Young Men's Republican Club. He is an enthusiastic Republican, a highly respected member of the Methodist Church and Hiram Lodge, No. 1, F. and A. M., and of Second Co., Governor's Foot Guards. On September 29, 1880, Mr. Chatfield married Stella Stowe Russell, daughter of Edwin Russell, of New Haven. Three children have come to brighten their home—Russell Estes, born June 11, 1884; Sterling Russell, born September 14, 1891, and Helen Russell, born August 27, 1893. Mr. Chatfield was one of the most influential members of the Legislature. He took an active part in the proceedings of the House and faithfully served on two important committees, Cities and Boroughs and Constitutional Amendments (House).
Noyes Dwight Clark, the only child of Dwight N. and Althea (Bradley) Clark, was born in Woodbridge, April 2, 1869. He distinguished himself in the Scientific Department at Yale, graduating in 1891, and in 1894 took the degree of C. E. During 1896 and 1897 he was successfully engaged in the New Haven City Engineer's office. His father was a prominent member of the Legislature during 1859 and 1860, and is widely and favorably known as a dealer in choice cattle. Mr. Clark has the honor of being the first Republican in his town to be nominated and elected Representative by both parties. He is a staunch Republican, but represents a strongly Democratic town. He was the efficient clerk of the Committee on Education and gained a large circle of friends at the Capitol, who highly esteem him for his sterling qualities. He richly merits continued honors from the hands of his townsmen.
George Wheaton Cochrane, of Cornwall, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of James A. and Harriet (Wheaton) Cochrane, and was born May 3, 1875. He received his education in the High School of Cornwall and the D. M. Hunt School at Fall Village. Mr. Cochrane is a member of the popular and progressive firm of J. A. Cochrane & Son, dealers in general merchandise. He is a staunch Democrat and has been the Tax Collector of his town since 1898. He is a highly esteemed member of the Second Congregational Church, secretary of Blazing Star Lodge, No. 74, F. and A. M., and a director of the Cornwall Masonic Hall Association. He has won a large circle of strong friends at home and at the Capitol.
John Howell Conklin, of Chatham, is the son of Augustus Harvey and Louise Elizabeth (Pratt) Conklin, and was born in East Hampton, September 10, 1875. He is a descendant of John Conklin, of Holland, who landed in Huntington, L. I., in the sixteenth century. His mother was a descendant of Lieutenant William Pratt, of England, supposed to have come with Rev. Thomas Hooker to Newtown (now Cambridge, Mass.) in 1633, and from thence to Hartford in June, 1636. Mr. Conklin received his education in the public schools of Chatham, Betts Academy, Stamford, and Packard's Business College, New York. For the past three years he has been bookkeeper and type-writer for the well known firm, The Gong Bell Mfg. Co., of East Hampton, of which his father is secretary and treasurer. Mr. Conklin is also a director of the company and is a well known journalist, being local correspondent for the Hartford Courant, the Penny Press, Middletown, and the Associated Press. He also represented the Penny Press at the Capitol during the present session of the Legislature. He is a staunch Republican and takes a deep interest in the upbuilding of his town. He is a member of Anchor Lodge, No. 112, A. F. and A. M., and served two years (1899-1900) as Junior Warden. He is also president of the Chatham Club, East Hampton. Mr. Conklin had the honor of being the youngest member of the House from Middlesex county. He was a faithful member of the leading Committee on Incorporations and the efficient clerk of the Committee on New Towns and Probate Districts, as well as clerk of the Middlesex County members' meetings. He richly merits continued honors from the hands of his townsmen.
Dr. Harvey H. Converse, of Eastford, is the son of Henry and Sarah (Anderson) Converse, and was born in Brimfield, Mass., December 19, 1847. Dr. Converse has the distinction of being one of the youngest soldiers in the Civil War. After receiving a partial education in the district school and the Southbridge (Mass.) Grammar School, he enlisted in June, 1862, at the age of sixteen, in the Twenty-seventh Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteers. He bravely served in several battles for three years. On June 5, 1864, he was shot in the leg on the battlefield at Arrowsfield Church, Va., and for several weeks he was near death's door, owing to gangrene in the wound. He was about to resume duty with his regiment when he was made a prisoner of war, being confined in Libby prison until the close of the war. In 1865 he began to complete his education, entering the High School at Providence, graduating in 1878 from the Eclectic Medical College, Philadelphia, and has since then been in active practice. He first located as a physician at Stark, Maine, where he practiced for six years; then was at Hampton six years, coming from there to Eastford in 1890, where he has since successfully practiced. Dr. Converse had the honor of serving for six years as a State Examiner in behalf of his alma mater. He has been a valuable member of the Board of Education for several years, is a member of T. G. Brown Post, G. A. R., chaplain, Franklin Lodge, F. and A. M., New Sharon, Maine, and Natchaug Lodge, K. of P., Willimantic. He was a popular member of the Committee on Public Health and Safety and won many kind friends at the Capitol.
Marcus A. Covell, of Thompson, has the honor of representing his town in the General Assembly for two consecutive terms, 1891 and 1893, which speaks plainer than words as to popularity and efficiency. He is the son of Alba-jence E. and Mahala (Chase) Covell and was born in Putnam, November 18, 1863. He was educated in the district schools of Pomfret and the Putnam High School. On August 1, 1882, he entered the grain and feed business at North Grosvenordale, which he has since successfully conducted. On August 5, 1885, he married Minnie H. Chandler. Five children have blessed the union—Minnie May, born May 28, 1886; Jennie June, born June 24, 1888; Lois Elliott, born April 9, 1890; Marcus Earl, born June 26, 1892; Lois Elliott, born February 12, 1902. Mr. Covell is an enthusiastic Republican and has been a wide-awake member of the Republican Town Committee for several years and a Registrar of Voters. He was the efficient Census Enumerator for the Second District in 1900. He is a member of the Methodist Church of North Grosvenordale and one of its Board of Trustees. He is a highly respected "granger," being a member of Quintesset Grange, No. 65, and Quinebaug Pomona Grange, No. 2, and is secretary of Corner Stone Lodge, F. and A. M., and a member of Putnam Chapter, R. A. M. Mr. Covell is an active participant in every interest that pertains to the welfare of the community. In the Legislature of 1901 he was a valuable member of the Committee on Judicial Nominations. This session he was the capable clerk of the same committee and a member of the important Committee on Congressional and Senatorial Districts.
JOHN H. DAVIS,
Preston.

John H. Davis, of Preston, is the son of Ira A. and Lydia A. (Fenner) Davis, and was born in Stonington, December 14, 1862. He has been a resident of Preston since 1887. On March 25, 1880, he married Frances H. Whitmarsh, daughter of Edwin Whitmarsh, of Stonington. Four children have come to brighten their home: Ira A., born August 26, 1881; John E., born June 5, 1884; Flora A., born January 17, 1888; Frances M., born December 14, 1902. Mr. Davis is a successful farmer and has always taken a deep and active interest in the welfare of his town. He has creditably held several town offices, including that of Selectman, Constable and Republican Town Committeeman. In 1883, he was Corporal of Company A, Third Regiment, C. N. G. He is a highly respected member of Uncas Lodge, No. 11, I. O. O. F., and Palmyra Encampment, No. 3, I. O. O. F. He was a popular member of the important Committee on Railroads and gained many strong friends at the Capitol.
Daniel P. Dunn, of Windham (Willimantic), has the honor of being a native of the town he represents in the General Assembly. He is the son of Patrick and Mary Dunn, who immigrated to Willimantic fifty-five years ago. Mr. Dunn's father served in the War of the Rebellion, from 1862 to 1865, as a member of Co. D, Twenty-first Regiment, Connecticut Volunteers. Mr. Dunn was born September 14, 1859, and has always resided in his native town. He received his education in the public schools of Willimantic, leaving school at the age of fourteen, being one of the self-made men of his native town, who, by his honesty and genial disposition, has worked himself up to his present position as Representative of the town of Windham. He is noted for his charitable work where he resides and no one has ever come to him for assistance when in need but has always received it financially or otherwise. He was married April 23, 1889, to Miss Julia A. Rice, of Hartford, daughter of Thomas and Julia Rice. He has been successfully engaged in the newspaper, cigar and tobacco business for the past nineteen years. By fair and square dealings and genial and courteous manners he has built up a large and ever-increasing trade. He is affiliated closely with several fraternal and social organizations, amongst them being San Jose Council, No. 14, K. of C., Court Windham, No. 97, F. of A., Willimantic Conclave, No. 751, I. O. H., Division No. 1, A. O. R., Montgomery Hose Co., No. 2. He is also a member of the Citizens' Corps of the G. A. R., and honorary member of Co. E, C. N. G.; also an active member of the Putnam Phalanx, of Hartford. He has held several political offices, including Registrar of Voters for ten years. He is a staunch Democrat, but was elected Representative from a strong Republican town by the largest majority ever given to any one for that office, which speaks plainer than words as to his popularity. He was a faithful member of the Temperance Committee and took part in many important debates in the House, receiving hearty applause from his colleagues on nearly every occasion.
James H. Elliott, of Harwinton (Campville), is the son of Alexander and Jennette (Ely) Elliott, and was born in Harwinton, October 15, 1851. He received his education in the public schools of his native town. On May 9, 1874, he married Miss Susan T. Butler, of Harwinton. Six children have blessed the union: Lizzie A., born April 2, 1875, married to Clifford H. Wilson, of Harwinton, December 31, 1894; Howard L., born January 20, 1880; Homer A., born April 24, 1882; Robert J., born February 23, 1887; Grace J., born October 29, 1889; Perley E., born November 11, 1897. Mr. Elliott is a popular and successful blacksmith and wagon maker. He is a staunch Republican and a highly respected member of Union Chapel and superintendent of the Sunday-school. He has creditably held several public positions, including that of Selectman for four years (1888-1901); Justice of the Peace since 1895; serving as trial Justice for six years. Mr. Elliott joined Gilmore Council, O. U. A. M., August 1, 1893, and has very acceptably filled all the chairs. He is also a member of the State Council of the O. U. A. M. He was a valuable member of the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Rivers.
JOSEPH H. ELLIOTT, Pomfret, Youngest Member of the House.

Joseph Hawley Elliott, of Pomfret (Elliott), has the honor of being the youngest member of the House of Representatives. He is the son of Thomas O. and Mary L. (Averill) Elliott, and was born in Pomfret, June 21, 1877. His father has represented the town in the Legislatures of 1881, 1882, 1891 and 1893 and in the Constitutional Convention of 1902, which speaks plainer than words as to his popularity and sterling qualities. Mr. Elliott was educated in the public schools of his native town and is now successfully engaged in the lumbering business. He is an active Republican and attends the Congregational Church. He was an Assessor in 1901 and 1902 and is now a valuable member of the Republican Town Committee. He was Master of Wolf-Den Grange in 1900 and 1901. He was a trusted member of the House and won many true friends at the Capitol.
HENRY M. EVANS,  
Brooklyn.

Henry M. Evans, of Brooklyn, is a native of the town he had the honor to represent in the Constitutional Convention of 1902 and is also a popular member of the present Legislature. He was born October 22, 1863, and has always resided in Brooklyn. He is successfully engaged in farming and the lumber business and is the largest land owner in his town, his holdings aggregating about seven hundred and fifty acres. For several years he was an efficient Selectman of the town and has been an Assessor. He is a member of the Unitarian Church and of the Order of United American Mechanics. Mr. Evans is an influential Democrat and made many strong friends at the Capitol. He was a faithful member of the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Rivers.
Louis Agassiz Fisk, of Branford, is the son of Eugene D. and Katherine (Daniels) Fisk, and was born in Hartford, November 14, 1873. He received his literary education in the Chicago public schools and under Prof. F. A. Honey, of New Haven. After a three years' course in the Law department of the Lake Forest University, Chicago, he was graduated in 1897 with degree of L. B. Mr. Fisk comes from one of the oldest and best families of the State. His father was a famous lawyer and politician and distinguished himself both at bench and bar; also as chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee. On December 28, 1898, Mr. Fisk married Miss Ellen Veronica Lynch, daughter of the late Terrence Lynch, of New Haven. Three children have been born to them: Daniels, Marian Katherine and Louis A. In 1899, Mr. Fisk opened the Branford Driving Park; in 1901 he was elected Democratic Warden of the borough of Branford and in 1902 was a wide-awake delegate to the Constitutional Convention. He is a member of the New Haven Lodge of Elks. Mr. Fisk was a popular member of the Important Committee on Appropriations and on the Committee on Reception to Senator Platt. His upright and genial qualities gained for him the highest respect and esteem of a host of friends at the Capitol. He well merits continued honors from the hands of his townsmen.
Maltby G. Gelston, of Sherman, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of Hugh and Cornelia (Gaylord) Gelston, and was born February 9, 1847. His father was also a native of Sherman and took a prominent part in town affairs, serving as Judge of Probate for many years. His grandfather, Rev. Maltby Gelston, came to Sherman in 1796, and on April 26, 1797, was installed pastor of the Congregational Church, and remained pastor until his death, December 15, 1856. Mr. Gelston was educated in the schools of Sherman, Bridgeport and New Milford and at Naples Academy. He has successfully held several town offices, including that of Assessor, Board of Relief and member of the School Board. On February 9, 1875, he married Sophia C. Giddings, of Sherman. They have been blessed with one child, a daughter, Cornelia, born January 8, 1879. He is a prosperous farmer, a wide-awake Republican and from early manhood has been a leading worker in the Congregational Church and Sunday-school. In March, 1879, he was made deacon of the church, while at various times he has served as trustee, clerk, treasurer and superintendent of the Sunday-school. He was a valuable member of the important Committee on Education and gained many strong friends at the Capitol.
HENRY S. GOSLEE,
Glastonbury.

