

# MENOMINEE RANGE HISTORY – BIOGRAPHIES – MEMORIAL RECORD OF THE NORTHERN PENINSULA OF MICHIGAN – 1895

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**REV. HONORATUS BOURION**, pastor of St. Ann's Catholic Church, **Menominee**, Michigan, was born in Lorraine, France, June 1, 1840. His parents, **Francis and Margaret (Duroc) Bourion**, were both natives of Lorraine, and both are now deceased. The father was by occupation an architect, and in 1830 was a Captain in the National Guards. In their family were seven children, six of whom are living, namely: **Josephine**, a resident of Colorado; **Leonora**, also of Colorado; **Adelaide**, Negaunee, Michigan; the subject of this sketch, and **Edward and Alcid**, both of Ohio.

When he was seven years of age Mr. Bourion was sent to Paris to be educated, and remained there until he attained his majority. He then came to America and that same year, 1861, was ordained at **Sault de Sainte Marie** by **Bishop Baraga**, now deceased. Immediately after his ordination he was sent to **Negaunee** to organize that parish. He was the first priest at that place and remained there eleven years, doing much effectual work. It was through his instrumentality that the first church at Negaunee was built; and he not only thoroughly organized that church, but he also established Catholic churches at **Ishpeming** and **Clarksburg**, Michigan, his work covering a large field and being attended with no little difficulty. In 1872 Rev. Bourion went still further west and settled in Central City, Colorado, where he spent six years, during that time building a church and academy there. In the meantime his youngest brother was ordained a priest at Paris, France, for the diocese of Cincinnati, Ohio, and our subject was induced to meet his brother in Cincinnati. Soon after his arrival in Ohio, he accepted a position as pastor at Bellefontaine, that State, and remained

there twelve years. While in that city he repaired the church and built a brick schoolhouse. He was then called by the bishop of this diocese to his old field of labor, and was assigned the work of dividing the congregation at Ishpeming, the French from the English, remaining at **Ishpeming** two years. This division satisfactorily completed, he was sent to **Iron Mountain** to do the same kind of work. At the latter place he made three congregations, – French, English and Italian – and remained in that city two years and a half. The bishops next, in 1893, sent him to take charge of the French congregation at **Menominee**, where he is now located. This church, St. Ann's, was organized in 1886, by **Father Latelleir**. Two other pastors, **Rev. Rousseau** and **Rev. Pelisson**, both now deceased, served the charge previous to the advent of Rev. Bourion. The church property is valued at \$30,000, and the congregation is the largest in the city, no less than 500 families being represented in it. There is a parochial school in connection with the church, taught by the Sisters of St. Agnes, three teachers being employed. During his residence here, Rev. Bourion has liquidated the church debt. He himself has \$25,000 invested in church property.

Besides his regular pastorate work, Rev. Bourion is laboring in other fields. He is Bishop's Consulter, Attorney General of the Diocese, Examiner of the Clergy, and Dean of the counties of Menominee and Dickinson. He is also a writer of some note, frequently furnishing valuable articles for publication. While in Ohio, he made a speech in favor of pensioning every soldier who was honorably discharged. This speech met with great favor, a copy of it was sent to Washington, District of Columbia, and he had the pleasure of

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receiving the thanks of Congress for the same. [pages 257-258]

**A.J. [ANDREW JACKSON] BOYINGTON**, proprietor of the Boyington Hotel, **Iron River**, Michigan, is one of the popular and well-known landlords in this section of the country. By his excellent business ability, his genial hospitality and his many estimable traits of character, he is especially fitted for the business in which he is engaged. Some personal mention of his life is appropriate here, and is as follows:

A.J. Boyington was born in Belfast township, Allegany county, New York, September 30, 1841. His parents, **Asahel and Esther (Sanford) Boyington**, both natives of Vermont, were married in New York State and for a time lived in Allegany county. In 1842 they came west to Wisconsin and located in Jefferson county. The father was by trade a stone-mason and bricklayer. He helped to build the first brick block erected in the now prosperous city of St. Paul. He lived to the advanced age of eighty-three years, and his good wife lived to a still greater age, she being ninety-four at the time of her death. They had a family of five sons and four daughters, all of whom are living. All of the sons were in the Civil war. The subject of our sketch is the youngest son and next to the youngest of the family. He was about a year old at the time of their removal west, and in Wisconsin he was reared, receiving his education in the common schools. He remained at home until he was eighteen years of age, when he bought his time, paying his father \$200 for the same.