Henry Storrs Goslee, of Glastonbury, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of William S. and Mary T. (Storrs) Goslee, and was born September 12, 1872. He commenced his educational training in the public schools and Academy of Glastonbury, prepared for college at Williston Academy, Easthampton, Mass., and took a course at the New York University Law Department, graduating in June, 1894. In January, 1896, he was admitted to the Hartford County bar, when he opened an office in Hartford, where he has since been successfully engaged in the practice of law. On April 28, 1898, he married Lulu E., daughter of John E. Wright, of Glastonbury. Mr. Goslee is the chairman of the Republican Town Committee of Glastonbury and prosecuting agent for his district. He is a highly respected member of the First Congregational Church and vice-president of the church corporation. He is also vice-president of the Glastonbury Business Men's Association and president of the Glastonbury Golf Club. He gained many strong friends at the Capitol as the efficient clerk of one of the leading committees—Cities and Boroughs. He richly merits continued honors from the hands of his townsmen.
Martin Gorman, of Danbury, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of John and Ellen (Gallagher) Gorman, and was born January 1, 1864. He received his education in the public schools of Danbury and for many years has been successfully engaged in the hatter's trade. He is a popular, wide-awake and influential Democrat and a highly respected member of the Catholic Church and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He is also Deputy Grand Knight of McGiveny Council, Knights of Columbus. Mr. Gorman's upright public and private career has gained for him the highest respect and esteem of a host of friends. He has ever had a watchful eye for the best interests of his town and good government and in the Legislature creditably served as clerk of the Committee on Labor.
Charles H. Graham, of Farmington (Unionville), is the son of William Lord and Almira (Wilmot) Graham, and was born in New Britain, October 15, 1837. Mr. Graham was educated in the schools of New Britain and Burlington. At the age of eighteen he entered the employ of Dwight Langdon as shipping clerk. In 1854 Mr. Langdon's business was bought out by what is now the Upson Nut Company. Mr. Graham was superintendent of this concern for fifteen years, and upon the death of the treasurer, the Hon. Samuel Frisbie, in 1897, he succeeded to this position. He is also secretary of the Union Nut and Bolt Co., of New York and Chicago, assistant treasurer of the Union Rolling Mill Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, and vice-president and director of the Unionville Water Co., and director in the Union Water Power Co. Mr. Graham is thoroughly conversant with the mechanical principles of the bolt business. He invented and received a patent on the first automatic lathe for threading carriage bolts. In 1869 he married Emeline A., daughter of Seth and Martha (Brooks) Upson. Five children have blessed the union, three sons, Walter E., Samuel F., and Henry C., and two daughters, Lila E. and Winifred, both deceased. Mr. Graham has also held several minor offices in the town, and was a member of the Committee on Manufactures.
George Greenman, Republican Representative from Norwich, was born in Griswold, January 27, 1843, the son of James and Sarah L. (Morse) Greenman. He was educated in the common schools and Norwich Free Academy. He was married on March 24, 1874, to Lucy L. Loring, of Preston, and is the father of six children: Mary, Lucy M., Geo. L., James W., Lester and Charles D. For several years he was successfully engaged as an accountant and bookkeeper, and also in farming. At the present time he is not in active business. During the Civil War he was twenty months in the Eighteenth Connecticut, enlisting August 8, 1862, and being discharged in March, 1864. He was also twenty months in the 31st U. S. C. T., enlisting April 6, 1864, and was appointed Adjutant, and later promoted to Captain. Representative Greenman is a member of the G. A. R., and is a Past Post Commander of Sedgwick Post, No. 1, of Norwich. He is also a member of the Congregational Church. In the Legislature of 1901 he was a House member of the Committee on Military Affairs. This session he was a member of the important Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on Reception to Senator Platt. Both sessions he proved to be a faithful and valuable member, which won for him the universal confidence of his colleagues.
Edwin Hallock, of Derby, is a native of the town he has had the honor to represent in the Legislature for two terms, 1897 and 1903. He is the son of Zephaniah and Sarah (Hall) Hallock, and was born August 16, 1840. Mr. Hallock, as were probably all that bear that name in this country, is descended from Peter Hallock, one of thirteen Pilgrim fathers, including Rev. John Youngs, who came from England in 1640, and landed at New Haven. There on the 21st of October, 1640, it is recorded, Rev. Mr. Youngs "gathered his church anew" under the auspices of Rev. John Davenport, minister, and Theophilus Eaton, Governor of New Haven, and in the same autumn Mr. Youngs and his church, consisting of thirteen families, removed to Southold, then comprising the whole northeastern part of Long Island. Mr. Hallock was the first to land, and the place is still called "Hallock's Neck." Mr. Hallock bought a long tract of land from the Gorchangs Indians, now called Orient. Two of Representative Hallock's ancestors were in the Revolutionary War, and his father and a grandfather were in the war of 1812. In 1816 his father and his Uncle Israel removed from Long Island to Derby, engaging successfully in shipbuilding until 1855. Mr. Hallock has for a number of years been a prosperous hardware and real estate dealer at Derby. He is the highly respected treasurer of the First Congregational Church, a staunch Republican and Past Grand of the I. O. O. F. He has been a valuable member of the Board of Education the past six years and in the present Legislature was a faithful member of the Committee on Banks.
Urban T. Harrison, of North Branford, is an honored native of Northford, and was born May 3, 1855. He is the son of Lorenzo E. and Antoinette (Todd) Harrison, and was educated in the private schools of Northford. He resides on and manages the farm where he was born and since 1879 he has been employed at Wallingford as a metal turner. From 1873 to 1883 he was a popular and faithful member of Co. K, Second Regiment, C. N. G. He is a Past Master of Corinthian Lodge, No. 103, F. and A. M. Mr. Harrison takes a deep interest in the welfare of his town and enjoys the confidence and esteem of all who know him. He was a member of the Committee on Labor and gained many strong friends at the Capitol.
Joseph Russel Hatch, of New Fairfield, is an honored native of the town he represents in the Legislature, and was born February 22, 1863. He is the son of Russel and Betsy (Wildman) Hatch, and received his education in the public schools of his native town. On August 24, 1883, he married Almira E. Hayes, daughter of Lewis and Melinda Hayes. Five children have come to brighten their home: Clara M., born January 2, 1885, died July 13, 1896; Louis R., born September 18, 1886; Chester C., born January 16, 1888; Bessie M., born January 6, 1890; Adelaide T., born November 26, 1892. Mr. Hatch is a progressive farmer and is at present the popular and successful Master of New Fairfield Grange. He very acceptably filled the office of Selectman for three years (1892, 1895, 1899), was an Assessor the present year, and has been treasurer of the Town Library Fund since its organization in 1897. He is also chairman of the church committee connected with the Congregational Church. He has always been an ardent Republican, but had the honor of being elected Representative by a large majority in a strongly Democratic town. He faithfully served on the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Rivers.
Wallace P. Hayes, of Bethlehem, was born in that town, August 23, 1859, and died in Bridgeport, on February 21, 1903. He was the son of Stephens and Lucy A. (Platt) Hayes, and was educated in the Curtiss Academy, Bethlehem. He was a successful dealer in mining stocks and a director of the Standard Lead Co. For many years he faithfully and creditably filled several public positions. He was Constable for eight years, Deputy Sheriff three years, Town Auditor when he died, and was Doorkeeper in the House of 1891 and 1893 and the Senate of 1895. He was an influential Republican, a member of the Congregational Church, Federal Lodge, No. 17, F. and A. M., and Darius Chapter, No. 7, R. A. M., and was Master of Bethlehem Grange, No. 121, for two years. He won many kind friends in the General Assembly, where until his death he very acceptably served as clerk of the important Committee on Incorporations.
Thomas Patrick Higgins, of Norfolk, was born in Torrington, March 1, 1864, being the eldest of the six children of "Matthew Higgins, who won distinction on the Crimean battlefield as a member of the Queen's Guards, and who witnessed the immortal charge of Lord Cardigan and the Light Brigade at Balaklava." His mother was Ellen Ryan. He was educated at the Norfolk Academy and on June 25, 1890, married Katherine M. Hannafin. They have one son, Harold William, born March 1, 1897. Mr. Higgins is a staunch Democrat and has been Assessor for five years, Assistant Town Clerk two years and has creditably held various other offices. He is a committeeman of the Catholic Church, a trustee of Wangum Council, No. 1885, Royal Arcanum, and is a member of the Knights of Columbus. He has been in the employ of the Misses Eldridge for twenty-two years, being now foreman on their vast estate. He was a faithful member of the leading Committee on Manufactures.
Charles A. Hoffman, of Danbury, is the son of Amos C. and Catherine A. (Fritts) Hoffman, and was born at High Bridge, N. J., December 9, 1863. He received his education in the public schools of Somerville, N. J., and then learned the trade of cigarmaker. In May, 1884, he removed to Bethel, and two years later engaged in the cigar business at Danbury, being associated with Frederick H. Ohsee and John H. Riley. In 1891 he formed a partnership with his brother, Harry A. Hoffman, in the same business. In 1899 he purchased his brother's interest and has since successfully conducted the business. On September 22, 1886, Mr. Hoffman married Grace, daughter of Nelson Taylor, of Bethel. Three children have come to brighten their home: Mabel Grace, born August 9, 1887; Alice May, born May 6, 1890, and Clinton Melbourne, born July 3, 1893. Mr. Hoffman has always taken a deep interest in the upbuilding of Danbury and has done much valuable work for the Republican party. He is a popular member of Union Lodge, No. 40, R. A. M., Worcester Lodge, No. 30, K. of P., Danbury; Danbury Lodge, No. 120, H. P. O. E., Cigarmakers' Union, No. 180, Danbury, and Water Witch Hose Company. He is at present the Esteemed Leading Knight of the Elks and was for six years (1887-93) secretary of the Cigarmakers' Union of Danbury. He represented the union at the national conventions in 1899 and 1901 and at the State convention in New Haven in 1897. Mr. Hoffman was a faithful member of the Important Committee on Humane Institutions and of the Committee on Reception to United States Senator O. H. Platt. He gained a large circle of strong friends at the Capitol.
JUSTIN B. HOLMAN,
Old Saybrook.

Justin B. Holman, of Old Saybrook, was born in Oxford, Mass., June 12, 1837. He is the third son of Dr. David and Almira (Brown) Holman. Dr. Holman was a successful physician for fifty years in Oxford and Webster and a descendant of Col. Jonathan Holman, of Sutton, Mass., of Revolutionary fame. Mr. Holman's early days were spent on a farm, receiving his education in the common schools of his native town and in Nichols Academy, Dudley, Mass., after which he entered into mercantile business at Worcester, and later in Webster, where he remained for five years. On August 20, 1862, he married the eldest daughter, Laura Jane, of the late Hiram Allyn, Esq., and Caroline Avery, descendants of the Allyns and Averys of Groton. In 1866, through ex-Governor Thomas Seymour, of Hartford, Mr. Holman was offered the position of clerk and purser of the day steamboat "Silver Star," of the New York and Hartford Steamboat Co., which plied between Hartford and Saybrook Point. Here he first formed the acquaintance of the travelling public and upon the completion of the Hartford and Connecticut Valley Railroad, at the solicitation of the late Hon. J. C. Walkley, the road's first president, Mr. Holman accepted the position of conductor, and without any railroad experience he stepped aboard the first train ever run over the road to Old Saybrook Point, July 31, 1871. Mr. Holman was offered the choice of a home in Hartford or Saybrook. He chose the latter and still lives in the house he built thirty-two years ago and runs the same train daily, a record few conductors can equal in the United States. Mr. and Mrs. Holman have one daughter, Mabel Cassine. Mr. Holman is a member of the First Church of Christ in Old Saybrook and a member of the Lodge of Freemasons. He was elected to the House of Representatives by a large Republican majority and faithfully served on the two important committees, Humane Institutions and Joint Constitutional Amendments.
ALEXANDER A. HOUGHTON,
Putnam.

Alexander A. Houghton, of Putnam, is the son of Augustus and Elizabeth (Hawkins) Houghton, and was born in Glocester, R. I., September 2, 1850. When he was about a year old he removed to Worcester, Mass., where he received his education in the public schools of that city, supplemented by a course at Wilbraham University. After completing his education he entered the manufacturing business with his father, becoming superintendent and manager of his yarn mill at East Putnam. In 1873 he formed a partnership with Henry Hawkins and successfully conducted the business until 1890, when on account of the failing health of his father he gave up manufacturing and took charge of his father's large real estate business. Since his father's death, July 14, 1899, he has capably applied himself almost altogether to property interests. On July 4, 1869, Mr. Houghton married Anna M. Cady, daughter of James and Caroline (Bailey) Cady. Three children have blessed the union: James Elbert, born September 26, 1871; Winfred Augustus, born January 5, 1875, and Harry Alexander, born July 27, 1884. Mr. Houghton has creditably filled several town offices. He was clerk of the Board of Selectmen in 1900; First Selectman in 1901 and 1902, treasurer of the Republican Town Committee three years and a member of the First District School Committee for several years. Mr. Houghton is a popular member of Quinebaug Lodge, No. 106, A. F. and A. M., Putnam Chapter, No. 41, R. A. M., Israel Putnam Lodge, No. 33, I. O. O. F., Putnam Council, No. 33, Royal Arcanum, Putnam Lodge, No. 19, A. O. U. W. and B. P. O. Elks, No. 574, Putnam. He was a faithful member of the Important Committee on Cities and Boroughs and of the Special Committee on Reception to U. S. Senator O. H. Platt. Mr. Houghton's father was a member of the Legislature in 1885 and chairman of the Board of Selectmen and a Justice of the Peace for several years.
Dr. Arthur Wayland Howard, of Wethersfield, is a son of Rev. Amasa and Annie E. (Simmons) Howard, and was born in Providence, R. I., November 25, 1867. His father was a prominent Baptist minister, ably filling pastorates at Worcester, Providence and Hartford, and for ten years was chaplain of the State Prison at Wethersfield. He passed above in 1887. Dr. Howard was educated in the South School of Hartford and at the Hartford High School, graduating from the latter in 1887. He entered the Medical University of New York, graduating in 1890. He then gained an excellent knowledge of surgery at Chambers Street Hospital. In the fall of 1890 he opened an office at Wethersfield and has since very successfully practiced medicine and surgery, having a large number of patients in adjoining towns. In connection with his private practice he also acts as examiner for several large insurance companies, including the Hartford Life, the Phoenix, Mutual, Metropolitan and Waterbury Industrial. He is an honored member of the Hartford County Medical Society and the Connecticut Medical Society; also of Hartford Lodge, F. and A. M., and the Wethersfield Grange. On October 10, 1894, he married Hannah Tryon Standish, daughter of James Standish, of Wethersfield. Two children have come to brighten their home: Mildred Standish, born April 18, 1898, and Harold Amasa, born December 26, 1900. Mrs. Howard is a direct descendant from Myles Standish. Dr. Howard was a valuable member of the Committee on Public Health and Safety and gained many strong friends at the Capitol.
Charles S. Hyde, of Canterbury, is a native of the town he has had the honor to represent in the Legislature two terms, 1897 and 1903. He is the son of Jirah and Sophronia Hyde and was born December 30, 1858. On May 23, 1888, Mr. Hyde married Miss Addie Cleveland Frink, the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey C. Frink, of Canterbury. He is one of the largest and most progressive farmers in this section. His farm contains over 700 acres of land and the most of the same has been in the family name during four generations or more. Mr. Hyde has always identified himself closely with the interests of the Windham County Agricultural Society, has held many offices in the same and has been president the past three years. He is a breeder of thorough blood Devon stock and with his numerous exhibits in this and other farm products he never fails to reap a large share of the premiums offered. He has been master of Brooklyn Grange for five years, the best interests of which he never fails to promote. He is also an incorporator of the Brooklyn Savings Bank and a director of the Brooklyn Creamery. Mr. Hyde is an active Democrat and has served the town as First Selectman and has creditably filled other offices. His uprightness in character combined with honest and straightforward business principles have won for him the uttermost confidence of his townsmen. He gained many strong friends at the Capitol.
FESSENDEN L. IVES,
Goshen.

Fessenden L. Ives, of Goshen, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of Fessenden and Mary (Cook) Ives, and was born February 12, 1868. He received his education in the common schools and the Goshen Academy. On April 27, 1891, he married Miss Ellora Kimberly, daughter of Sherman Kimberly. Mr. Kimberly is an enthusiastic Granger and was the popular master of the State Grange in 1885. Three children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Ives: Fessenden Edward, born January 27, 1893, died February 15, 1903; Sylvia Esther, born November 25, 1899, and Sherman Kimberly, born April 18, 1902. The oldest child, Fessenden Edward, whose death was caused by a coasting accident, was a bright child of unusual promise and was deeply loved by all who knew him. Mr. Ives is a successful dairyman and farmer. He lives on a fine farm, which has belonged to the family for nearly half a century. He is a prominent life member of the State Dairymen's Association and took first prize on dairy butter in the association's convention in 1896 and 1897. He can well feel proud of his high-grade butter, which has a large sale in his section. Mr. Ives' father was a member of the General Assembly in 1875, and has been First Selectman of Goshen for nine years and Selectman for three additional years. Mr. Ives is a staunch Republican and a highly respected member of Litchfield Grange, No. 107. He was a faithful member of the House and gained many true friends at the Capitol.
STEPHEN E. JENNINGS,
Saybrook.

Stephen Edwards Jennings, of Saybrook (Deep River), is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the Legislature. He is the son of Stephen and Miriam (Bates) Jennings, and was born April 22, 1846. The Jennings family for many years have been closely associated with the leading commercial and manufacturing interests of Middlesex County. Mr. Jennings, after a thorough education, at the age of sixteen entered the bit factory his father had founded, and which was then located at Deep River. He successfully mastered every detail of the business and has since 1875 been secretary and now is a large stockholder of the well-known Russell Jennings Mfg. Co., Deep River. On October 10, 1882, Mr. Jennings married Rosamond Dibble, daughter of Linus and Theresa (Miner) Dibble, of Old Saybrook. Two children have come to brighten their home: William Russell, born August 12, 1883, and Stephen Bancroft, born February 28, 1885. Mr. Jennings is a loyal Republican and has always taken a deep interest in the welfare of his town. He is treasurer of the Baptist Church, and both he and Mrs. Jennings are popular and active members. He was an influential member of the Committee on Banks; his father serving on the same committee when member of the May session of 1846.
Curtis P. Jones, of Essex, son of Justus J. and Temperance (Pratt) Jones, was born in Deep River, May 29, 1845. He received his education in the public schools and at Mary Clark's boarding school, and for six years was employed by Pratt, Read & Co., Deep River. He went to Ivoryton in 1874 and entered the employ of Comstock, Cheney & Co. He also for a time was engaged in the manufacture of paint in Lyme. Mr. Jones was the popular postmaster at Ivoryton under President Cleveland and served as Selectman in 1892 and 1898. In 1893 he established his present prosperous business, dealing in clothing, tobacco supplies, confectionery, bicycle sundries, etc. He has been on the School Board for seven years and is a member of Trinity Lodge, F. and A. M., of Deep River. On October 22, 1879, he married Mary S. Lord, daughter of William J. Lord and Mehitable Slate Lord. Three children have blessed the union: May Curtis, born May 25, 1881; Paul, born February 20, 1883, and Frank L., born August 7, 1894. Mr. Jones is a staunch Democrat. He has always been interested in the upbuilding of his town, and his upright, genial and enterprising qualities have gained for him a large circle of warm friends.
Carl Robert Kelly, of Newtown, was born September 3, 1863, and died suddenly at St. Francis' Hospital, Hartford, May 20, 1903. He had the honor of being a native of the town he represented in the General Assembly. He was the son of James and Hannah (Houlihan) Kelly and received his education in the public schools of his town. He had been successfully engaged as clerk at the Grand Central Hotel and had won a large circle of kind friends. He was a staunch Democrat, a faithful member of the Roman Catholic Church and of Putnam Council, No. 54, K. of C. The funeral of Mr. Kelly was held at St. Rose's Church, May 23. The members of the Committee on Federal Relations, of which the deceased was a popular member, attended as a committee appointed by the Legislature to "draft resolutions of respect to his memory and to attend his funeral." On May 27, 1903, the report of the committee appointed for the purpose, the House passed the following resolution of respect to his memory:

Resolved by this House—That, learning with deep sorrow and regret of the death of Carl R. Kelly of Newtown, an honored member of this body, we extend to his bereaved family the sympathy of this House in their affliction. That, appreciating our loss and that of the community in which he lived and which he so ably represented here, we accord to his memory this tribute of respect.

That the clerk of this House be directed to transmit a copy of these resolutions to the family of the deceased.
Allerton C. Kibbe, of Ellington, is an honored native of that town. He is the son of Horatio and Alice (Phelps) Kibbe, and was born January 12, 1874. He received an excellent education in the public schools and at a private school in Somers, supplemented by a course at Huntsinger's Business College, Hartford. On January 17, 1900, he married M. Winifred Dimock, daughter of H. Eugene and Ellen (Clark) Dimock, of Tolland. Two children have blessed the union: Ellen, born November 25, 1900, and Mary Allerton, born December 19, 1902. He is a successful farmer and a highly respected member of the Congregational Church. He takes a deep interest in the welfare of his town and has been Auditor since 1899 and a member of the School Board since 1901. He has also been a director of the Ellington Creamery Co. since January, 1900, and president since January, 1903. He is a member of Ellington Grange, No. 46. He was one of the youngest Democrats in the House and won many strong friends at the Capitol.
ARETAS F. KIBBE,
Somers.