When the great war between the North and the South came on, our young friend had not yet attained his majority, but he was one of the first to enter the ranks which went out in protection of the Union. He

enlisted in 1861, at White Water [*sic* – *Whitewater*], Wisconsin, in Company H, Thirteenth Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry, as a private, and with his command went South, where he participated in many of the principal engagements of the war. In 1864 he veteranized in the same company and regiment. November 2, 1864, while near Huntsville, Alabama, he had the misfortune to lose his left arm, it being shot off by a bushwhacker. He was then in hospital for some time. After receiving an honorable discharge from the service, he returned to his home in Jefferson county, Wisconsin.

The war over, Mr. Boyington engaged in farming in Jefferson county, and was thus occupied for two years. In 1868 he bought a hotel in Hebron, Wisconsin, which he ran until 1870 and then sold it. About 1872 he went to Montana, where for three years he was engaged in prospecting for gold, returning to Wisconsin in 1875. He was married in 1875 and that same year located in **Menominee**, Michigan, where he engaged in business and where he resided for a period of eight years. In 1883 he made another move, this time to the far West, and for one year made his home in Seattle, Washington. At the end of that time he returned to Menominee; went shortly afterward to **Iron Mountain**, being one of the first settlers in the town and remaining there three years; and his next and last move was to **Iron River**. Here he built a large hotel, which soon after went up in flame, and, it being uninsured, he was left heavily in debt. He was not discouraged, however, and with renewed energy he set about the work of rebuilding his hotel, determined to liquidate all claims and again secure a sure footing. In his efforts to do this he has met with signal [*sic* – *singular*] success. To-day [*sic* – *Today*] he owns a fine hotel, comprising forty-five

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rooms, furnished and equipped throughout in first-class style; has in connection with his hotel a livery establishment; and also owns a farm of 160 acres, eight acres of which are improved, and he is not in debt to any one *[sic – anyone]*.

Mr. Boyington was married in 1875 to Miss **Lefa Wait**, a native of Waukesha county, Wisconsin, and they have one son, **Philip L.**, at home.

A veteran of the late war, Mr. Boyington is, of course, a member of the G.A.R., his membership being in Lyon Post, in Menominee, Michigan. *[pages 477-478]*

**E.F. [ELWIN FAYETTE] BROWN**, superintendent of the **Pewabic mine**, and a resident of **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, dates his birth in Washington county, New York, August 23, 1861. He is a son of **O.F. Brown**, also a native of that county and by occupation a farmer, and grandson of **William D. Brown**, who was born in Ireland and came with his parents to this country when a child. O.F. Brown married Miss **Frances Brown**, a native of Vermont and a daughter of **Gardner Brown**, also a native of the Green Mountain State. They became the parents of two children, **E.F.** and **Permelia**. Miss Permelia Brown is now one of the popular and successful teachers of Iron Mountain.

Mr. E.F. Brown spent the first sixteen years of his life at his native place, receiving his education in the common schools. In 1879 he came West to Marinette, Wisconsin, and for one year was employed as clerk in a general store at that place. The following year he came to the **Menominee Range**, as clerk of the **East Vulcan mine**, at **Vulcan**, Michigan. He was in charge of the surface and explorations of this mine from 1881 until the spring of 1887, and in 1887 was appointed

superintendent of the **Pewabic mine**, which position he has since held. During the past year (1894) 674 men were employed at this mine, and the amount of iron ore mined was 304,009 tons – the largest output of all mines in the range. Mr. Brown is also superintendent of the **Keel Ridge mine**, which however is now closed. This mine is located one mile east of the **Pewabic mine**.