Aretas F. Kibbe, of Somers, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of Frederick and Naomi (Cooley) Kibbe, and was born September 6, 1850. Mr. Kibbe has successfully conducted a general store for the past eight years and for many years has been engaged in the lumber business. On October 26, 1873, he married Ida M., daughter of Iraamsus Cooley, of Somers. Nine children have come to bless their home: Luetta M., born August 17, 1874, wife of William J. Griswold, of East Longmeadow, Mass.; Percy A., born September 20, 1875; Florence A., born March 24, 1877, wife of Birnie W. Kibbe, of Somers; George F., born January 11, 1879; Herbert M., born June 20, 1882; Harriet E., born January 9, 1885; Clarence E., born August 25, 1894; Daniel, born July 14, 1896; Frederick, born February 19, 1901. Mr. Kibbe has creditably held several town offices, including that of Selectman, Justice of Peace, Grand Juror, Board of Relief and School Committee. He is a staunch Republican and a highly respected member of the East Longmeadow Baptist Church. He was a faithful member of the Important Committee on Insurance and gained many true friends at the Capitol.
William E. La Belle, of Killingly, is a native of Athens, N. Y., but when he was a year old he removed with his parents, George and Cordelia (Decker) La Belle, to Cleveland, Ohio, where he received his education in the public schools. In February, 1872, he came to Connecticut to reside, locating at North Grosvenordale, in the town of Thompson, where he learned the machinist's trade. He rapidly became an expert in the business and in 1881 was engaged as engineer for the Quinebaug Company of Danielson. From 1883 to 1894 he was successively employed as master mechanic by the Canada Cotton Company, Cornwall, Ont., the John W. Slater Company, Slaterville, R. I., and the Sabin L. Sayles Company, Killingly. Owing to poor health he was obliged to resign from the position and in May, 1894, he purchased the drug business of C. O. Deschene at Dayville (Killingly). On November 1, 1877, he married Miss Nellie M. Dillaber, daughter of Alvin A. and Angella (Hawks) Dillaber, of North Grosvenordale. Mr. La Belle is a highly esteemed member of Moriah Lodge, No. 15, A. F. and A. M., Warren Chapter, No. 12, R. A. M., Montgomery Council, No. 2, R. and S. M., John Lyon Lodge, No. 45, K. of P., C. H. Bacon Co., U. R. of K. of P., and was the first and is now the present chief of the Dayville Fire Department. He is a staunch Republican and is always quick to respond to any call pertaining to his party or the public benefit of his town. He is recognized as one of the most successful, enterprising and progressive citizens in Windham County and is held in the highest regard and esteem. He was a faithful and valuable member of the leading Committee on Railroads and is the Windham County member of the Executive Committee of the Legislative Club of 1903.
Albert Barton Landon, of Salisbury (Lakeville), is a native of the town he has had the honor to represent in the General Assembly two consecutive terms, 1901 and 1903. He is the son of James H. and Mary (Barton) Landon, and was born September 6, 1863. Mr. Landon is now living on the farm that has been in the Landon family for five generations. His grandfather, James Landon, was a member of the Legislature in 1859, just one hundred years after his grandfather, James Landon, had been a member of the House. Mr. Landon's grandfather on the maternal side, Pliny L. Barton, was a Democratic member of the House three terms and of the Senate one term, and was appointed to carry to Washington the electoral vote of the State at the election of Franklin Pierce. Mr. Landon received his education in the public schools of Salisbury and at South Berkshire Institute, New Marlboro, Mass. On October 30, 1889, he married Carrie L. Bissell, daughter of William L. Bissell. One daughter, Gertrude Bissell, born June 27, 1892, has blessed the union. Mr. Landon is a well-known and successful dealer in high-grade cattle and is also engaged in general farming. He is a staunch Republican and was an efficient Selectman of the town two years, 1896 and 1897. He is universally respected and esteemed by a large circle of friends.
Harold Lawton, of Baltic (Sprague), is a son of John and Martha (Holden) Lawton, and was born in Yorkshire, England, May 8, 1852. He is a descendant of an old English family of Quakers and came to America in 1872, settling at Moosup. On November 24, 1873, he married Miss Georgianna, daughter of William Pettegrew, of Moosup. Mr. Lawton has been a successful cotton manufacturer for many years. He is a director and general manager of the Baltic Mills Co., also of the Lawton Spring Co., Woonsocket, and Warwick Mills, Centreville, R. I. The last two mills Mr. Lawton organized and brought to be very successful concerns. The Baltic Mills also are largely due to Mr. Lawton for their success. He is a staunch Republican, a highly respected member of the Methodist Church of Baltic and Morning Star Lodge, F. and A. M., of Woonsocket, R. I. He was a valuable member of the important Committee on Incorporations and won many warm friends at the Capitol. He always has a watchful eye for the best interests of his town and good government.
Rev. James Harvey Lockwood, of Woodbury, the only clergyman in the House of 1903, was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., May 14, 1872. He attended the public schools of his native city, and at thirteen years of age entered the law office of Hon. Foster L. Backus, where he remained six years, beginning as office boy and ending as chief clerk. Leaving the law for the gospel, he took a course at Hackettstown, N. J., where he graduated with high honors in 1895. Later he took a full course at Drew Theological Seminary. While there he received the highest office within the gift of the students, the presidency of their association. He supplied the following churches as pastor during his student days: Johnsonburg, N. J., Frankford Plains, N. J., and Middle Village, New York City. In 1890 he joined the New York East Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church and was appointed pastor of Shaw Avenue Church, New York City. He has just closed a pastorate of two years at Woodbury and is now beginning his work as pastor in Naugatuck. He never held political office before and did not look favorably on the proposition that he should stand as a candidate for the Legislature. The better class of citizens in Woodbury, however, insisted that, under the circumstances, it was his duty to accept the nomination. The office having come to him absolutely unsought, he yielded to the wishes of his fellow-citizens so emphatically expressed. His career in the House was a brilliant one. Whenever he spoke on a measure he commanded the closest attention and almost invariably carried his point. He was called the “clerical wit of the House.” On several occasions he acted as chaplain pro tem., to the great satisfaction of the members. Twice the Speaker showed his appreciation of Mr. Lockwood’s ability by inviting him to preside as Speaker pro tem., but he modestly declined the honor. He is not married yet.
James N. Loomis, of Granby, is the son of Harrison and Charlotte Hart (Peck) Loomis, and was born in Southwick, Mass., September 16, 1832, removing to Granby in 1847. He received his education in the public schools of his native town and at the Southwick Academy. In March, 1856, he married Catherine Pratt, who died January 9, 1883, leaving two children: Frank N., born March 24, 1858, and Harry P., born November 26, 1863. On December 11, 1884, he married Estella M. Dewing. One son has blessed their union, George D., born July 20, 1889. Mr. Loomis since 1850 has been successfully engaged in the mercantile business and for many years has been a prominent public official. He was postmaster of Granby from 1858 to 1868, then resigned, having been elected Representative the latter year. In 1879 he was reappointed and creditably filled the office until his present re-election as Representative. He was a Selectman of the town during the Civil War, for many years was Commissioner of Deeds of North Carolina and has been administrator of several large estates. Mr. Loomis is a staunch Republican, a highly respected member of the South Congregational Church, treasurer of St. Mark's Lodge, No. 91, F. and A. M., member of La Fayette Chapter and Clinton Council, F. and A. M., treasurer Salmon Brook Water Co. and treasurer Granby Cemetery Association. He was the efficient clerk of the Committee on School Fund and was universally respected at the Capitol.
Dr. William H. Loomis, of Vernon (Rockville), is the son of Francis Dwight and Laura M. (Brown) Loomis, and was born in West Springfield, Mass., April 17, 1842. He received his education in the Westfield (Mass.) High School, Williston Seminary, Easthampton, Mass., and the Connecticut Literary Institution, Suffield. On May 4, 1861, he enlisted at Westfield as a private in Co. K, Tenth Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, and was promoted to corporal August 24, 1861, sergeant in 1862 and first sergeant April 15, 1863. He was engaged in seventeen battles, was wounded at Cold Harbor, Va., June 8, 1864, and was honorably discharged July 1, 1864. The next four years he studied dentistry in a private office at New Haven. On April 1, 1868, he came to Rockville, where he has since successfully practiced dentistry. He is now serving his second term as a State Dental Commissioner, and has been a member of the Connecticut State Dental Society since 1868 and is a member of the Northeastern Dental Society and the Hartford Dental Society. On May 19, 1866, he married Anna R. Merrifield. Four sons have been born to them: Harry M., John H., Wm. F. and Albert Clayton. Dr. Loomis is a sterling Republican and has always taken a deep and active interest in the welfare of his town. He has creditably and faithfully served as a Councilman of the city of Rockville for six years and as Mayor since January 1, 1900. His present term as Mayor expires January 1, 1904. He is a charter member of Burpee Post, No. 71, G. A. R., Past Post Commander and Past Junior Vice-Dept. Commander, G. A. R., member Connecticut Army and Navy Club, and of Connecticut Society of Sons of American Revolution. He is also a member of Fayette Lodge, No. 69, A. F. and A. M., Adoniram Chapter, No. 18, R. A. M., Adoniram Council, No. 14, R. and S. M., Washington Commandery, No. 1, Knights Templar. He was a valuable member of the Important Committee on Humane Institutions and a member of the Special Committee on Reception to United States Senator Platt.
Charles Elihu Lyman, of Middlefield, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the Legislature. He is the son of David and Catherine E. (Hart) Lyman, and was born November 3, 1857. The Lyman family has been identified with Middlefield since 1741, when John Lyman and his wife, Hope Hawley, settled there. Representative Lyman was graduated from the Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, Mass., class 1878. He has met with great success as a practical farmer. He now owns the Lyman farm of more than nine hundred acres, one of the largest and best farms in Middlesex County. He is also successfully engaged in fruit culture, raising of lambs and as secretary and treasurer of the Lyman Gem Light Corporation. He is an enthusiastic Republican, a deacon of the Congregational Church and has been an efficient Selectman of the town. On June 8, 1886, he married Emma C. Hall, daughter of Hezekiah and Harriet (Coe) Hall. She died December 25, 1901, leaving six children: Henry Hall, born May 4, 1888; Alma, born September 5, 1889; Esther, born February 3, 1892; Charles Elihu, Jr., born April 9, 1894; John, born December 24, 1895, and Sarah Dickinson, born April 24, 1897. Mr. Lyman was a faithful and valuable member of two committees, Constitutional Amendments (House) and Congressional and Senatorial Districts.
Osborne Edward Murphy, of Hartland, is the son of Sheffield R. and Maria E. (Ives) Murphy, and was born in Tolland, Mass., April 16, 1850. His father was the popular and successful First Selectman of Colebrook for several years. Mr. Murphy was educated in the common schools of Colebrook. At the age of eighteen he entered the general store of R. O. Bushnell, Colebrook River, as clerk, and in 1872 purchased the business, which he conducted for three years. He then for three years was clerk in the store of Smith & Spencer, New Hartford, and is now engaged in farming. For five years he was in the lumber business in Hartland. He has been a member of the School Board of Colebrook and for two and a half years has creditably served on the School Board of Hartland. He has also been a Selectman, Registrar (1899-1903), Assessor and a member of the Board of Relief of the town. He is a wide-awake Republican and for the past five years has been a director of the Tunxis Creamery. On May 20, 1874, he married Hannah D., daughter of Giles Olin. Three children have been born to them: Olin W., born October 29, 1881; Clayton S., born April 18, 1884, died July 3, 1887, and Correll D., born September 4, 1885. Mr. Murphy is a valuable citizen and has gained hosts of true friends.
LAUREN L. NETTLETON, Killingworth, Oldest Member of the House.

Lauren L. Nettleton, of Killingworth, has the honor of being the oldest member of the House, also the oldest delegate to the Constitutional Convention of 1902. He is a life-long resident of Killingworth, where he was born October 15, 1824. He is the son of Ezra and Miriam (Lane) Nettleton, and was educated in the public schools of his native town and at a select school in Clinton. He taught school for nineteen terms. On October 16, 1850, he married Eliza C., daughter of David Evarts, of Killingworth. Two children have been born to them: Edward E., born May 13, 1853, and now a successful lumber dealer at Deep River; Carol C., born June 12, 1856, died May 13, 1887. Mr. Nettleton is a staunch Republican and a progressive farmer. He has for many years taken an active interest in town affairs and has successfully filled several town offices. He has creditably filled the position of Acting School Visitor and secretary of the School Board since 1878, has been Selectman and Assessor for several years and has filled other minor positions. He has been a faithful deacon of the Congregational Church of Killingworth for about half a century and a teacher in the Sunday-school for thirty-five years. He is Past Master of the Killingworth Grange, was chaplain of the Seaview Pomona Grange for three years, has been president of the Evergreen Cemetery Association since its organization in 1874 and president of the Madison Mutual Fire Insurance Company since 1899. He was the first president of the Killingworth Agricultural Society, which was organized in 1878. He continued in office six years, and during that time the society built and paid for a large and commodious agricultural hall. Mr. Nettleton was a valuable member of the Committee on Education and enjoys the confidence and respect of his townsmen and his colleagues at the Capitol.
Henry Huntington Newton, of Durham, is an honored native of that town and was born March 28, 1841. He is the eldest son of Roger Watson and Cynthia (Huntington) Newton, a descendant on his father's side of Roger Newton, the first minister of Farmington, and of Thomas Hooker, the first minister of Hartford. His mother was of the same family as Samuel Huntington, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, President of Congress, and from 1786 to 1796 Governor of Connecticut. His grandfather, Jonathan Huntington, was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1818, and his grandfather, Abner Newton and great-grandfather, Burwell Newton, were both soldiers in the War of the Revolution. Mr. Newton was educated in the Durham Academy, supplemented by a scientific course at Wesleyan University, in the class of 1867. On December 9, 1864, he married Caroline Gaylord Newton, daughter of Deacon Gaylord Newton. He is a prosperous farmer and an active Republican. He has always taken a deep interest in the welfare of his native town and has filled the positions of Town Treasurer, School Visitor and Grand Juror in a pleasing and efficient manner. He volunteered in Co. B, Fourteenth Regiment, C. V., in the Civil War, but was rejected for physical disability. Since eighteen years of age he has always been a teacher or an officer in the First Congregational Church of Durham. He has for many years been clerk and treasurer of the church and superintendent of the Sunday-school. He was a faithful and valuable member of two committees, Military Affairs and Legislative Expenses.
Charles B. Noyes, of Lebanon, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of Captain Henry and Sally (Hull) Noyes, and was born April 28, 1845. He was educated in the public schools of Lebanon. On August 20, 1867, he married Eliza J. Kingsley, daughter of James Madison and Abby J. (Hyde) Kingsley. Two children have been born to them: Edna, born November 12, 1869, and C. Winfield, born October 29, 1873. Mr. Noyes is a prosperous farmer and an active Republican. He has creditably filled several town offices and was Deputy Sheriff for New London County from 1888 to 1903, resigning to serve as Representative, but was reappointed soon after the adjournment of the Legislature. He was Selectman from 1880 to 1884 and again from 1888 to 1892, was Assessor from 1889 to 1890, member of the Board of Relief from 1891 to 1892 and has been a Constable and Grand Juror. He has filled all the offices in Lebanon Lodge, No. 23, A. O. U. W., and is a member of Natchaug Lodge, No. 22, K. of P., Willimantic. He was a faithful member of the leading Committee on Railroads and was very popular at the Capitol.
W. Harley Palmer, of Coventry, is the son of Walter and Abby (Green) Palmer, and was born in South Coventry, December 6, 1873. His father is also a prominent man of the town, having creditably held several town offices. Mr. Palmer was educated in the public schools of his native town. On May 31, 1897, he married Mabel C. Babcock, the estimable daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Babcock, of Coventry. He has, for the past twelve years, been a successful blacksmith. In 1895 he was located in Tolland, being in company with G. J. Hewlett. Since 1896 he has by prompt and first-class work built up an ever-increasing business for himself. He is a staunch member of the Democratic Town Committee and has been a faithful Grand Juror and Constable of the town. He was a member of the Committee on Congressional and Senatorial Districts and the Special Committee on Reception to United States Senator Platt. His ever good nature won for him many kind friends at the Capitol.
Edward H. Persons, of Winchester (Winsted), is the son of the late Torrel and Sylvia (Bristol) Persons, and was born in Sandisfield, Mass., April 27, 1850. He received his education in the public schools of his native town and in the South Berkshire Institute. He lived on a farm until he was eighteen years of age, when he removed to Winsted, where he entered the dry goods business. In 1901 he retired from active business. He was for one term one of the Burgesses of the borough and one of the Assessors. He is one of the corporators of the Winsted Savings Bank and serves on the loaning committee. He is also a member of the School Board. He is an influential Democrat and a member of the Royal Arcanum. On September 17, 1878, he married Mary I. Cook, daughter of the late George B. and Cornelia (Trowbridge) Cook. One daughter, Helen Cornelia, born April 9, 1891, has come to brighten their home. Mr. Persons very acceptably served on the important Committee on Appropriations and won a large circle of kind friends at the Capitol.
JOHN B. POPE,
Oxford.

John B. Pope, of Oxford, is the son of Nehemiah and Eliza (Parker) Pope, and was born in Roxbury, July 13, 1842. He was educated in the common school of his native town. He has had the honor to represent his town in the Legislature for three sessions. In 1880 he was a member of the Committee on Banks, in 1881 a member of the Committee on Humane Institutions and this session a member of the Committee on New Counties and County Seats. On August 7, 1864, he married Jane M. Nichols, daughter of Horace and Abigail (Holt) Nichols. Eleven children have blessed the union: Libbie C., born September 13, 1865; John H., born July 26, 1867; William B., born March 26, 1872; Albert K., born May 20, 1874; Jennie L., born August 13, 1875; Alice M., born April 7, 1877; Louis B., born February 28, 1880; Sadie G., born January 20, 1882; Edith A., born October 31, 1884; Charles P., born March 3, 1887, and Abbie H., born July 28, 1889. Mr. Pope is an influential Democrat and member of the A. O. U. W. He is a successful farmer and dealer in lumber and wood. He was the popular and efficient First Selectman of the town from 1879 to 1883 and from 1899 to 1903.
David N. Porter, of Thompson (East Thompson), is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of Jonathan and Lucinda (Bates) Porter, and was born June 14, 1851. His father was a member of the Legislature in 1857. Mr. Porter received an excellent education in the "Pond" School, Webster High School, Nichols Academy and East Greenwich Academy, graduating from the latter June 29, 1870, commercial course. He is a prosperous farmer and for three years, 1895 to 1898, was a popular and efficient Selectman of the town. For eight years he was engaged in farming near Worcester and for twelve years was a herdsman in the Northwest. On June 24, 1899, he married Mrs. Lydia A. Lockwood, of Providence, R. I. He has for many years been a highly respected steward of the Methodist Church of East Thompson. He was a valuable member of the important Committee on Agriculture and gained many strong friends at the Capitol. Mr. Porter takes a deep interest in everything that pertains to the welfare of his town.
HENRY J. POTTER,
Woodstock.