Mr. Brown was married March 9, 1887, to Miss **Emma Hasking**, a native of Michigan and a daughter of **William T. and Elizabeth Hasking**. They have four daughters, namely: **Muriel, Ione, Lucille** and **Elizabeth**.

Politically, Mr. Brown affiliates with the Democratic party. During 1886 and '87 he served as Supervisor of the township of Norway, that being before the town was organized, and for four years he has served as Alderman of the city of Iron Mountain, representing the Fourth ward. In Masonic circles he is prominent and active. He is Past Master of Quinnesec Lodge, No. 362, and is also a member of Iron Mountain Chapter and Hugh McCurdy Commandery, F. & A.M. As an enterprising and public-spirited man he ranks with the leading citizens of Iron Mountain. *[pages 258-259]*

**W.J. BROWN**, Clerk of **Iron county**, was born in Greenville, Lower Canada, July 11, 1857, a son of **John and Lausa (Engelson) Brown**, natives also of that place, the former of English and Irish descent, and the latter of English descent. They now reside near Green Bay, Wisconsin. Their twelve children, nine sons and three daughters, are all living, and the youngest is now nineteen years of age.

W.J. Brown, the eldest son and the third child in the above family, moved with his parents to Green Bay, Wisconsin, when twelve years of age. In 1876 he suffered

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the loss of his left limb in a sawmill, and he then taught school in Wisconsin for three years. Locating in **Iron River**, Michigan, in 1882, Mr. Brown embarked in the mercantile business, but one year afterward he became a real-estate dealer. In 1885 he was appointed Probate Judge of Iron county, continuing in that position until January 1, 1887, and during that time he also served as Justice of the Peace and in other minor offices. He was re-elected Probate Judge in the fall of 1889, and held that office for the following four years. He was then made County Clerk, and re-elected to the position in 1894. In political matters, Mr. Brown is a staunch [*sic – staunch*] Republican, and is one of the most active and influential workers for his party in the county.

He was married in 1889, to **Susan**, a daughter of **August Wallin**, of Swedish descent. They have two children, – **Mabel L.** and **William A.** In his social relations, Mr. Brown is a member of the K. of P. and the A.O.U.W. [pages 635-636]

**RICHARD C. BROWNING**, County Clerk of **Dickinson county**, Michigan, is one of the highly respected citizens of **Norway**.

Mr. Browning was born in Cornwall, England, and was reared and educated there. His father, **James Browning**, a native of Devonshire, England, and a miner by occupation, came to America many years ago and was mining boss in the **Norway mine**. Richard C. attended school until he was fifteen years of age. Then he accepted a position as bookkeeper in the wholesale and retail store of **Bullen Brothers**, at Truro, in Cornwall, where he remained until 1881, the time of his coming to America. After a sojourn of six weeks with his sister in Dover, New Jersey, he

came west to Michigan and secured employment in the mining camps at **Norway**. Later he served as night timekeeper for the **Menominee Mining Company**, next as assistant bookkeeper in their office, then as cashier of their store at **Quinnesec**, and finally was made general bookkeeper at **Norway**, in which latter position he served until November, 1891, when he resigned. Nine months previous to this time he had formed a partnership with **C.A. Lindahl** and **J.E. Anderson**, under the firm name of **Browning, Lindahl & Company**, for the purpose of conducting a general merchandise business, and in this they have since continued, their operations being attended with success. Mr. Browning was one of the organizers of the **Norway Banking Company**, which afterward sold out to the **First National Bank of Iron Mountain**.

Fraternally, he is identified with the F. & A.M. and the I.O.O.F., and he is also a member of the William Pitt Lodge, Sons of St. George. Politically, he is in harmony with the principles advocated by the Republican party. He is now serving his second term as County Clerk, in this position, as elsewhere, his service being characterized by strict fidelity.