Henry J. Potter, of Woodstock, is the son of Stephen L. and Sarah C. (Morse) Potter, and was born in West Woodstock, September 15, 1850. He was educated in the public schools of his native town and at the Woodstock Academy. For twenty-nine years Mr. Potter was a successful school teacher in Rhode Island, Nebraska and Connecticut. He was principal of the Sixth District Grammar School of Putnam for seven years, and was three years in Thompson, four years in New Shoreham, R. I., two years was principal of the Grammar School in Central Village (Plainfield), and one year was principal of the United States Industrial School at Winnebago Indian Agency, Nebraska. On February 17, 1898, he married Alice C. Chandler, daughter of William Chandler, of East Woodstock. Mr. Potter is a prosperous farmer and president of the Woodstock Milk Producers' Union. He is an influential Republican and was the efficient chairman of the School Board for two years and has served his town as Acting School Visitor. He is also a highly respected member of Friendly Union Lodge, No. 184, I. O. O. F., of Fall River, Mass., and of Woodstock Grange. Mr. Potter gained a large circle of strong friends at the Capitol. He was a valuable member of the important Committee on Education and was instrumental in the passage of the bill for State aid to schools in small towns.
Edward A. Pratt, of Voluntown, is a highly esteemed native of the town he has the honor to represent in the Legislature. He is the son of James M. and Charlotte (Tanner) Pratt and was born March 25, 1858. He was educated in the common school of Voluntown. On December 19, 1878, he married Phebe A. Phillips, daughter of Jabez T. and Hannah M. (Corey) Phillips. Two children have blessed the union: Walter J., born September 20, 1882, and Minnie J., born September 15, 1889. Mr. Pratt is a wide-awake Republican and has always been actively engaged in furthering the interests of his party. He voted for President Garfield in 1880 and has voted for all Republican candidates for twenty-four years. He was delegate to the State Convention in 1892 and to the Senatorial Convention in 1902. He is an agent of the Town Deposit Fund and for a number of years was a member of the Board of Relief. He is also a member of the United Order of American Mechanics. Mr. Pratt was a member of the Committee on New Towns and Probate Districts and gained many kind friends at the Capitol, who admire him for his sterling qualities.
JOHN H. PURCELL,  
Salem.

John Henry Purcell, of Salem, is the son of John and Ann (Maloney) Purcell, and was born in Colchester, May 15, 1855. He received his education in the public schools of Colchester. On November 15, 1880, he married Emma L. Banning, daughter of Henry B. Banning and Helen Keldea, of East Had dam. Mr. Purcell is a successful farmer and a highly respected member of the Catholic Church. He has ever taken a deep and active interest in the welfare of his town and has creditably and faithfully filled the positions of Selectman and Assessor. Mr. Purcell is a valuable citizen and his honest and upright qualities have gained for him a large circle of true friends.
Albert D. Putnam, of Killingly (Danielson), was born in Brooklyn, February 25, 1852. He received his education in the public schools of Brooklyn and Danielson and the New Britain Normal School. He was engaged in farming and teaching until the spring of 1888, when he removed to Danielson. Since that time he has been in the banking business, being a director of the Windham County Savings Bank and the Windham County National Bank. He has also been cashier of the First National Bank of Killingly. He is a member of the School Board and of the library committee; also of St. Alban's Church, Moriah Lodge, F. and A. M., A. O. U. W., and Sons of the American Revolution. On December 6, 1876, he married Harriet E. Dorrance, of Brooklyn. Three children have been born to them: William H., Sarah J. and Eliza D. Mr. Putnam was a member of the Committee on Banks.
William Fulton Quigg, of Marlborough, is the son of Daniel and Mary (McCaughan) Quigg, and was born in Coleraine, Ireland, November 24, 1863. He was educated in the public schools of his native town. In July, 1877, he came to this country to reside with his aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Macdonald, Colchester. At the age of nineteen he became clerk in a retail fruit store at Paterson, N. J., which position he held for two years, when he for two years was employed in an export commission house in New York, and then for two years in a fruit and produce commission house in New York. He has been a resident of Marlborough since April, 1887, and in 1901-1902 was District School Committeeman. In 1889 he engaged in the lumber business, which he has since successfully followed. He has visited several towns with his portable saw-mill, where he has turned out an immense amount of lumber. On June 8, 1892, he married Hulda, daughter of John Dennler, of Marlborough. Seven children have come to brighten their home: Jennie Hulda, born December 28, 1893; Pauline Mary, born December 29, 1894; Frances Elizabeth, born July 7, 1896, died September 24, 1897; William Fulton, born June 20, 1899; Daniel Herman, born July 25, 1900; August Henry, born June 12, 1902, and Mildred Dorothy, born June 19, 1903. Mr. Quigg is a staunch Republican and a model example of a self-made man. He enjoys the confidence and respect of all who know him. As a faithful member of the Committee on Federal Relations and Putnam Memorial Camp he gained many strong friends at the Capitol.
George Hersey Robertson, of Coventry, is the son of Elijah and Rosella (Burlingame) Robertson, and was born in South Coventry, January 7, 1875. He is a graduate of the Hartford Business College, class '93, and of the Willimantic State Normal School, class '95. The Robertsons come from Scotch ancestors and were among the first settlers of Coventry. Mr. Robertson's mother is a direct descendant of Anson Burlingame, who was United States Minister to China. On May 15, 1902, Mr. Robertson married S. Ethel Maine, daughter of N. C. and Elizabeth Maine, of Bolton. He was the successful principal of the Ridgefield Center School for three years and for one year was principal of the Second North School in East Hartford, and one year at Versailles, resigning the position when elected to the Legislature. He is at present a United States mail contractor, having nine routes under his charge, and is also interested in farming and dairying. He is an active Democrat, a member of the Episcopal Church, First Co., Governor’s Foot Guards, Jerusalem Lodge, No. 49, A. F. and A. M., of Ridgefield, and Border Grange, No. 93, Patrons of Husbandry, and is president of the Willimantic branch of the Milk Producers’ Association. He has been Acting School Visitor in Coventry since 1897 and has been a Town Auditor. He was one of the most wide-awake and active Democrats in the House and faithfully served on the Committee on Congressional and Senatorial Districts.
Edwin A. Russell, of Suffield, is the son of Abel and Emeline Loomis Russell, and was born in Russell, Hampden County, Mass., July 5, 1833. He is a descendant of two of the oldest families in Connecticut; his mother was a direct descendant from Joseph Loomis, who came from England and settled in Windsor in 1639-40, and his father from William Russell, who also came from England and settled in New Haven a few years later. Mr. Russell was educated in the common and select schools of his native town and of Blandford and at the Westfield Academy, and he subsequently taught school for several terms. On October 30, 1855, he married Sarah Louise Tinker, daughter of David Parks and Mary Elizabeth (Hamilton) Tinker, of Blandford, Mass. One son, Henry Benajah, journalist and author, born in 1859, has blessed the union. Mr. Russell and wife spent most of the first year after marriage in Ohio and the next ten years on their farm in Russell. In 1866 they removed to Suffield, where Mr. Russell has been engaged in general farming, with especial attention to dairying and the growing of high-grade tobacco. He has always been a staunch Republican in politics and in his native town held the offices of Selectman, Assessor and School Visitor. In Suffield also he was for a term of years chairman of the Board of Selectmen and of the School Committee. He is one of the corporators of the Suffield Savings Bank; he has been superintendent of the Suffield Creamery Company since its organization in 1887 and at present is president of the Connecticut Creamery Association. Mr. Russell is identified with the First Congregational Church and society of Suffield; he was chairman of the society's committee and superintendent of the Sunday-school for several years, and has been a deacon in the church since 1860.
Alva F. Sayles, of Sterling, is the only son of Daniel J. and Evelyn (Burdick) Sayles, and was born in Plainfield, July 27, 1871. He is a descendant of John Sayles, who came from England and settled in Rhode Island, near what is now Providence, in 1638, and married Nancy, daughter of Roger Williams. He was educated in the public schools of his town and at the Willimantic Normal School. He successfully taught school three years, 1893-95, and since October 16, 1896, has been foreman of the Sterling Dyeing and Finishing Company. On December 24, 1898, he married Mary Morris, only daughter of Joseph and Catherine (Quirk) Morris. One son has blessed the union: J. Daniel, born October 13, 1899. Mr. Sayles has taken a deep and active interest in the welfare of his town. He has been secretary of the Board of Education since 1900 and a Registrar of Voters since 1899. He is a staunch Democrat and a highly esteemed member of the Baptist Church. He is also a popular member of Moosup Lodge, No. 113, A. F. and A. M., and a charter member of Higgins Lodge, No. 28, A. O. U. W., of Rice City, R. I. He gained a large circle of good friends at the Capitol.
Leslie Collins Seymour, of Windsor Locks, has the honor of having represented his town in the Legislature for two consecutive terms, 1901 and 1903. He is the son of William Collins and Essie (Dooley) Seymour, and was born in Southwick, Mass., March 13, 1849. His father was a native of East Granville, Mass., but removed in 1859 to Suffield where he became a prosperous farmer. Mr. Seymour obtained his early education in the schools of Southwick and Suffield, and after remaining on the farm until he was seventeen years of age, he learned the carpenter's trade with John C. Meade, of Hartford, and was for seven years employed by him as a journeyman. Having become an expert at his trade, Mr. Seymour started out in business for himself, and since has become known as one of the most successful and reliable contractors and builders in this section of the State, he having for several years past superintended the work on the canal, at the same time devoting a part of his attention to the timber business and to tobacco growing. He has been since 1899 a Selectman of his town and, in addition, he is an active member of Apollo Lodge, No. 56, A. F. and A. M., and of several other equally prominent organizations. On May 26, 1875, he married Alice E. Moran. Mr. Seymour was a faithful and valuable member of three important committees, Contingent Expenses, Manufactures and New Towns and Probate Districts. He was clerk of the first named committee. Mr. Seymour is a staunch Democrat and is always quick to respond to any call pertaining to his party or the public benefit of his town. He is recognized as one of the enterprising and progressive citizens of Windsor Locks and is held in the highest regard and esteem.
EDWIN C. SHELTON,
Monroe.

Edwin C. Shelton, of Monroe, is a native of the town he had the honor
to represent in the Constitutional Convention of 1902 and in the present
General Assembly. He is the son of Charles G. and L. Cornelia (Hubbell)
Shelton, and was born February 13, 1872. He received his education in the
public and private schools of his town and was graduated from Hazel Hall
Academy, class 1889. On February 18, 1899, he married Alice M. French,
daughter of Bennett and Mary W. French, of Huntington. One son has
blessed the union, Leslie Ellsworth, born June 1, 1902. Mr. Shelton is suc-
cessfully engaged in farming and newspaper and literary work and has cred-
itably held several public offices. He has been the efficient chairman of the
School Board since 1894, Tax Collector since 1895, and secretary of Harmony
Grange, No. 92, since 1894. He is an active and influential Democrat and a
highly esteemed member of the Episcopal Church. He was elected a dele-
gate to the Constitutional Convention by thirty-five majority and as Repre-
sentative—the first Democratic one in ten years—by twenty-one majority,
the town going Republican on the State ticket by eight majority. He was the
youngest member from Fairfield County both sessions. This session he was
unanimously elected clerk of the Committee on Claims and on January 20
was elected Democratic Auditor of Fairfield County for two years by a vote
of ten to four. He well merits continued honors.
HIRAM A. SMITH,
Colebrook.

Hiram Alpha Smith, of Colebrook, son of Hiram G. and Clementina (Barber) Smith, was born in the western part of Colebrook, May 3, 1836. He comes of Puritanical and Revolutionary ancestry, his mother being a descendant of Peter Brown, the pilgrim, and his grandfather, Joseph Smith, having served in the Revolution. On September 9, 1858, he was married to Harriet North, daughter of Joel North, of Colebrook. He settled on the Joel North homestead, a short distance from his birthplace, where he has ever since resided. Five children have blessed the union: Howard, born August 25, 1859; Gertrude Clementina, born December 28, 1861; Lester North, born July 27, 1864; Julian Hiram, born November 16, 1866, and Josephine Harriet, born August 29, 1871. Though Mr. Smith has always been a farmer, his occupation has been somewhat diversified. In the days when it was deemed advisable to hire a man teacher for the winter term to instruct and train the youth of our public schools, he spent his winters teaching school. He served in the Civil War as sergeant of Co. F, Twenty-eighth Regiment, Connecticut Volunteers. For a period of more than twenty years, he spent several months in each year as traveling salesman for Winsted manufacturing companies. He is a Republican and has always taken a deep and active interest in the welfare of his town, performing faithfully the duties assigned to him. He was a member of two Legislative Committees, Finance and New Towns and Probate Districts.
Roderick S. Smith, of Simsbury, is the son of Timothy St. John and Sarah (Stanley) Smith, and was born in New Haven, April 22, 1853. He was educated in the common and select schools of Simsbury. At the age of eighteen months he removed to Plainville, where he resided until he was twelve years of age, when he came to Simsbury, where he has since resided, except in 1880-81, when he lived in Ansonia. On June 10, 1874, he married Flora Winnifred Hamilton, who passed beyond December 3, 1892, leaving two children: Emma Louise, born August 9, 1875, and Flora Tuller, born August 14, 1880. On February 20, 1897, he married J. Elizabeth Roberts, daughter of Charles L. and Jane G. (Sanford) Roberts. Mr. Smith is a successful builder and farmer. He is a staunch Republican and was the respected chairman of the Ecclesiastical Society of the First Congregational Church from 1896 to 1899. He has always taken a deep and active interest in town affairs. He was an Assessor in 1885 and 1886 and a member of the School Committee in 1879 and 1892. Mr. Smith has a large circle of good friends, who respect and esteem him for his sterling qualities.
WILLIAM SPITTLE, Torrington.

William Spittle, of Torrington, was born in Dudley, England, December 7, 1835. He came to America with his parents, arriving in New York in September, 1848, where his family took up their residence. He received a common school education in England and in this country. In April, 1850, the family moved to New London, this State. It was here that he met and married in 1859, Catherine S. Raymond, daughter of Captain Edmund Raymond, one of New London’s whaling captains. When the call for three months was made in 1861, Mr. Spittle had at that time been an active member for six years of the State militia, being sergeant of the Old City Guard. He was among the first to enroll his name, and was commissioned first lieutenant of Rifle Co. C, Second Regiment, Connecticut Volunteer Infantry, commanded by Colonel Alfred H. Terry. He took part with his regiment in the first battle of Bull Run, July 21, 1861, and was honorably discharged at the expiration of the term of service. After a few months at home his martial spirit was again aroused and he raised a company for three years, and was attached to the Twenty-first Regiment, Connecticut Volunteer Infantry, as captain of Co. F, under Colonel Arthur H. Dutton. In December, 1864, he was promoted to the rank of major and was honorably discharged with his regiment at Richmond in June, 1865, by reason of the close of the war. Major Spittle was one of the few that took part in the first battle of Bull Run and in the capture of Richmond. At the close of the war he moved with his family to Chicopee, Mass., living there until July, 1870, when he took up his residence in Torrington, and entered the employ of the Coe Brass Mfg. Co., in whose employ he has been ever since. Major Spittle has ever been very active in all affairs of his town, politically and otherwise. He is a member of L. W. Steele Post, G. A. R., Mohawk Tribe of Red Men, Harmony Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and of the Endowment Rank, K. of P., of which he has been secretary since its institution, and is a communicant member of Trinity Episcopal Church. His first vote was cast for Stephen A. Douglas for President in 1860; since then he has been an ardent Republican, and has filled the office of Justice of the Peace for the last sixteen years, and prior to the establishment of the Borough Court was Trial Justice for the town, only civil cases coming before him now. In 1890, Major Spittle met with a sad bereavement in the death of his wife. He was afterward married to Mary L. Tucker, of Seymour. He has one daughter living, who is the wife of Calhoun, of Torrington. In October, 1902, Major Spittle received the nomination of Representative to the General Assembly from the town of Torrington without opposition, and was elected by a large majority. He was a member of the Joint Committee on Military Affairs, where his experience was of value to the State in the bills that came before that committee. Major Spittle was elected by the present General Assembly to be Deputy Borough Judge of Torrington for two years, commencing July 1, 1903. In September, 1903, he was appointed inspector at the Soldiers’ Home at Noroton.
Berkley Charles Stone, of Middletown, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the Legislature. He is the son of Charles O. and Rose C. (Nettleton) Stone, and was born January 14, 1873. He is a graduate of the Middletown High School, class 1890. He married Annie M. Bragdon, daughter of George A. Bragdon, M. D., of Boston, Mass. Two children have come to brighten their home: Amy F., born March 18, 1896, and Charles B., born July 1, 1901. Mr. Stone is a successful contractor and builder, being a member of the firm of C. O. Stone & Son. He has been a valuable Democratic member of the City Council since 1902 and is a popular member of the Methodist Church, Masons, Odd Fellows and B. P. O. E. His ancestry on his father's side is traced to the first settlers of Guilford, and also to John Howland and Elizabeth Tilly, who came over to this country in the Mayflower. Mr. Stone was the efficient clerk of the Committee on Manufactures. His polite and accommodating qualities have made him universally popular.
HENRY C. THRESHER,
Stafford.

Henry C. Thresher, of Stafford, is the son of Thomas Hubbard and Palace (Underwood) Thresher, and is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He was born August 19, 1847, and received his education in the common schools of Stafford and at the Monson (Mass.) Academy. On December 1, 1875, he married Mary D. Wallace, daughter of William S. Wallace, of Holland, Mass. Mr. Thresher is a popular and successful farmer. He is an enthusiastic Republican and the highly respected treasurer of the Baptist Church. He takes a deep interest in the upbuilding of his town. He was a faithful member of the Committee on Labor.
Irvin N. Tibbals, of Chatham, is the son of William T. and Jane (Ames) Tibbals and is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He was born October 16, 1858, and was educated in the public schools of the town, supplemented by a year's course at Yale Business College. For three years he was engaged in the clothing business in Middletown and for fifteen years was interested in the clothing business in Hartford, being for three years a member of The Freeman, Tibbals Co., Asylum street. He has been president of the Tibbals Oakum Co., Chatham, since its re-organization in the spring of 1899. Mr. Tibbals is a popular member of Lafayette Lodge, F. and A. M., and Hartford Lodge, I. O. O. F. He is a wide-awake Republican and has done much valuable work for his party. He was a member of the House in 1884 and for six years a member of the Governor's Foot Guard. During the session he served on the Important Committee on Insurance and gained a large circle of strong friends at the Capitol.
CHARLES G. TRYON,
Bolton.