Mr. Browning was married in August, 1890, to Miss **Emma Hosking**, and they have three children. [page 220]

**J.W. [JAMES W.] BURBANK**, Commander of the G.A.R. Post, of **Iron Mountain**, was born in Albany, New York, June 30, 1846. His father, **Robert G. Burbank**, was a native of Massachusetts, was a piano-maker by trade, and followed that occupation for Boardman & Gray, of Albany, New York. The mother of our subject, *nee* **Mary Ann Silverd**, was a native of Montpelier, Vermont. They were

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the parents of six children, namely: **Edward S., Albina D., Joseph W., Robert C., Sidney** (deceased), and **Emily** (deceased).

J.W. Burbank, the subject of this sketch, remained in his native city until six years of age, when he was adopted by his uncle, **Joseph Ward**, of Randolph, Columbia county, Wisconsin. In 1862, at the age of sixteen years, he enlisted as a drummer boy in Company H, Seventeenth Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry, and served three years and two months, receiving his discharge at Goldsborough, North Carolina. Mr. Burbank was taken sick at the battle of Corinth, Mississippi, was sent to Memphis, Tennessee, and two months afterward to St. Louis, where he remained until the capture of Vicksburg. Joining his regiment at Natchez, Mississippi, he participated in Sherman's march to the sea.

After returning from the war our subject resided in Albany until 1868, and then returned to his old home in Wisconsin, his uncle having died in the fall of 1861. In the spring of 1873 Mr. Burbank secured the position of clerk in the store of N. Ludington at Marquette, Wisconsin, and in the fall of 1880 was engaged by the same firm to run the Pembina Farm Hotel, located forty miles above the mouth of the Menominee river. From the fall of 1880 until the spring of 1882 he resided on his own farm at **Stephenson**, Michigan, was then engaged in the piano and organ business in Marquette until the spring of 1884, followed the sewing-machine business at Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, until the fall of 1887, from that time until the fall of 1891 was employed as a traveling salesman, worked in a marble shop in Fond du Lac until July, 1892, and since that time has been engaged in the furniture and undertaking business in **Iron Mountain**.

Politically, Mr. Burbank allies himself with the Republican party. In his social relations, he has filled all the chairs in the G.A.R. post, and is now serving his third term as Commander of the P. O'Connell Post, No. 426, Department of Michigan, G.A.R.

July 2, 1876, Mr. Burbank was united in marriage with **Amanda P. Annas**, a native of New York, taken by her parents to Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, when four years of age. To this union have been born four children, – **Robert G., Etta M., Bertie O., and Nettie P.** [pages 546-547]

**HARRY L. BUSHNELL.** – The “art preservative of all arts” is one whose devotees are almost invariably men of much intellectual force and business sagacity, and no exception to this rule is to be noted in the case of the subject of this brief review, who is publisher of the *Delta*, a weekly newspaper published in the little city of **Gladstone**, Delta county. His journalistic policy has been shown to be progressive and aggressive, and his association with the printing and publishing business has been one marked by ability and usefulness. He began his education as a manipulator of the classic quill in the office of the *Escanaba Tribune*, being only eleven years of age at the time when he essayed initiation into the mysteries of washing rolls, assorting “pi,” and duly inspecting to his sorrow the minute insects which, according to the mythology of the craft, are ever said to be lurking between open columns of wet type, awaiting the glance of the novice. The boy made rapid progress in his work and was advanced as his ability justified. The *Tribune* was edited by **Charles D. Jewell** at the time our subject began his apprenticeship, but about four years later it was succeeded by the *Iron Port*. Young

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Bushnell remained with the *Tribune* until 1880, when he went to **Quinnesec**, Michigan, and for one year acted as manager of the *Menominee Range*, published at that point. He then returned to the office of the *Iron Port*, and was there retained as foreman until the *Delta* was removed from that city to **Gladstone**, since which time he has been connected with this flourishing newspaper. He was one of the proprietors of the *Delta* from 1887 to 1889, when he disposed of his interest therein to his copartner, **Charles E. Mason**, its present proprietor.