Charles G. Tryon, of Bolton, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly for two terms, 1897 and 1903. He is the son of Benjamin and Maria H. (Gay) Tryon, and was born October 25, 1869. His father is also one of the most popular and highly respected natives of Bolton. Mr. Tryon received his education in the public schools of Bolton. He is successfully engaged in agricultural pursuits and also connected in the gas business. He has always taken a deep interest in the welfare of his town and has creditably and faithfully filled several town offices. He is at present a member of the School Board, and has been chairman of the Democratic Town Committee since 1900. His ever genial and courteous qualities gained for him many close friends at the Capitol.
William Howard Wakelee, of South Britain (Southbury), is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the Legislature, and was born March 19, 1862. He is the son of J. Stanley and Elizabeth A. (Downes) Wakelee. His great-great-grandfather, Jonathan Law, was Lieutenant-Governor of Connecticut from 1725 to 1742 and Governor from 1742 to 1751. Mr. Wakelee received his education in the public schools of New Haven, supplemented by a course at Giles' famous private school. He married, May 16, 1894, Miss Martha Mitchell, daughter of Henry Mitchell, of South Britain. Mr. Wakelee has for many years been a popular, wide-awake and efficient public official. For twelve years he has been chairman of the Republican Town Committee, seventeen years a constable, ten years Registrar of Voters, several years Health Officer and Town Auditor and for nineteen years local representative of the Connecticut Humane Society. He was also census enumerator in 1890 and 1900. Mr. Wakelee is a prominent Mason of the State, being a member of Hiram Lodge, No. 18, F. and A. M., of Sandy Hook, High Priest of Hiram Chapter, of Sandy Hook, No. 1, R. A. M., member of Crusader Commandery, No. 10, Knights Templar, of Danbury, and Pyramid Temple, Mystic Shrine. He has been a highly respected member of the First Congregational Church of South Britain since 1884 and has always been an active and valuable worker for the upbuilding of his town and the Republican party. He has gained a flattering reputation as a local journalist. Through his ever polite, genial and accommodating manner he won the universal admiration of all his colleagues at the Capitol. He creditably filled the position of clerk of the important Committee on Appropriations. He is secretary of the Legislative Club of 1903.
David Palmer Walden, of Scotland, son of David P. and Sarah Z. (Remington) Walden, was born in Windsor Locks, October 7, 1848, and was educated in the public and private schools of his native town. He removed to Scotland, where he followed carpentering and the occupation of farming. Mr. Walden's first marriage was to Mary, the youngest daughter of Captain Benjamin Hovey, of Scotland. She died December 20, 1883, leaving a son, Benjamin H. Walden, a graduate of the Connecticut Agricultural College. His second marriage was to Sabra Perkins, the daughter of Judge Christopher Newton, of Ledyard, Conn., by whom he has one son, Louis Hart Walden, born February 26, 1890. Mr. Walden is a descendant of Edward Walden, of Wenham, Mass., whose son, John Walden, settled at Windham in 1708 on the farm now owned and occupied by Mr. Walden. He traces his ancestry to Walter Palmer, Rev. John Palmer, John Kingsley and Samuel Abbe. On his maternal side he is a descendant of William Tuttle, who came to New Haven with the Rev. John Davenport, a descendant of Major Moses Mansfield, who was an officer in the King Philip War in 1675. His ancestry includes the Coe, Munson, Mix, Turner, Thompson, Rowe, Sanford and other early colonial families. His ancestors served in the Pequot, French and Indian and the Revolutionary wars. Mr. Walden is a member and deacon of the Congregational Church of Scotland and a charter member of the Shetucket Grange, of which he has been master, overseer and treasurer. In politics he has always been a staunch Republican and has served his town as Grand Juror, member of Board of Relief and member of Town School Committee.
Robert J. Watts, of Washington, is a native of Litchfield, and was born January 31, 1858. He is the son of Adam and Nancy (Stewart) Watts and was educated in the public schools of the town. On March 18, 1889, he married Frances, daughter of Charles Morey, of Sharon. Three children have come to brighten their home: Charles, born February 15, 1890; Stewart, born January 22, 1892, and Mildred, born January 19, 1894. Mr. Watts served in several capacities during the construction of the Northern Pacific Railroad and was present when Henry Villard drove the golden spike. Since he has successfully conducted a general store at Washington Depot, and was postmaster during President Cleveland's last administration (1893-97). Mr. Watts is a highly respected member of the Congregational Church and an enthusiastic Democrat. He was Master of Rising Sun Lodge, No. 27, F. and A. M., in 1902, and treasurer for the fifteen years previous; also a member of Ousatonic Chapter, No. 33, R. A. M. His upright, genial and enterprising qualities have gained for him a large circle of friends.
Albert B. Wells, of Granby, is the son of Albert S. and Caroline (Booth) Wells, and was born in Enfield, August 14, 1855. He was educated in the Granby Central Select School and Eastman Business College. On October 22, 1884, he married Alveretta Holcomb, daughter of Alson Holcomb, of West Granby. Mr. Wells is a successful farmer and tobacco grower. He was Selectman in 1885 and has been Town Treasurer the past fifteen years. He is an influential member of the First Congregational Church of Granby, the Granby Grange and is treasurer of the Cossltt Public Library. He is a descendant of Governor Thomas Welles, who was the first State Treasurer of Connecticut. Mr. Wells was a Republican member of the Committees on Joint Rules and Capitol Furniture and Grounds. He has what he richly deserves—the respect, confidence and esteem of his fellow townsmen.
JOHN G. WILLOUGHBY,
East Granby.

John Gordon Willoughby, of East Granby, is an honored descendant of a prominent English family, which was founded by Lord Willoughby, who came to America in Colonial days, settling in Virginia. Mr. Willoughby was born in East Granby, January 8, 1867, commenced his education in the public schools of his native town and graduated from the Hartford Business College in 1885. His father, Gordon W., had the honor, in 1880, of being the first Republican Representative in the General Assembly from the town of East Granby; he died August 4, 1898. His mother, Miss Jennie M. Barnard, was one of Bloomfield's most talented daughters. Mr. Willoughby began his business career in his father's mill, where he remained until 1888, when he removed to Bloomfield, where he spent one year. In the spring of 1889 he located on the farm on Hatchet Hill (Tariffville), where he has since been successfully engaged in tobacco culture and general farming. He also conducts a prosperous flour and feed mill and was at one time engaged in the manufacture of lumber. On September 11, 1889, he married Nellie, the estimable daughter of Nathaniel and Jane (Clark) Healey, of Granville, Mass. They have been blessed with two children: Ward Coe, born December 12, 1893, and Bulah M., born June 30, 1900. Mr. Willoughby is a highly respected member of the Baptist Church and a recognized leader of the Republican party in East Granby. He was the nominee of his party for Representative in 1896, but withdrew in favor of George L. Viets. He gained many strong friends at the Capitol.
Oliver C. Jennings, of Fairfield, is a native of the town he has the honor to represent in the General Assembly. He is the son of Horace and Helen (Morris) Jennings, and was born August 28, 1863. His father is one of Fairfield's oldest and most respected citizens and for several years was the efficient First Selectman of the town. Mr. Jennings on April 10, 1889, married Sadie S., daughter of John Forsyth, of Fairfield. They have been blessed with four children: Amy, born March 9, 1890; Walter, born April 19, 1891, died August 16, 1891; Elsie, born May 15, 1894, and Ruth, born June 8, 1898. Mr. Jennings is a successful farmer and a staunch Republican. He has always taken a deep interest in the welfare of his town and was Town Treasurer in 1898-99 and Selectman from 1900 to 1903. He is a highly respected member of Pequonnock Lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F. He was a valuable member of the Committee on Fisheries and Game and won many kind friends among the solons at the Capitol.
THOMAS P. AITKIN
Manchester.

Thomas Potts Aitkin, of Manchester, is a native of Jedburgh, Scotland, and was born July 20, 1850. He is the son of Andrew and Sheriff (Potts) Aitkin. He came to this country in 1871, locating at Waterbury, where he lived about a year, then resided in Hartford for two years. He has been a resident of Manchester since 1874. He was employed by E. T. Carrier, at South Manchester, three years, and has been successfully engaged at Manchester in the tinning, plumbing and stove business since 1877. On April 30, 1874, he married Margaret Mahoney, daughter of Daniel and Mary Mahoney, who was born in London, Eng., January 15, 1857. Five children have blessed the union: Andrew C., born January 20, 1875; died August 30, 1886: Daniel, born October 11, 1877; John E., born May 16, 1879; James E., born September 14, 1883; Mary, born July 18, 1887. Mr. Aitkin is a staunch Republican and has always taken an active interest in town affairs. He has creditably filled the office of Chairman of the Eighth District School Committee, and has been a valuable member of the Board of Assessors. He is past commander of the Knights of Maccabees, and is highly respected and esteemed by a large circle of good friends. He had the honor of being nominated by acclamation by both political parties which speaks plainer than words as to his popularity.
George E. Hinman, of Windham, was born in Alford, Mass., May 7, 1870. His father, William C. Hinman, is a descendant of the family of that name which first settled in Litchfield County, and the ancestors of his mother, whose maiden name was Mary A. Gates, first settled in Norwich. Mr. Hinman spent his boyhood on his father's farm, and graduated from the Great Barrington High School in the class of 1888. He then engaged in newspaper work, being connected with the Berkshire Courier, the Willimantic Daily Herald, and the Willimantic Journal, of which latter paper he was for three years editor. This position he resigned in 1895 to study law, obtaining his legal education in the office of William A. King, now Attorney General, and the Yale Law School, and was admitted to the bar in March, 1899. He located in Willimantic, in which city he enjoys a successful practice. On September 26, 1899, he married Nettie P., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Williams, of Willimantic. Mr. Hinman has been active in Republican politics ever since attaining his majority and has served in several town and city offices. He was elected Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives of 1899 and was Clerk of the House of 1901, Assistant Clerk of the Constitutional Convention of 1902, and Clerk of the Senate of 1903, in all of which positions he served with marked ability and was deservedly popular with the members of those bodies. In 1902 he was chosen Secretary of the Republican State Central Committee, and as such rendered capable and valuable service in the succeeding campaign. He is also the County Health Officer for Windham County.
Rev. George William Phillips, Chaplain of the Senate, is the son of John and Emma (Eastman) Phillips, and was born in Chatham, Kent, England, June 9, 1867. He was educated in Queen's College, Cork, Ireland; Yale University, Bachelor in Divinity 1895 and has received from other colleges the degrees of M. A., 1899, Doctor in Divinity, 1900. On August 20, 1888, he married Isaiel Warren, daughter of Andrew T. and Nancy Strickland (Beers) Warren. Seven children have come to brighten their home: Alberta Louise, born July 20, 1889; Lillian, born December 8, 1890; George Warren, born June 15, 1892; Ruth, born November 25, 1894; Esther, born December 4, 1896; Allan Merwin Osborn, born October 9, 1898; John Henry, born December 4, 1901. Chaplain Phillips was ordained deacon in St. Peter's Church, Cheshire, by Bishop Williams on September 16, 1892, and was ordained priest in St. James' Church, Westville, by Bishop Williams, on October 21, 1893. He was rector of St. James' Church, Westville, from 1892 to 1896, assistant minister of St. Paul's Church, New Haven, from 1896 to 1901, and has been rector of St. James' Church, New Haven, since May 1, 1901. He was a private in Co. F, Second Infantry, C. N. G., from November 1, 1894, to November 1, 1897, and has been chaplain of Second Infantry, C. N. G., since May 30, 1899. He is a popular member of the Masons, Knights of Pythias and Heptasophs. Chaplain Phillips' pleasing qualities made him universally admired among the solons at the Capitol. His services as Chaplain were highly satisfactory and won for him a record of which he can well feel proud. He richly merits renewed honors.
Alfred Carleton Baldwin, of Shelton, Clerk of the House of Representatives, is the son of Herbert C. and Josephine H. (Jones) Baldwin, and was born in Beacon Falls, December 5, 1872. His father has had the honor of representing his town in the Legislature for seven sessions. Mr. Baldwin was educated in the Seymour High School and Yale Law School, graduating from the latter with the class of '94. He then studied law in the office of Wooster, Williams & Gager at Derby for a year, after which time he opened an office in Derby and has since successfully practiced law in that city. While he resided in Derby he was Secretary and later Chairman of the Republican Town Committee, and was City Attorney of Derby from July, 1899, to July, 1901, and Prosecuting Agent eight years. He is a member of the First Unitarian Church and Past Adjutant and is now Judge Advocate of the Connecticut Division, Sons of Veterans. On December 10, 1896, he married Emma R. Gillette, daughter of George L. and Rhoda (Terrill) Gillette. They have three children, one girl and two boys. Mr. Baldwin needs no words of commendation, as his successful career is a sufficient testimonial of his integrity, uprightness and efficiency. It was the universal saying at the Capitol in 1901 that as Assistant Clerk, Mr. Baldwin was a splendid example of the "right man in the right place," and as Clerk of the present session he won renewed commendations.
JOHN A. SPAFFORD,
Assistant Clerk of the House.

John Avery Spafford, of Bridgeport, Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives, is the son of Henry A. and Mary E. (Porter) Spafford, and was born in Lebanon, August 21, 1874, and removed to Bridgeport in 1897. He was educated in the Bacon Academy, Colchester, and was graduated from Yale Law School, class 1900. He was admitted to the Fairfield County bar in June, 1900, and has since engaged in the practice of law at Bridgeport. On June 30, 1898, he married N. Edith Phillips, daughter of Benjamin F. and Cordella Phillips. Mr. Spafford is a Justice of the Peace. He is an active and influential Republican and a highly respected member of the Congregational Church. In all matters relating to his town, he has ever taken a keen and abiding interest. As Assistant Clerk he was capable, courteous, kind and faithful. His pleasing qualities won for him the universal respect and admiration of the entire General Assembly. He richly merits continued honors.
Rev. William Henry Hayes, of Andover, Chaplain of the House of Representatives, was born in New York City, July 26, 1869. He is the son of Andrew C. and Cornelia (Pfeiffer) Hayes, and is a model example of what pluck, push and persistency can accomplish for a self-made man. He graduated with first honors and three gold medals from Pennington Academy, Pennington, N. J., class 1891, worked his way through Wesleyan University, Middletown, being night operator in the local telephone exchange, graduating with class of 1895. On November 1, 1898, he secured the pastorate of the Congregational Church at North Guilford and took a course at Yale Divinity School, finishing with class of 1901. In November, 1901, he became pastor of the Congregational Church at Andover, where he successfully officiated until his resignation this summer. He is a highly respected member of St. Albans Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Guilford. On June 27, 1895, he married Jessie May, daughter of Hubbard B. Manley, of Middletown. Two children have come to brighten their home: Earl Manley, born July 27, 1896, and Muriel, born May 14, 1898. His bright, genial and upright qualities made him universally respected and beloved at the Capitol.
Frank Edward Healy, Clerk of Bills, was born in the town of Windsor Locks, on November 8, 1869. He was graduated with honors from the Law School at Yale, in the class of '93 and during his course there took the Kent Club prize for oratory. In June, 1893, he was admitted to the bar, and has since practiced law in Hartford. He was Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives of '97, Clerk in '99, Clerk of the Senate in 1901, and Clerk of the Constitutional Convention in 1902. He is at present Chairman of the Republican Town Committee of Windsor Locks and a member of the Republican State Central Committee.
Frederick A. Scott, of Plymouth, Engrossing Clerk, is the son of Walter H. and Sarah (Granniss) Scott, and was born in Terryville, town of Plymouth, November 8, 1866. The Scott family is one of the oldest and most respected families of Litchfield County. Mr. Scott's father is also a native of Plymouth, represented the town in the General Assembly of 1876 and was a successful First Selectman for many years. The subject of this sketch was educated in the common schools and was graduated from the Hartford Public High School, class of '85; Yale College, class '89, and Yale Law School, class '91, receiving the degree of LL.B. cum laude. He was admitted to the bar in June, 1891, and has since been a rising young attorney of Hartford. His office is in the Hartford Trust Company's building, 750 Main street. Mr. Scott was a School Visitor of his town from 1892 to 1898, and has been a director of the Public Library since 1895. As the popular and efficient Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives in 1895, Clerk in 1897, Clerk of the Senate 1899, Clerk of Bills in 1901 and Engrossing Clerk in 1903, he won the universal respect and esteem of the members from all over the State.
Albert R. Chamberlain, of Meriden, Executive Secretary, is the son of Governor Abiram and Charlotte C. (Roberts) Chamberlain, and was born in Meriden, January 11, 1875. He was graduated from Sheffield Scientific School, Yale, in the class of 1897, and from the Yale Law School in the class of 1901. He was admitted to the New Haven County Bar, June, 1901, and for three years he has had his law office with George A. Fay, of Meriden. He has been clerk of the Meriden city and police courts since March 23, 1902, and a member of Common Council since 1900. Secretary Chamberlain is a staunch Republican, a member of the Congregational Church, the Home Club of Meriden, and the Graduates' Club of New Haven. He is a bright and popular young man. He is affable and obliging and these pleasing qualities have assisted in making him an ideal Executive Secretary.
Francis Stevenson, of Meriden, has had the honor to be appointed Superintendent of the Capitol for two successive terms. He is the son of Francis S. and Janet (Miller) Stevenson, and was born in Alva, Scotland, May 11, 1850. At the age of six he removed with his parents to Clinton, Mass., where he was educated in the public schools of the town. He came to Meriden in March, 1869, and conducted a clothing business until the summer of 1901. On August 20, 1874, he married Mary C. Linsley. They have one son: Howard Linsley, born June 12, 1876, and who graduated from Yale Scientific School in class of '97. Mr. Stevenson is one of the most popular and active Republicans of New Haven County. He has ever taken a deep interest in the upbuilding of his town, and has done much valuable work for his party. He is a prominent Mason, Knight Templar, and a member of Pyramid Temple; also a member of the Royal Arcanum.
John L. Wilson, of Suffield, assistant superintendent of Capitol, is the son of William L. and Ann (Allen) Wilson and was born in Thompsonville, July 14, 1848. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, including a course of study at the Connecticut Literary Institute. Mr. Wilson has always been a wide-awake Republican and has been a faithful and valuable worker for the party. He has been the successful chairman of the Republican Town Committee since 1876 and Registrar of Voters since 1886. In 1881 he served as messenger in the House of Representatives and had the honor of holding the position three consecutive years and was chosen for the office the fourth time in 1885. He was messenger in the Senate in 1895, '97, and '99. He was an active member of the House in 1886 and in 1897 and '98 was a deputy sheriff serving as Court officer of the Court of Common Pleas of Hartford County. In January 1899 he was appointed by Comptroller Grant assistant superintendent of Capitol, and has been re-appointed by the two succeeding comptrollers. He has held the position in a creditable and pleasing manner. Mr. Wilson is a member of Apollo Lodge, No. 59, F. and A. M. and of Gideon Granger Lodge, No. 62, K. of P. In March 1870 he married Edna J. Sikes, of Suffield. Two children have come to brighten their home: William J. and Minnie A. Mr. Wilson is widely and favorably known throughout the State.
Heman O. Averill, of Washington, Commissioner on Domestic Animals, was born in Washington, August 20, 1856, on the Averill homestead, the birthplace and residence of his lineal ancestors since 1746. He was educated in the public schools, Whittlesey Seminary and the scientific department of Oberlin College. He has held nearly all the local or town offices at one time or another. He was a member of the House during the famous deadlock session of 1891 and represented the Twentieth district in the Senate in 1895. In 1893 he helped to organize the Washington Feed & Supply Company, becoming its first secretary and treasurer. He has since been elected president, which position he now holds. Mr. Averill is past master of Washington Grange No. 11, P. of H., and Excelsior Pomona Grange No. 7, P. of H., also of Rising Sun Lodge, No. 27, F. & A. M. In 1898 he was elected Judge of Probate for the district of Washington, and he has been unanimously re-elected since, no nomination being made against him in 1900 or 1902. On July 1, 1899, he resigned the position of Paymaster-General, to accept the appointment of Governor Lounsbury as State Commissioner on Domestic Animals, which position he has since successfully filled. On October 20, 1880, he married Bertha W. Buckingham of Washington. Six children have blessed the union: Laura B., Ralph J., Clara W., Dorothy, H. Perry and Grace Julia.
Harry E. Back, of Killingly (Danielson), Labor Commissioner, was born July 8, 1869, in the town of Union. His early education was received in the common schools, and he prepared for college at the Hitchcock Free High School, Brimfield, Mass., from which he graduated in '88. He then attended the College of Liberal Arts of Boston University, where in 1892 he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. After graduating from college, he entered the newspaper field, serving as reporter on the Boston Globe, city editor of the New Hampshire Republican (Nashua), and then telegraph editor on same paper, and managing editor of the Worcester Evening Post. In the fall of '93 he entered the Boston University Law School, taking a two years' course, all the while working on the Boston Globe to make schooling expenses. The fall of '95 found him back at newspaper work again as editor of the Lowell, Mass., Mail, where he remained until July, '96, when he returned to the town of Union to recuperate. In the fall of '96 Mr. Back was elected to the Legislature from the town of Union, and during the session of '97 he made the acquaintance of parties who induced him to go to Danielson to open a law office. May 1, '97, he was appointed prosecuting attorney for the town of Killingly, an office he held by several reappointments until May 6, 1901. August 3, '97, he was appointed prosecuting agent for Windham County for a term of two years. Governor Lounsberry appointed Mr. Back Commissioner of Bureau of Labor Statistics of Connecticut in April, '98, for a term of four years. By the Legislature of 1901 he was appointed Judge of Town Court of Killingly for two years, the appointment taking effect May 6. By the Legislature of 1903 he was reappointed to the Killingly judgeship for a term of two years from the first Monday of May, 1903. On January 8, 1902, he married Ella Davenport Hutchins, a daughter of the late Dr. Samuel Hutchins and Ellen Wetherhead Hutchins. They have one son, Samuel Hutchins Back, born January 9, 1903.
George S. Godard, State Librarian, son of Harvey and Sabra (Beach) Godard, was born in Granby, June 17, 1865. He prepared for college at Wesleyan Academy, Wilbraham, Mass., where his library experience began. He received degree of B. A. from Wesleyan University in 1892, and degree of B. D. from Yale University in 1895. In college he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He was appointed Assistant State Librarian in August, 1898, and State Librarian, to succeed the late Charles J. Hoadly, LL.D., in November, 1900. On June 23, 1897, he married Miss Kate E. Dewey, of Granby. They have two children: George Dewey, born August 8, 1899, and Paul Beach, born February 17, 1901. Mr. Godard has been identified with the Frederick H. Cossitt Library, Granby, since its organization in 1890, and has been vice-president of the National Association of State Librarians, and of the Connecticut Library Association. He is a member of St. Mark's Lodge, No. 91, F. and A. M., of Granby, and Pythagoras Chapter, No. 17, R. A. M., Wolcott Council, No. 1, R. and S. M., Washington Commandery, No. 1, K. T., and Sphinx Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Hartford. Through his persistent efforts the State Library has been refurnished and is being rearranged in an up-to-date manner.
Charles Daniel Hine, of Hartford, Secretary of the State Board of Education, is the son of the late Rev. O. D. Hine, who was for 30 years pastor of the Congregational Church in Lebanon, and of Ellen Caroline Whittlesey Hine. He was born in Fair Haven, Vt., February 26, 1845. He graduated from Yale college in 1871, being a classmate of Charles Hopkins Clark of Hartford, and of Judge William K. Townsend of the United States circuit court. He studied law and graduated at the law school of Iowa State University and was admitted to the bar in that State. Returning to Connecticut in 1883 he became a resident of Newington, and in 1886, removed to New Britain where he was for six years a member of the school committee in that city. He has resided in Hartford since 1899. Secretary Hine was an educator of recognized ability before his removal to Connecticut. He was superintendent of the schools of Saginaw, Mich., from 1871 to 1874, and held the principalship of the High School in Omaha, Neb., from 1880 to 1883. He was superintendent of the schools in Norwich from 1874 to 1876. Secretary Hine has served as secretary of the State Board of Education since January 1, 1883. During the past twenty years he has wielded a distinctive influence in the educational field in Connecticut. The schools of the State have been wonderfully improved in important directions under his administration. He is an earnest advocate of town management of schools, of the consolidation system, of State examination for teachers, and of teachers' meetings in the towns of the State. He is chairman of the Connecticut public library committee and has held the position since the committee was organized in 1889. He is also a director of the public libraries in Derby and Ansonia. On September 29, 1899, Mr. Hine married Alice S. McQuaid of New Haven. He is a staunch Republican, and a member of Putnam Lodge, No. 46, F. & A. M., South Woodstock, and of Putnam Chapter, No. 41, F. & A. M., Putnam. Mr. Hine has been eminently successful in his school work, and has a wide circle of friends who admire him for his upright and progressive qualities.
Andrew F. Gates, of Hartford, Tax Commissioner, and Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee is the son of William F. and Ellen (Ford) Gates, and was born in Lebanon, October 22, 1862. His father was a prominent member of the House of Representatives in 1877 and 1883, and of the Senate in 1885. Mr. Gates is a graduate of Yale, class of '87, and of Yale Law School, class of '89. He was admitted to the bar in June, 1889, and has since successfully practiced law in Hartford. In 1889 and 1891 he was assistant clerk of the House of Representatives, was clerk in 1893, and clerk of the Senate in 1895. For eight years he was Prosecuting Agent of Hartford County, member of the Board of School Visitors of Hartford from 1892 to 1898, and Superintendent of Schools of Hartford three years, 1895-1898. On November 9, 1893, Mr. Gates married Alice Louise Welch. They have two children: Elizabeth Welch, born November 11, 1895, and Margaret Welch, born August 28, 1900. Mr. Gates' uprightness of character combined with honest and straightforward business principles have won for him the confidence of his townsmen and the public in general.
JAMES H. MACDONALD,
Highway Commissioner.

James H. MacDonald of New Haven, Highway Commissioner of the State of Connecticut, son of James Henry MacDonald, Sr., a noted landscape architect, and Anna Smith, was born in Albany, N. Y., February 16, 1851. His ancestors on his father's side came to this country from Scotland, while those on his mother's were among the early settlers of Lynn, Mass. Mr. MacDonald acquired his education in the Albany Academy, for many years one of the noted institutions of learning in the country. Subsequently he took up his residence in New Haven, where he has become an influential factor in both business and political affairs. He has been a successful landscape architect all his life, and has been president of the Connecticut Concrete Company since 1887. He served two years as a member of the New Haven Common Council, four years as one of the Board of Aldermen, being president of the board two terms, and as Chairman of the Republican Town Committee of New Haven from 1893 to 1899, a period of six years. He is now entering upon his fourth term as Highway Commissioner of the State, receiving his first appointment from Governor Coffin in 1895, his second appointment from Governor Cook, his third appointment from Governor Lounsbury which extended through the term of Governor McLean, and his fourth appointment from Governor Chamberlain. His present term of office is for four years from July 1, 1903. At the present time he has established for the State of Connecticut a reputation for road improvement second to no State in the country. In all these capacities Mr. MacDonald has displayed the highest ability and integrity, and gained for himself the confidence and respect of people of all classes throughout the State. As Highway Commissioner he has achieved an eminent reputation. Mr. MacDonald is a man of acknowledged ability, public spirited and enterprising, thoroughly identified with the affairs of his adopted State, and one of the prominent and influential leaders of the Republican party. He is a member of the Republican League of Connecticut, of the Young Men's Republican Club of New Haven, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of the Clan McLeod, of the Quinnipiac Club, of the Yale Conclave of the Order of Heptasophs, and of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, all of New Haven. He is also a prominent thirty-second degree Mason. Mr. MacDonald was married September 26, 1875, to Miss Anna Walsh, of Albany, N. Y., and their children are Grace, wife of Dr. Willis H. Crowe, of New Haven, Florence and Anna.
GEORGE L. McLEAN,
Inspector of Factories.

George L. McLean, of Ellington, Inspector of Factories, is the son of Charles and Octa (Strong) McLean, and a descendant on his father's side of ancestors who came to this country from the Island of Mull, off the north coast of Scotland, and settled in Windsor, about 1700. The sturdy Scotch characteristics which have distinguished his race, and which he developed as a youth, have brought him into prominence in his native State, and won for him a reputation in both business and political affairs. Mr. McLean was born in Manchester, on August 9, 1861 and received his education in the Rockville High School, at Fitch's Preparatory School in Norwalk and at Rickard's Commercial College in Boston, Mass. When seventeen years old he entered upon the active duties of life in a wool-scouring and carbonizing mill, where he remained one year. He then entered a woolen mill at Winchendon, Mass., and subsequently the American Mills in Rockville, and for seventeen years remained with the latter concern, holding positions in different departments and in the business office. In politics Mr. McLean is an ardent and consistent Republican, an acknowledged leader in local party councils and a man of great force of character and indomitable energy. He was appointed in 1894, Inspector of Factories and still holds that office, the duties of which he has discharged with great satisfaction. He is a public spirited progressive citizen, a man of broad and liberal attainments, and brings to the office of Factory Inspector a practical knowledge of factory life and requirements. These attributes have contributed materially to the successful manner in which he has administered the responsibilities of the position. On June 16, 1887, Mr. McLean married Mary, daughter of Alonzo Bailey, formerly agent of the Hockanum Mills, at Rockville. They have two daughters: Ruth B., born June 1, 1888 and Margaret S., born November 24, 1892.
JOHN G. MITCHELL,
Deputy Secretary of State.

John G. Mitchell, of Rockville, Deputy Secretary of State, was born in Sligo, Ireland, February 6, 1863. He is the son of Robert and Rebecca (O'Neill) Mitchell, and came to the United States in 1880, locating at Willimantic, where he resided until 1902. He studied law with Olin, Rives & Montgomery, and at the New York Law School in New York from 1891 to 1894, and in May, 1894, was admitted to the New York bar, and in March, 1895, to the Windham County bar. He was graduated from the Wesleyan University, Middletown, class 1891. On May 23, 1897, he married Edna L. Lasbury, daughter of James and Victoria (Parker) Lasbury, of Rockville. Three children have blessed the union: John G., Jr., born May 4, 1900, and Charles P. and James L. (twins), born August 7, 1901. Mr. Mitchell is a staunch Republican and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In January, 1899, he was appointed by Hon. Huber Clark, Chief Clerk in the office of Secretary of State and creditably filled the position until May 1, 1903, when he was promoted to the newly created office of Deputy Secretary.
JOHN B. NOBLE,
Dairy Commissioner.

John Bartlett Noble, of East Windsor, Dairy Commissioner, is the son of Almon and Mary Ann (Bartlett) Noble and was born in East Windsor, August 22, 1847. He was educated in the public schools and the East Windsor Hill High School. He is a staunch Republican and was the wide-awake Chairman of the Republican Town Committee for over fifteen years. He was a prominent member of the Legislatures of 1889 and 1893, serving as Clerk of the Agricultural Committee the former session and Chairman of the Temperance and Putnam Memorial Camp Committees the latter session. He is a member of the First Congregational Church of East Windsor, Oriental Lodge, No. 111, F. and A. M., and East Windsor Grange, No. 94. He has always taken a deep and active interest in the dairy and farming enterprises. On June 1, 1896, he had the honor of being appointed Dairy Commissioner of the State, and the fact alone that he has since been continued in the office speaks plainer than words as to his popularity and efficiency. He has been secretary and treasurer of the National Dairy and Pure Food Association since October 19, 1899, was president of the Connecticut Dairymen's Association in 1899-1900, and a director for several years, was the first Master and for three years Lecturer of East Windsor Grange and for two years was Master of the East Central Pomona Grange. On October 4, 1870, he married Catherine D. Sall, of South Windsor. As State Dairy Commissioner he brings to the office a useful equipment of experience, discriminating judgment and large comprehension and acquits himself to the large advantage of an important interest in agriculture and to the credit of the State.
William Scoville of East Haddam, Labor Commissioner, is a descendant of one of the oldest families of that town. His grandfather, Erastus Scoville, was born there November 30, 1798, and his father, Wm. W., June 27, 1834. William H., the subject of this sketch, is also a native of the town and was born July 7, 1857. His mother was Mary Jane Ufford. Mr. Scoville obtained his education in the public schools of East Haddam. His early employment was in the silver plating business. In 1881 he purchased a half interest in the meat business of G. W. Swan and successfully continued the business for several years. In 1890 Mr. Scoville became the proprietor of the well known Gelston House which he conducted for about a year, when he acquired control of the livery stable connected with the hotel; which he sold out after his appointment as County Commissioner in July, 1895. He creditably served as County Commissioner until July 15, 1901, when he resigned, having at different periods served as secretary and treasurer. Mr. Scoville first held public office in 1882, when he was appointed as Constable at East Haddam. He was later made a Deputy Sheriff under John I. Hutchinson, and served fourteen years in the same capacity under Sheriff Thomas S. Brown. He has been brought into contact with some of the most desperate criminals that have come into the toils of the law, and he has always displayed a bravery and courage that has made him a valuable officer and a trusty assistant of the Sheriff. He served his town as Tax Collector in 1888, and again in 1891. Mr. Scoville has always been a staunch Republican and is a member of Middlesex Lodge, No. 3, I. O. O. F.; of Columbia Lodge, F. & A. M., and of Burning Bush Chapter, No. 29, of Essex, of the latter. He was a popular and valuable member of the Legislature of 1899, faithfully serving on the Committee on Railroads. On April 3, 1898, Mr. Scoville married Hattie W. daughter of Odgen and Henrietta (Clark) Brooke. They have two children; William Ogden born March 31, 1891, and George Ephraim, born April 27, 1894. Mr. Scoville is one of the best known men of Middlesex County and is universally admired for his upright and progressive qualities. He is a staunch Republican and has been a wide-awake member of the Republican Town Committee for ten years. On July 1, 1903, he was appointed by Governor Chamberlain Labor Commissioner, succeeding Harry E. Back of Killingly.
Carnot O. Spencer, Commissioner of School Fund, was born in the town of Saybrook (now Essex), May 27, 1832; educated in the common schools, Hill's Academy and the Connecticut Literary Institute at Suffield. At an early age he entered the store of his father, whom he afterward succeeded in business. He later served the town of Essex as Selectman, Assessor, member of the School Board, Town Clerk and Judge of Probate; and was its Representative in the General Assembly, on the Republican side, in the trying times of 1861-62, and again in 1878-79. In 1869 he was in the Senate, representing the old Nineteenth Senatorial district. He was also extensively engaged in the settlement of estates, as administrator, executor, and in other capacities. In 1880, having closed out his business in Essex, he went to New Haven, and while engaged there he was tendered the position of chief clerk in the School Fund office under Commissioner Olney, upon the duties of which office he entered July 1, 1881. Removing to Hartford soon after, the capital city has since been his home. He continued in the chief clerkship until August 1, 1898, a period of over seventeen years, when he was appointed, and afterwards elected, to the Commissionership, which position he now holds. Mr. Spencer has been for many years a member and officer of the Royal Arcanum and is treasurer of the Connecticut Prison Association. Upon his removal to Hartford, he united with the First Baptist Church of that city, and for some years has been one of its deacons, and he is also president of the Connecticut Baptist Convention. In 1855 he was married to Miss Marie J. Fuller, of Suffield. In his official capacity Mr. Spencer has formed extensive and intimate acquaintances with prominent citizens of all portions of Connecticut, and he is universally regarded by them as an ideal public functionary and a most worthy citizen and gentleman.
Theron Upson, of Berlin, Insurance Commissioner, is the son of Russell and Adeline (Tuttle) Upson and was born in Wolcott, October 14, 1835. He was educated in the Berlin Academy and the New Britain High School. When the call to arms resounded throughout the land in the early days of the Civil War, Mr. Upson, then a young man of 25 years of age, enlisted in the First Connecticut Light battery and served with distinction and notable bravery throughout all the dark and perilous days of '61-65. The last year of the war he was appointed Acting Assistant Adjutant-General on the staff of the Chief of Artillery, 25th Army Corps. He was honorably discharged when the Battery was mustered out at Richmond, Va., June 11, 1865. On May 23, 1866, he married Margaret Upson of Berlin. In 1891 he was appointed chief clerk by Insurance Commissioner O. R. Fyler, and successfully filled the position until June 1, 1902, when he was appointed Insurance Commissioner by Governor McLean, to fill the unexpired term of Commissioner E. L. Scofield. On July 1, 1903, he was re-appointed by Governor Chamberlain for a term of four years. Mr. Upson is a staunch Republican, a highly respected member of the Congregational church, and the first treasurer and now a director of the Berlin Savings bank. He is also an influential member of the Robert O. Tyler Post No. 50, G. A. R. He creditably represented the town of Berlin in the Legislature of 1891. He is deeply interested in everything towards, or pointing to the enhancement of the interests of his fellow man, and has the confidence and esteem of the citizens throughout the State.
COMMITTEES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 1903.