Mr. Bushnell is by training and education a Republican. His father was a Democrat, but of this fact our subject was not apprised until he had formulated his own opinions and cast his first vote.

Mr. Bushnell was born in Clinton county, New York, on the 31st of July, 1861, the son of **Alaric M. Bushnell**, who was an expert mechanic and who was employed in the Rogers Brothers' rolling-mill and nail factory at Au Sable Forks, New York. The maiden name of our subject's mother was **Jane Lathrop**. Her father came to the upper peninsula of Michigan in 1864 and settled at **Marquette**, to which place Mrs. Bushnell brought her family in 1867, remaining there two years, after when she removed to **Escanaba**, Delta county, and there reared her children. Her first-born was **Mrs. Sarah L. Chase**, now deceased; the second is **Mrs. W.S. Tyrrell**, of **Escanaba**; and the only other child is our subject. Alaric Bushnell was the father of two children by a previous marriage, namedly: **James J. Bushnell**, now a resident of Brooklyn, New York; and **Mrs. Hattie Stafford**, of Peru, same State [*sic – state*].

The marriage of Harry L. Bushnell was solemnized at **Escanaba**, November 17,

1881, when he was united to Miss **Nellie E. Rossiter**, a daughter of **Richard Rossiter**, who is now a resident of Tower, Minnesota, where, as a skilled mechanic, he holds preferment as boss carpenter for the Minnesota Iron Company. Mrs. Bushnell has one brother, **John Rossiter**, a resident of Duluth, Minnesota. Our subject and his wife are the parents of three children: **Mabel, Sam and Blanche**.

In his fraternal relations Mr. Bushnell is identified with the Maccabees, Modern Woodmen of America, the Good Templars and the Keeley League. [*pages 353-354*]

**ESQUIRE YOUNG CAMPBELL**, Justice of the Peace and Notary Public, **Iron River**, Michigan, is one of the highly respected citizens of this place.

He was born in Sussex county, England, January 25, 1825, son of **Robert and Mary (Rainey) Campbell**, both natives of England, where they passed their lives and died, each dying at the age of sixty-six years. Robert Campbell was a farmer. He and his wife were the parents of thirteen children, – seven sons and six daughters, – twelve of whom reached maturity.

In his native land the subject of our sketch spent the first twenty years of his life, receiving there a good education. He is a graduate of the academy at Lewis, Essex county. Early in life he directed his attention to surveying, and when he was nineteen he was employed on railway survey work in Wales. In 1855 he came to America and joined his brother **Robert**, who was the chief engineer on the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad. Together they surveyed the railroad to Green Bay, reaching that point in 1862; coming thence by boat to **Masonville**, Michigan, they made a preliminary survey there the same year; in 1865 he located and built the

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railroad from **Escanaba** to **Negaunee**. In 1866 he went from **Escanaba** to Oshkosh, Wisconsin, where he joined his brother, with whom he was associated in the building of what is known as the Belt Railroad to the Acodata Lumber Mills. This road was owned by his brother from 1866 until 1892, the year of his death. After helping to build this road, Mr. Young Campbell was for a time employed in surveying on the Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad in Iowa, and he was for some years engaged in the lumber business at Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, and at Sharon, that State [*sic – state*], having a mill at the former place and a lumber-yard [*sic – lumberyard*] at the latter [*sic – the latter*].

In 1882 Mr. Campbell became identified with **Iron River**. He was County Surveyor of **Iron county** in 1885-6, being the first to fill this office here and receiving his appointment from the Governor. Since 1886 he has been Justice of the Peace, Notary Public and Village Clerk, and he has filled various other local offices.