Agriculture—Chairman, Senator Ayling. House Chairman, Mr. Savage, Mansfield. Clerk, Mr. Blakeman, Stratford; Messrs. Barnard, Bloomfield; Stockwell, Simsbury; Porter, Thompson; Hawley, New Hartford; Fawthrop, Cromwell; Barber, Union.

Appropriations—Chairman, Senator Pattison. House Chairman, Mr. Lake, Hartford. Clerk, Mr. Wakelee, Southbury; Messrs. Atwood, Plainfield; Fisk, Branford; Greenman, Norwich; Libby, Putnam; Persons, Winchester; Koper, Willington.

Assignment of Seats (House)—Chairman, Mr. Mayberry, East Hartford; Messrs. Kibbe, Ellington; Parker, Vernon.

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Contested Elections (House)—Chairman, Mr. Smith, Hartford; Clerk, Mr. Bowen, Naugatuck; Mr. Dann, Norwalk.

Contingent Expenses (Senate)—Chairman, Senator Gates; Senators Nash and Noone.

Contingent Expenses (House)—Chairman, Mr. Atwood, Plainfield; Clerk, Mr. Seymour, Windsor Locks; Messrs. Beardsley, Huntington.

Education—Chairman, Senator Tracy. House Chairman, Mr. Maples, Norwich. Clerk, Mr. Clark, Bethany; Messrs. Potter, Woodstock; Gelston, Sherman; Welles, Newington; Nettleton, Killingworth; Case, Barkhamsted; Towne, Union.

Engrossed Bills—Chairman, Senator Pattison. Senator Noone. House chairman, Mr. Grant, South Windsor; clerk, Mr. Connor, Enfield.

Executive Nominations—Chairman, Senator Graham; Clerk, Senator Hamilton; Senator Ney.

Expositions—Chairman, Senator Wilcox. House Chairman, Mr. Cross, Waterbury; Clerk, Mr. Robbins, Rocky Hill; Messrs. Parker, Windsor; Slaney, Branford; Donovan, Huntington; Mattoon, Plymouth; Ives, Goshen; Sweeney, Derby.

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Labor—Chairman, Senator Bradstreet. House Chairman, Mr. Miles, New Britain; Clerk, Mr. Gorman, Danbury; Messrs. Harrison, North Branford; Williams, Pomfret; Davis, Redding; Ely, Harwinton; Whiting, Ansonia; Thresher, Stafford.

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Military Affairs—Chairman, Senator Jacobs; House Chairman, Mr. Griswold, Gullford; Clerk, Mr. Abbott, Ridgefield; Messrs. Splittle, Torrington; Ely, Harwinton; Reddy, Winchester; Newton, Durham; Bidwell, Saybrook; Donovan, Norwalk.

New Counties and County Seats—Chairman, Senator Fuessenich; House Chairman, Mr. Hoxhie, Southington; Clerk, Mr. Lanphere, Waterford; Messrs. Bird, Naugatuck; Gregory, Wilton; Hamlin, Sharon; Brown, Tolland; Pope, Oxford; Thompson, North Stonington.

Public Health and Safety—Chairman, Senator Page; House Chairman, Mr. Ford, Washington; Clerk, Mr. Guernsey, Thomaston; Messrs. Hubbard, Wethersfield; Backus, Colchester; Burton, Trumbull; Convers, Eastford; Bacon, Middletown; Hutchinson, Ansonia.

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Railroads—Chairman, Senator Snell. House Chairman, Mr. Downes, Wallingford; Clerk, Mr. Mason, Bristol; Messrs. Stiles, North Haven; Noyes, Lebanon; Davis, Preston; Killingly, Clerk, East Haddam; Eaton, Mansfield.

Roads, Bridges and Rivers—Chairman, Senator Wilcox. House Chairman, Mr. Brown, Norfolk. Clerk, Mr. Elliott, Farmington; Messrs. Norton, East Windsor; Bennett, Cheshire; Bradford, Montville; Hatch, New Fairfield; Evans, Brooklyn; Clark, Hadam.
Rules (Joint)—Chairman, Senator Ayling; House Chairman, Mr. Banks, Fairfield; Clerk, Mr. Forestelle, Warren; Messrs. Woodruff, Litchfield; Clark, Orange; Wells, Granby; Armstrong, Franklin; Denison, Chester; Alling, Berlin.

Rules (Senate)—Senator Noone.

Rules (House)—Chairman, Mr. Banks, Fairfield; Clerk, Mr. Cooper, New Britain; Mr. Woodruff, Litchfield.

Sale of Lands—Chairman, Senator Davis. House Chairman, Mr. Penn, Prospect; Clerk, Mr. Bennitt, New Milford; Messrs. Le Febvre, Avon; Murphy, Hartford; Purell, Salem; Richmond, Canterbury; Jones, Essex; Hobbelen, Burlington.

School Fund—Chairman, Senator McNeil. House Chairman, Mr. Dann, Norwalk; Clerk, Mr. Loomis, Granby; Messrs. Willoughby, East Granby; Bentley, Bozrah; Culver, Beacon Falls; Bradley, Weston; Allyn, Goshen; Candfield, North Canaan.

Senate Appointments—Chairman, Senator Jacobs. Clerk, Senator Nash; Senator Chaffee.

State Library—Chairman, Page. House Chairman, Mr. Hendey, Torrington; Clerk, Mr. Gruener, New Haven; Mr. Russell, Suffield.

State Prison—Chairman, Senator Cook. House Chairman, Mr. Evans, Bethel; Clerk, Mr. Deming, Hampton; Messrs. Smith, Milford; Driggs, Barkhamsted; Page, Kent; Spencer, Haddam; Brainard, Glastonbury; Warren, Lyme.

Temperance—Chairman, Senator Gates. House Chairman, Mr. Tyler, East Haven; Clerk, J. Mussell, Hebron; Messrs. D'Arsey, Enfield; Champlin, Stonington; Cave, Darlen; Dunn, Windham; White, Colebrook; Parmelee, Killingworth.

Unfinished Business—Chairman, Senator Fuessenich; House Chairman, Mr. Lambert, New London; Clerk, Mr. Atkin, Manchester; Mr. Penn, Prospect.

Woman Suffrage—Chairman, Senator Nash. House Chairman, Mr. Clark, Orange; Clerk, Mr. Bissonette, Bridgeport; Messrs. Ryder, Plainville; Smith, Stonington; Sherwood, Easton; White, North Stonington; Post, Westbrook; Lockwood, Woodbury.

Reception to Senator Platt (Special)—Chairman, Senator Cook; Senators Ney, Ayling, Page and Fuessenich. House Chairman, Mr. Lake, Hartford; Clerk, Senator Page; Messrs. Bicknell, Meriden; Ford, Washington; Pratt, East Hartford; Atwood, Plainfield; Fisk, Branford; Greenman, Norwich; Brewster, Griswold; Todd, Redding; Hoffman, Danbury; Brown, Norfolk; Bennitt, New Milford; Bacon, Middlesex; Conklin, Chatham; Houghton, Putnam; Palmer, Coventry; Loomis, Vernon.

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THE CONNECTICUT CONSTITUTIONAL
CONVENTION OF 1902.

JANUARY 1, 1902 TO MAY 15, 1902.

On January 1, A.D. 1902, by virtue of an act of the General Assembly of
the State of Connecticut, passed at its January session, A.D. 1901, a Conven-
tion of Delegates representing the several Towns of the State met in the Hall
of the House of Representatives at the Capitol in Hartford at the hour of
twelve o'clock, noon.

The roll of the Convention was called as follows:

HARTFORD COUNTY.

Hartford—Charles Hopkins Clark.
Avon—Robert J. Holmes.
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Bristol—Noble E. Pierce.
Burlington—E. Samuel Gillette.
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East Hartford—Percy S. Bryant.
East Windsor—How'd A. Middleton.
Enfield—Thompson S. Grant.
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Granby—Theodore M. Maltbie.
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Simsbury—Joseph L. Bartlett.
Southington—Marcus H. Holcomb.
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Suffield—Charles C. Bissell.
West Hartford—William H. Hall.
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Branford—Louis A. Fisk.
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Lisbon—Calvin D. Bromley.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Bridgeport—Daniel Davenport.
Danbury—Eugene C. Dempsey.
Bethel—Howard H. Woodman.
Brookfield—Elmer H. Northrop.
Darien—Thaddeus Bell.
Easton—Edgar G. Jennings.
Fairfield—John Hoyt Perry.
Greenwich—R. Jay Walsh.
Huntington—Sturgis Whitlock.
Monroe—Edwin C. Shelton.
New Canaan—Benjamin P. Mead.
New Fairfield—Homer L. Wanzer.

WINDHAM COUNTY.

Windham—Eugene S. Boss.
Putnam—Byron D. Busbee.
Ashford, Thomas F. Fitts.
Brooklyn—Henry M. Evans.
Canterbury—Levi N. Clark.
Chaplin—William J. Groesbeck.
Eastford—Monroe F. Latham.
Hampton—William H. Burnham.

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Litchfield—Charles B. Andrews.
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New Milford—Charles M. Beach.
Barkhamsted—Hubert B. Case.
Bethlehem—Abner P. Hayes.
Bridgewater—Marcus B. Mallett.
Canaan—John H. Belden.
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Coshen—Henry G. Wright.
Harwinton—Clarence M. Ely.
Kent—Irwin J. Beardsley.
Morris—Lyman W. Whittlesey.

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Middletown—D. Ward Northrop.
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Clinton—Charles A. Pelton.
Cromwell—S. Coe.
Durham—Frederick P. Hubbard.
East Haddam—Albert E. Purple.

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Montville—Joseph F. Killeen.
North Stonington—Jas. F. Brown.
Old Lyme—Joseph S. Huntington.
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Waterford—Charles A. Gallup.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Newtown—Charles H. Northrop.
Norwalk—Asa B. Woodward.
Ridgefield—William O. Seymour.
Sherman—George A. Barnes.
Stamford—Schuyler Merritt.
Stratford—Henry P. Stagg.
Trumbull—Ormel Hall.
Weston—Frank Gorham.
Westport—Rufus Wakeman.
Wilton—H. E. Chichester.

WINDHAM COUNTY.

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Woodstock—George Austin Bowen.

LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

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Norfolk—William O'Connor.
North Canaan—Charles W. Camp.
Plymouth—Charles H. Smith.
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Saybrook—Frederick L'Hommedieu.
Westbrook—Theodore D. Post.
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The vote on the proposed Constitution was as follows:

Those voting Yea were:


Windham County—Messrs. Boss, Bugbee, Evans, Groesbeck, Burnham, Somes, Milner, Waldo, Chandler.


Middlesex County—Messrs. G. M. Clark, Markham, Brothwell, Pelton, Blake, Terrill, W. H. Smith.


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Fairfield County—Messrs. Davenport, Woodman, Sanford, Gorham.

Windham County—Messrs. Fltts, L. N. Clark, Latham, Elliott, Bowen.


Middlesex County—Messrs. D. W. Northrop, Coe, Hubbard, Purple, Nettleton, Hale, L’Hommedieu, Post.

Tolland County—Messrs. Newcomb, Charter, Porter, Storrs.

Those absent and not voting were:

Hartford County—Messrs. Redfield, Vance, Sperry.


Fairfield County—Messrs. R. J. Walsh, Whitlock.

Windham County—Mr. Hunt.

Litchfield County—Messrs. Kellogg, Wright, Beardsley, Whittlesey, Camp, Kirby, Fyler, Curtiss.

Tolland County—Messrs. Hawkins, Keeney.

Whole number voting. 144
Necessary for passage. 85
Those voting Yea, 94
Those voting Nay, 50

The following is the proposed Constitution as adopted:
PROPOSED CONSTITUTION OF CONNECTICUT.

SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORS AND REJECTED JUNE 16, 1902.

PREAMBLE.

The people of Connecticut, acknowledging with gratitude the providence of God which has permitted them to enjoy a free government, and desiring to perpetuate the liberties, rights, and privileges which they have derived from their ancestors, do, after careful consideration, ordain and establish the following constitution and form of civil government.

Article First.

DECLARATION OF RIGHTS.

Section 1. All men, when they form a social compact, are equal in rights: no man or set of men is entitled to exclusive public emoluments or privileges; and no citizen shall be deprived of any right or privilege or exempted from any obligation on account of race or color.

Section 2. All political power is inherent in the people; all free governments are founded on their authority, and instituted for their benefit; and they have at all times an indefeasible right to alter their form of government in such manner as they may think expedient.

Section 3. The exercise and enjoyment of religious profession and worship shall be forever free, and without discrimination; but the right hereby declared and established shall not excuse acts of licentiousness, or justify practices inconsistent with the peace and safety of the State.

Section 4. No preference shall be given by law to any religious sect or mode of worship.

Section 5. No law shall be passed to curtail or restrain the liberty of speech or of the press, but every person may freely speak, write, and publish his sentiments on any subject, being responsible for the abuse of that liberty.

Section 6. In all criminal prosecutions for libel the truth may be given in evidence, and the jury shall have the right to determine the law and the facts, under the direction of the court.

Section 7. No person shall be arrested, detained, or punished, except in cases clearly warranted by law.
Section 8. All prisoners shall, before conviction, be bailable by sufficient sureties, except in case of capital offenses where the proof is evident or the presumption great; and the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus shall not be suspended, except by the General Assembly, and only when, in case of rebellion or invasion, the public safety may require it.

Section 9. Excessive bail shall not be required nor excessive fines imposed.

Section 10. All courts shall be open, and every person for any injury done to him in his person, property, or reputation, shall have remedy by due course of law, and right and justice administered without delay.

Section 11. The right of trial by jury shall remain inviolate.

Section 12. In all criminal prosecutions the accused shall have the right to be heard by himself and by counsel; to demand the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted by the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process to obtain witnesses in his favor; and, in all prosecutions by indictment or information, a speedy public trial by an impartial jury. He shall not be compelled to give evidence against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law. No person shall be holden to answer for any crime, the punishment of which may be death or imprisonment for life, without presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in the land or naval forces, or in the militia when in actual service in time of war or public danger. No person shall, for the same offense, be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb.

Section 13. The people shall be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and possessions from unreasonable searches or seizures. No warrant to search any place, or to seize any person or thing, shall issue without describing them as nearly as may be, nor without probable cause supported by oath or affirmation.

Section 14. No person shall be attainted of treason or felony by the General Assembly.

Section 15. The property of no person shall be taken for public use without just compensation therefor.

Section 16. The citizens have a right peaceably to assemble for their common good, and to apply to those invested with the powers of government for redress of grievances, or for other proper purposes, by petition, address, or remonstrance.

Section 17. Every citizen has a right to bear arms in defense of himself and the State.

Section 18. The military shall at all times be in strict subordination to the civil power.

Section 19. No soldier shall, in time of peace, be quartered in any house without the consent of the owner; or in time of war, except in the manner prescribed by law.

Section 20. No hereditary emoluments, privileges, or honors shall be granted or conferred.

Article Second.

OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF POWERS.

The powers of government shall be divided into three distinct departments, to wit, legislative, executive, and judicial, and each of said departments shall be confided to a separate magistracy.
Article Third.

OF THE LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Section 1. The legislative power shall be vested in two distinct houses or branches; the one to be styled the Senate, the other the House of Representatives, and both together the General Assembly. The style of their laws shall be: Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened.

Section 2. There shall be a stated session of the General Assembly, to be holden at Hartford biennially, on the Wednesday following the first Monday of the January next succeeding the election of its members. The person administering the office of governor may, on special emergencies, convene the General Assembly at said place at any other time, and in case of danger from the prevalence of contagious disease in said place, or from other causes, he may convene said assembly at any other place in this State.

Section 3. On and after the Wednesday after the first Monday of January, 1903, the House of Representatives shall consist of electors residing in towns from which they are elected, and for the purpose of apportioning representatives among the towns they shall be classified as follows:

Each town having a population of less than two thousand shall be entitled to one representative.
Each town having a population of two thousand and less than fifty thousand shall be entitled to two representatives.
Each town having a population of fifty thousand and less than one hundred thousand shall be entitled to three representatives.
Each town having a population of one hundred thousand or more shall be entitled to four representatives, and to one additional representative for each fifty thousand of population in excess of one hundred thousand.

The population of each town shall be determined by the census taken by authority of the United States next before the election of representatives is held.

Each town entitled to more than two representatives shall be divided into districts, and each district shall elect only one representative. The districts shall be composed of contiguous territory, and the General Assembly shall have regard to the population of the several districts into which the town is divided, so that the same may be as nearly equal as possible.

Districts when once established shall not be changed until the session of the General Assembly next after the completion of a census of the United States, which General Assembly may alter them if found necessary to preserve a proper equality of population in said districts.

Section 4. On and after the Wednesday after the first Monday of January, 1903, the Senate shall consist of forty-five members, chosen by districts. One senator shall be elected from each district, and at the time of such election he shall be an elector in such district.

The General Assembly, at the session held next after the adoption of this Constitution, shall divide the State into forty-five districts for the choice of senators, which districts shall always be composed of contiguous territory; and in forming them regard shall be had to population, so that the districts shall be in that respect as nearly equal as possible under the limitations of this section, but in forming such districts the town of Greenwich may be joined with territory separated from it by the town of Stamford.

No town shall be divided except for the purpose of forming more than one district wholly within such town, and no county shall contain less than two districts.

The districts when established as herein provided shall not be changed until the session of the General Assembly next after the completion of a census of the United States, which General Assembly may alter them if found necessary to preserve a proper equality of population in said districts; after which said districts shall not be altered, except at the session of the General Assembly next after the completion of a census of the United States; but no changes shall be at any time made except in accordance with the principles hereinbefore established.

Section 5. The secretary, treasurer, and comptroller shall canvass the votes for senators publicly. The person in each district having the greatest number of votes for senator shall be declared to be elected from such district. The return of votes and the result of the canvass shall be submitted to the House of Representatives, and also to the Senate, on the first day of the
session of the General Assembly. If no choice is made by the electors in any district in consequence of an equality of votes the House of Representatives shall designate, by ballot, which of the candidates having such equal number of votes shall be declared to be elected; but each house shall be the final judge of the elections and qualifications of its own members.

Section 6. A general election for governor, lieutenant-governor, secretary, treasurer, comptroller, and members of the General Assembly shall be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday of November, 1902, and biennially thereafter, and for attorney-general quadrennially. The General Assembly shall enact laws regulating and prescribing the manner of voting at all elections, and also providing for the election of representatives at some time subsequent to the general election in those towns where the electors at the general election have failed to elect the representatives to which such towns shall be by law entitled, and for the election of senators or representatives if a vacancy occurs in either office.

Section 7. The members of the General Assembly shall hold office for two years from the Wednesday following the first Monday of the January next succeeding their election, and until their successors are duly qualified.

Section 8. The House of Representatives, when assembled, shall choose a speaker, clerk, and other officers. The Senate shall choose a president pro tempore, a clerk, and other officers, except the president. A majority of each house shall constitute a quorum to do business; but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day, and compel the attendance of absent members in such manner and under such penalties as each house may prescribe.

Section 9. Each house may determine the rules of its own proceedings, punish members for disorderly conduct, and, with the consent of two-thirds, expel a member, but not a second time for the same cause, and shall have all powers necessary for a branch of the Legislature of a free and independent State.

Section 10. Each house shall keep a journal of its proceedings, and publish the same when required by one-fifth of its members, except such parts as, in the judgment of a majority, require secrecy. The yeas and nays of the members of either house shall, at the desire of one-fifth of those present, be entered in the journal.

Section 11. The senators and representatives shall be privileged from arrest on civil process during and for four days before and after any session of the General Assembly; and for any speech or debate in either house they shall not be questioned in any other place.

Section 12. The debates of each house shall be public, except on such occasions as, in the opinion of the house, require secrecy.

Section 13. The compensation of members of the General Assembly shall be five hundred dollars in full for the term for which they are elected. The General Assembly may, in addition to such compensation, provide by law for the transportation of each member or member-elect by public conveyance, by the most convenient route, between his home station and the place of meeting during the session of the General Assembly to which he was elected; and until the General Assembly shall by law take action thereon the comptroller shall provide for such transportation.

Article Fourth.

OF THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Section 1. The supreme executive power of the state shall be vested in the governor. No person who is not an elector of this state and who has not arrived at the age of thirty years shall be eligible to that office.

Section 2. The lieutenant-governor shall possess the same qualifications as are herein prescribed for the governor.

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Section 3. The compensation of the governor and lieutenant-governor shall be established by law, and shall not be changed so as to take effect until after the election which shall next succeed the passage of the law establishing said compensation.

Section 4. The governor shall be commander-in-chief of the military and naval forces of the state, except when such forces are called into the service of the United States.

Section 5. He may require information in writing from the officers in the executive department on any subject relating to the duties of their respective offices.

Section 6. He may adjourn the General Assembly to such time as he shall think proper, not beyond the day of the next stated session, in case of a disagreement between the two houses respecting the time of adjournment.

Section 7. He shall, from time to time, give to the General Assembly information of the state of the government, and recommend to its consideration such measures as he shall deem expedient.

Section 8. He shall cause the laws to be faithfully executed.

Section 9. He may grant reprieves after conviction in all cases, except those of impeachment, until the end of the next session of the General Assembly, but no longer.

Section 10. All commissions shall be in the name and by authority of the State of Connecticut; shall be sealed with the state seal, signed by the governor, and attested by the secretary.

Section 11. Every bill which shall have passed both houses of the General Assembly shall be presented to the governor. If he approve, he shall sign and transmit it to the secretary, but if not, he shall return it to the house in which it originated, with his objections, which shall be entered in the journal of the House, and it shall proceed again to consider the bill. If after such reconsideration that house shall again pass the bill, it shall be sent, with the objections, to the other House, which shall also again consider it. If passed by that house, it shall become a law. In such cases the votes of both houses shall be determined by yeas and nays, and the names of the members voting for and against the bill shall be entered in the journal of each House respectively. If the bill be not returned by the governor within ten days, Sundays excepted, after it has been presented to him, it shall be a law, in like manner as if he had signed it; unless the General Assembly, by adjournment, prevents its return, in which case it shall not be a law. In a bill for the appropriation of money containing several items the governor may approve or disapprove any of such items, in which case the bill shall become a law as to those items approved by him, and those disapproved by him shall be returned to the General Assembly with his objections, and they shall not become a part of the law unless passed by both houses in the manner aforesaid; but no items except such as are returned by the governor within the time aforesaid may be disapproved by him, unless the General Assembly by adjournment prevents such return.

Section 12. The lieutenant-governor shall, ex officio, be president of the Senate, and have, when in committee of the whole, the right to debate, and, when the Senate is equally divided, to give the casting vote.

Section 13. In case of the death, resignation, refusal or inability to serve, or removal from office, of the governor, or of his impeachment, or absence from the State, the lieutenant-governor shall administer the office of governor until another be chosen and duly qualified or until the governor impeached or absent shall be acquitted or return.

Section 14. In the event of the death, resignation, refusal or inability to serve, removal from office, impeachment, or absence from the State, of both the governor and lieutenant-governor, the president of the Senate pro tempore shall, in like manner, administer the office of governor, until he be superseded by a governor or lieutenant-governor; and if there be no presi-
dent pro tempore of the Senate and the Senate be not in session, the secre-
tary shall convene the Senate for the purpose of choosing a president pro
tempore.

Section 15. The secretary shall have the custody of and shall safely
keep the public records and documents, and shall record the acts, resolu-
tions, and orders of the General Assembly, and perform all such duties as
may be prescribed by law. He shall be the keeper of the seal of the State,
which shall not be altered.

Section 16. The treasurer shall receive all money belonging to the State
and disburse it only as directed by law. He shall pay no warrant or order
for the disbursement of public money until it has been registered in the
office of the comptroller.

Section 17. The comptroller shall adjust and settle all public accounts
and demands, except grants and orders of the General Assembly. He
shall prescribe the mode of keeping and rendering all public accounts. He
shall, ex officio, be one of the auditors of the accounts of the treasurer. The
General Assembly may assign to him other duties in relation to his office,
and to that of the treasurer, and shall prescribe the manner in which his
duties shall be performed.

Section 18. The governor, lieutenant-governor, secretary, treasurer, and
comptroller shall hold their respective offices for two years, and the attor-
ney-general for four years, from the Wednesday following the first Monday
of the January next succeeding their election, and until their successors are
duly qualified.

Section 19. Sheriffs shall be elected in the several counties quadrennial-
ly, on the Tuesday after the first Monday of November, and shall hold office
for the term of four years from the first day of June following their elec-
tion. They shall become bound, with sufficient sureties, to the treasurer
of the State, for the faithful discharge of the duties of their office, in the
manner prescribed by law. They shall be removable by the General As-
sembly. If the sheriff of any county shall die, resign or be removed from
office by the General Assembly, the governor may fill the vacancy occa-
sioned thereby, until the same shall be filled by the next quadrennial election.

Article Fifth.

OF THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Section 1. The judicial power of the State shall be vested in a supreme
court of errors, a superior court, and such inferior courts as the General
Assembly may, from time to time, ordain and establish, the powers and juris-
diction of which courts shall be defined by law.

Section 2. Justices of the peace shall be chosen by the electors in the
several towns. The time and manner of their election, the number in each
town, and the period for which they shall hold their office, shall be pre-
scribed by law. They shall have such jurisdiction in civil and criminal cases
as the General Assembly may prescribe.

Section 3. The judges of the supreme court of errors and of the supe-
rior court shall, upon nomination by the governor, be appointed by the Gen-
eral Assembly in such manner as shall by law be prescribed. They shall
hold office for the term of eight years, but may be removed by impeachment,
and shall be removed by the governor on the address of two-thirds of each
house of the General Assembly. If any vacancy occurs in the supreme court
of errors or superior court, when the General Assembly is not in session, the
governor may appoint a Judge to fill such vacancy until the rising of the
next General Assembly, or until the vacancy is filled by the action of the
governor and the General Assembly as hereinbefore provided. No Judge
or Justice of the peace shall be capable of holding such office after he ar-
rievs at the age of seventy years. Any judge of the supreme court of errors
or superior court who shall be retired from office on account of age shall
thereupon become a State referee, whose powers and duties shall be defined
by law. The judges of the supreme court of errors and of the superior court
shall receive a stated compensation to be fixed by the General Assembly.

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Said compensation may be increased, but shall not be diminished during their terms of office.

Section 4. Judges of such courts of common pleas, and of such district courts, as are or may be established, shall be appointed for a term of six years, in the manner provided in section three for the appointment of judges of the supreme court of errors and superior court. If any vacancy occurs in the office of judge of such courts, when the General Assembly is not in session, the governor may appoint a judge to fill such vacancy until the rising of the next General Assembly, or until the vacancy is filled by the action of the governor and the General Assembly as hereinafter provided. Judges of such city courts, police courts, borough courts, and town courts, as are or may be established, shall be appointed for a term of two years.

Section 5. Judges of probate shall be chosen quadrennially, at the general election, by the electors residing in their respective districts. They shall hold office for four years from the Wednesday after the first Monday of the January next succeeding their election.

Section 6. The General Assembly may ordain and establish a court or tribunal, composed of not less than three judges of the superior court, to review and pass upon errors of fact, or of law, or both.

Article Sixth.

OF ELECTIONS AND ELECTORS.

Section 1. At the general election for the choice of State officers, members of the General Assembly, and such other officers as now are or hereafter may be prescribed, the presiding officers shall receive the votes of the electors, which shall be by ballot, either written or printed, or by voting machine authorized by law, and shall count and declare them in the presence of the electors. When such votes have been so received and counted, duplicate lists of the persons voted for, and of the number of votes given for each, shall be made and certified by the presiding officer; one of which lists shall be deposited in the office of the town clerk within three days, and the other, within ten days after said election, shall be mailed or delivered under seal to the secretary, with an indorsement indicating the contents thereof. The votes so returned shall be counted, canvassed, and declared by the secretary, treasurer, and comptroller, within the month of November. The vote for secretary shall be counted, canvassed, and declared by the treasurer and comptroller only; the vote for treasurer shall be counted, canvassed, and declared by the secretary and comptroller only; and the vote for comptroller shall be counted, canvassed, and declared by the secretary and treasurer only. A fair list of the persons voted for and number of votes given for each, together with returns of the presiding officers, shall be made by the secretary, treasurer, and comptroller, and laid before the General Assembly on the first day of the next stated session thereof. In the election for governor, lieutenant-governor, secretary, treasurer, comptroller, and attorney-general, the person found by the General Assembly, in the manner herein provided, to have received the greatest number of votes for each of said offices respectively, shall be declared by said assembly to be elected. If two or more persons shall be found to have an equal and the greatest number of votes for any of said offices, then the General Assembly, on the second day of its session, by joint ballot of both houses, shall proceed without debate to choose said officer from a list of the names of the persons found to have an equal and the greatest number of votes for said office. The General Assembly shall by law prescribe the manner in which all questions concerning the election of the above-named officers shall be determined.

Section 2. All persons who at the time of the adoption of this constitution are electors shall continue such, subject to its provisions and the laws of the State.

Section 3. Every male citizen of the United States who shall have attained the age of twenty-one years, who shall have resided in this State for one year next preceding, and in the town in which he may offer himself to be admitted to the privileges of an elector at least six months next preceding the time he may so offer himself, and shall be able to read in the English language any article of the constitution or any section of the statutes.
of this State, and shall sustain a good moral character, shall, on taking such oath as may be prescribed by law, become an elector.

Section 4. The privileges of an elector shall be forfeited by a conviction of bribery, forgery, perjury, dueling, fraudulent bankruptcy, theft, or other offense for which an infamous punishment is inflicted. The General Assembly may, by vote of two-thirds of the members of each House, restore the privileges of an elector to those who have forfeited them by a conviction of crime.

Section 5. Every elector shall be eligible to any office in this State, unless otherwise provided in this Constitution.

Section 6. The selectmen and town clerk of the several towns shall decide on the qualifications of electors, at such times and in such manner as may be prescribed by law.

Section 7. Laws shall be made to support the privilege of free suffrage, prescribing the manner of regulating and conducting meetings of the electors, and prohibiting, under adequate penalties, all undue influence therein, from power, bribery, tumult, or other improper conduct.

Section 8. The electors shall be privileged from arrest, on civil process, during their attendance upon, and while going to, and returning from, any election of State officers or members of the General Assembly.

Article Seventh.

OF RELIGION.

Section 1. It being the duty of all men to worship the Supreme Being, the great Creator and Preserver of the universe, and their right to render that worship in the mode most consistent with the dictates of their consciences, no person shall by law be compelled to join or support, or be classed with, or associated to, any congregation, church, or religious association. Every person now belonging to such congregation, church, or religious association shall remain a member thereof until he shall have separated himself therefrom in the manner hereinafter provided. Each and every religious society or denomination shall have and enjoy the same and equal powers, rights, and privileges, and may support and maintain its ministers or teachers, and may build and repair houses for public worship by a tax on its members only, to be laid by a major vote of the legal voters assembled at a society meeting duly warned and held, or by funds obtained in any other lawful manner.

Section 2. If any person shall choose to separate himself from the religious society or denomination to which he may belong, and shall leave a written notice thereof with the clerk of such society, he shall not be liable for any expenses thereafter incurred by said society.

Article Eighth.

OF EDUCATION.

Section 1. The charter of Yale College, as modified by agreement with the corporation thereof, in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly passed in May, 1792, is hereby confirmed.

Section 2. The fund called the school fund shall remain a perpetual fund, the interest of which shall be inviolably appropriated to the support and encouragement of the public or common schools throughout the State, and for the equal benefit of all the people thereof. No law shall be made authorizing said fund to be diverted to any other use than the encouragement and support of public or common schools, among the several school societies or districts, as justice and equity shall require.

Article Ninth.

OF IMPEACHMENT.

Section 1. The House of Representatives shall have the sole power of impeachment.
Section 2. All impeachments shall be tried by the Senate. When sitting for that purpose, the senators shall be on oath or affirmation. No person shall be convicted without the concurrence of two-thirds of the senators present. When the governor is impeached the chief justice shall preside.

Section 3. The governor and all other executive and judicial officers shall be liable to impeachment; but judgments in such cases shall not extend further than to removal from office and disqualification to hold any office of honor, trust, or profit under this State. The person convicted shall, nevertheless, be liable to indictment, trial, and punishment according to law.

Section 4. Treason against the State shall consist only in levying war against it, or adhering to its enemies, giving them aid and comfort. No person shall be convicted of treason except on the testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act, or on confession in open court. No conviction of treason, or attainder, shall work corruption of blood or forfeiture.

Article Tenth.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Section 1. Members of the General Assembly and all officers, executive and judicial, shall, before they enter on the duties of their respective offices, take the following oath or affirmation, to wit:

You do solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be,) that you will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Connecticut, so long as you continue a citizen thereof; and that you will faithfully discharge, according to law, the duties of the office of.............to the best of your abilities. So help you God.

Section 2. No judge of the supreme court of errors, or of the superior court, no member of Congress, no person holding any office under the authority of the United States, no person holding the office of secretary, treasurer, comptroller, or attorney-general, no sheriff or sheriff's deputy, shall be a member of the General Assembly.

Section 3. No member of the General Assembly shall receive any civil appointment in this State, or to the United States Senate, from the governor, the governor and Senate or from the General Assembly, or either branch thereof, during the term for which he shall have been elected.

Section 4. No act of the General Assembly changing or discontinuing a probate district shall be valid unless approved by a major vote of the electors residing in the town, or parts of towns, to be added to or taken from said district or discontinued as a district.

Section 5. The General Assembly shall not authorize any municipality to issue bonds or debentures for any purpose except to take up an outstanding issue of bonds or other form of indebtedness, unless the act authorizing such issue shall provide for submitting to the electors of such municipality the question whether such issue shall be made: and no such issue shall be made unless the same is approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 6. Neither the General Assembly, except as provided in section three of article fifth, nor any county, city, borough, town, school district, or other municipality, shall pay or grant any extra compensation to any public officer or employee, to take effect during the continuance in office of any person whose salary might be increased thereby, or increase the pay or compensation of any public contractor above the amount specified in the contract.

Section 7. No county, city, town, borough, or other municipality, shall subscribe to the capital stock of any railroad corporation, or become a purchaser of the bonds of, or make donation to, or loan its credit, directly or indirectly, in aid of, any such corporation; but nothing herein contained shall affect the validity of any bonds or debts incurred under existing laws, or prohibit the General Assembly from authorizing any town or city to protect by additional appropriations of money or credit any railroad debt contracted prior to the amendment of the Constitution adopted October, 1877.
Section 8. Each town shall annually or biennially, as the electors of the town may determine, elect selectmen, and such officers of local police as the laws may prescribe.

Section 9. A statement of all receipts, payments, funds, and debts of the State shall be published from time to time, in such manner and at such periods as shall be prescribed by law.

Section 10. The rights and duties of all corporations shall remain as if this Constitution had not been adopted, with the exception of such regulations and restrictions as are contained in this Constitution. All existing inferior courts shall continue until abolished by law. All judicial and civil officers now in office shall continue therein until their terms of office expire, or until they resign, or are removed from office according to law. All military officers shall continue to hold and exercise their respective offices until their terms of office expire, or until they resign, or are removed according to law. All laws not contrary to, or inconsistent with, the provisions of this constitution, shall remain in force until they expire by their own limitation, or are altered or repealed by the General Assembly in conformity with this Constitution. The validity of all bonds, debts, and contracts, and all suits, actions, and rights of action, both in law and equity, shall continue as if no change had taken place.

Section 11. This Constitution shall take effect upon its adoption by the electors and shall then supersede the preceding Constitution, except that the present General Assembly shall continue for its original term.

Article Eleventh.

OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

A majority of either house of the General Assembly may propose amendments to this Constitution, which amendments shall be continued to the next General Assembly, and be published with the laws which may have been passed at the same session; and if a majority of the members elected to each house, at the next General Assembly, shall approve the amendments proposed, by yeas and nays, said amendments shall be transmitted, by the secretary, to the town clerk in each town in the State, who shall present them to the electors thereof, for their consideration, at an electors' meeting, legally warned and held for that purpose; and if it shall appear, in a manner to be provided by law, that a majority of the electors present at such meeting has approved such amendments, they shall become a part of this Constitution.

Article Twelfth.

OF CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS.

No call for a Constitutional Convention shall be submitted to the people unless the General Assembly, by a major vote in each House, provide for such submission, and no Constitutional Convention shall be called unless it shall receive a major vote of the registered electors of the State.

The Convention at 5:10 o'clock p. m., May 15, 1902, adjourned sine die.
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