Mr. Campbell was married January 13, 1868, to Miss **Lora E. Austin**, daughter of **Judge A.A. Austin**, one of the most prominent men of Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Fraternally, Mr. Campbell has been identified with the Masonic fraternity since 1857; politically, he is a staunch [*sic – staunch*] Republican, and religiously, a member of the Episcopal Church. [pages 563-564]

**REV. D. CLEARY**, pastor of the **St. John the Baptist Church**, English Catholic, **Menominee**, Michigan. This is the oldest church organization on the Menominee river in Michigan. It was organized by **Rev. Martin A. Fox.**, who served as its pastor until the year 1874, when he was succeeded by **Rev. O.**

**Comtois**. After him came successively the following named pastors: **Revs. P. Menard, F. Eis, Fabianus Pawlar, F. Hiliard, Fabianus Pawlar** (who served a second time), **T.J. Atfield, Leteliar, A. William Geers, M. Faust** and **D. Cleary**. Rev. Mr. Cleary has been in charge since March 3, 1892, and his pastorate has been marked by signal [*sic – singular*] success. The church has made many improvements upon its property and since he came here has expended no less than \$12,000. Its original cost was \$4,000. The congregation represents 150 families. From this brief history of St. John the Baptist Church, we turn for some personal mention of its present pastor.

Rev. D. Cleary was born in **Marquette**, Michigan, August 24, 1867, son of **Michael and Margaret (O'Keefe) Cleary**, natives of Ireland. On coming to America, Michael Cleary settled in **Marquette county**, Michigan, and built the first house in what is now the town of **Negaunee**. Later he moved to **Marquette**, where he made permanent settlement and there passed the rest of his life and died, his death occurring in 1878. His widow is still a resident of that place. Of their children, we record that **David** is superintendent of the smelting works for the Southern Iron Company of Aetna, Tennessee; **James** is a resident of **Marquette**, Michigan; **Margaret**, at home; **Sister Eudisia** is in the convent at St. Louis, Missouri; **D.**, whose name heads this article, is the youngest.

Mr. Cleary was educated at St. Francis Academy, Milwaukee, and was ordained for the ministry July 12, 1890. He was then assistant pastor at **Hancock**, Michigan, one year, after which he was pastor at **Iron River**, and from the latter place came to **Menominee** in 1892, as above stated.

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Mr. Cleary is a member of the Foresters, is one of the original members of this society in Menominee, and is Chaplain of the same. He is broad and liberal in his views, is public-spirited and generous, and lends his aid, both personal and financial, to all movements which in his opinion are intended for the best interests of Menominee. [pages 534-535]

**JOHN J. COLE**, one of the leading and influential merchants of **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, belongs to that class of representative and enterprising young men to which the West largely owes its prosperity and progress. He is also serving as Treasurer of the city in which he makes his home, and is a recognized factor in public affairs. Being widely and favorably known throughout this locality, we feel assured that the record of his life will prove of interest to many of our readers. A native of **Ontonagon county**, Michigan, he was born on the 6th of June, 1862, and is a son of **John Cole**, a Canadian by birth, who came to this State [sic – state] thirty-five years ago and settled on the Northern Peninsula. He is still a resident of **Iron Mountain**.

The subject of this record is one of a family of ten children, and was reared and educated in his native county. In 1883, on attaining his majority, he came to **Iron Mountain** and embarked in business for himself, opening up a stock of clothing, men's furnishing goods and boots and shoes. He has continued in the same location since, and in the twelve years of the existence of this establishment it has become recognized as the leading store of the kind in the city. He began operations on a small scale, but, his trade increasing from time to time, he has enlarged his facilities to meet the growing demand and

now carries an extensive stock. In 1891 he put in a stock of dry-goods and to-day [sic – today] is proprietor of the largest and finest general mercantile establishment in the city, and is doing a constantly increasing business.

On the 9th of October, 1887, Mr. Cole was united in marriage with Miss **Bertha Warren**, a native of Pennsylvania and a daughter of **Rev. George Warren**, a resident of that State [sic – state]. Two children have been born in the family of our subject and his wife, – **John Warren** and **George Thomas**. Mrs. Cole is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is an estimable lady whose genuine worth has won her the regard of many friends.

Mr. Cole takes a commendable interest in public affairs, withholding his support and co-operation [sic – cooperation] from no enterprise that is calculated to benefit the community or aid in its upbuilding. He supports the Republican party, warmly advocating its principles, and in April, 1894, was elected to the office of City Treasurer, in which capacity he is now creditably and acceptably serving. In fraternal circles he is also prominent and active, and holds membership in the blue lodge and chapter of the Masonic fraternity, and has served as Treasurer of each for the past three years. He is an enterprising, progressive business man [sic – businessman], a valued citizen and an honorable gentleman, who well deserves the respect in which he is held. [page 635]

**J.F. CORCORAN**, a banker of **Crystal Falls**, was born in Watertown, Wisconsin, June 16, 1863. His father, **John Corcoran**, was born and reared in Ireland, was a farmer by occupation, and became one of the early pioneers of Wisconsin. The mother of our subject, *nee* **Helen**

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**Pendergast**, was a native of Ireland, and her death occurred when our subject was but two days old.

The latter, the only son by his father's second marriage, was reared in his native place, and attended the district and high schools of **Escanaba**. He began work for himself as a clerk in his half-brother's store, remaining there about two years, and from that time until 1888 was engaged in the general mercantile business with his brother, **Michael Corcoran**, at **Stambaugh, Iron county**, Michigan. In that year Mr. Corcoran was elected Treasurer of **Iron county**, and located in **Crystal Falls**, still continuing his business at **Stambaugh**. He was re-elected to that office in 1890. In February, of the same year, in company with his half-brother, **John Corcoran**, our subject opened the **Iron County Bank** in **Crystal Falls**, in which he has since held the position of manager.

He is a prominent and active worker in the Democratic party, and in 1895 was appointed School Inspector. Socially, he is a member of the Knights of Pythias, Crystal Falls Lodge No. 128, and of the Uniformed Rank, No. 30, of the same order. [page 632]

**FRANK EUGENE CROCKER**, who is acceptably serving in the office of Register of Deeds in **Dickinson county**, Michigan, is by birth a Western man, claiming the neighboring State of Wisconsin as the place of his nativity. He was born in Brown county on the 11th of December, 1856, and is a son of **Ephraim Crocker**, an honest and respected citizen, who came, in 1850, from New York State to Wisconsin, where he has since resided.

The gentleman whose name heads this record pursued his studies in the public

schools until he had arrived at the age of eighteen years, after which he spent one year in a drug store, and for the following ten months pursued the study of law in the office of **C.W. Monroe**, of Fort Howard, Wisconsin. He did not continue this, however, and in the spring of 1881 obtained the position of office clerk for the **Menominee Mining Company**, having had charge of the pay roll. The duties of this position were onerous, but he discharged them to the complete satisfaction of all concerned. His first independent venture in life made him proprietor of a grocery store. In 1889 he began operations along this line and three years afterward sold his stock of goods to the firm of **James & Croll**.

Mr. Crocker is holding his position for the second term. In 1891, when the **county of Dickinson** was divided from **Menominee county**, he was appointed Assistant Register of Deeds; being true to his duties and the trust reposed in him, the people recognized his worth and elected him to the same office in 1892, and again in 1894. In his political relations he is a staunch [sic – staunch] Republican, and socially is a member of the Knights of Pythias. He was united in marriage with Miss **Evelyn L. Erwin**, a native of Oakfield, Wisconsin, and they have two children. [pages 432-433]

**JOHN U. CURNOW**, captain of the **East Vulcan Iron mines** [sic – Mines], was born at Cornwall, England, December 30, 1843, a son of **John Curnow**, who also was a native of that place. Attending school until he arrived at the age of sixteen years, our subject then engaged in tin-mining [sic – tin mining], as a miner under ground, in Weal-Providence mine, county of Cornwall.

When twenty-two years of age he emigrated to America, locating at **Lake**

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**Superior**, Michigan, where he spent a short time with the **Bay State Copper Company**. The next six months he was with the **Phoenix Mining Company**, employed as a miner, and the following six months with the **Franklin Mining Company**, also as a miner, and then eight months as night captain for the same. On account of his ability as a miner he was next appointed second captain of the **Pewabic mine**, and at the end of four years was appointed first captain, which position he held eight years, for two years of which time he was also first captain at the **Franklin mine**. Then for about eighteen months he was engaged in silver-mining [*sic – silver mining*] in Georgetown, Colorado, after which he was appointed superintendent of the Old Abe gold mine one year, then for two years he was superintendent of the Sam's gold mine, both in Dakota, and finally he was appointed first captain of the **East Vulcan Iron Mines**, which position he is now filling. Formerly this mine gave employment to 500 men.

Captain Curnow was married in New York city to Miss **Eliza Shugg**. In society relations he is a member of William Pitt Lodge, Sons of St. George. [pages 427-428]

**HON. S.S. [SOLOMON S.] CURRY**, president of the **Metropolitan Iron and Land Company**, **Ironwood**, Michigan, is one of the best known men in this part of the State [*sic – state*]. Some personal mention of him is therefore appropriate in this work, and we take pleasure in presenting the following:

S.S. Curry was born in Lancaster, Ontario, Canada, June 12, 1839. The Currys are of Scotch origin. Mr. Curry's father and grandfather, **Solomon and John Curry**, were, however, born in Canada. His

mother, whose maiden name was **Ann Wood**, was a native of New York and was reared in Washington county, that State [*sic – state*]. She was twice married. By her first marriage she had five children. For her second husband she married **Alexander McLeod**, by whom also she had five children. The children by the first marriage were **Elizabeth, Jennie, Johnson, Joseph** and **Solomon S.**; by [*her*] second husband, – **Archibald A.**, a prominent railroad man of the Reading system of New York; **Isabella**, deceased; **Henrietta**, wife of **Dr. Norton**, of California; **Alexander**, who died when young; and **J.A.**, a prominent physician of **Gogebic county**. [See biography of Dr. J.A. McLeod below.] Mr. Curry's maternal grandfather, **Alexander Wood**, was a Scotchman, who came to New York in 1808, and for some time was engaged in mercantile pursuits in New York city. He married **Miss Southerland**, a member of the **Colonel Southerland** family. **Solomon Curry**, the father, and his wife were married in Canada, and after their marriage located on a farm at Curry Hill. He died there, at the age of thirty-one years. S.S. Curry was the youngest of their five children and was not born until after his father's death.

In 1859, at the age of twenty years, Mr. Curry left his native place and went to Potsdam, New York, where he entered upon an apprenticeship to the trade of blacksmith. At the end of two years, in 1862, he came to northern Michigan and engaged in mining, and also in exploring for the **Sault Ste. Marie Canal Company**, and was thus occupied at **Houghton** until the following year. From there he went to **Marquette**, where he was under **Henry Delaney**, exploring for the same company. He afterward mined in the **New England and Washington mines**. In 1879 he went

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to **Menominee**, where he discovered and opened up what was known as the **Curry mine**, and operated the same until 1881, when he took charge of the **Metropolitan mine, Felch mountain**. He also opened what was known as the **Beauford mine**. Next he took charge of the **Norrie mines** in **Gogebic county**, which are now owned by the **Metropolitan Iron and Land Company**. He was one of the first directors of this company, and at the death of **S.P. Burt**, its president, Mr. Curry was chosen to fill that office. It has been through his efforts that all the company's property in **Gogebic county** has been secured. Their mines at **Ironwood** are known as **Norrie, East Norrie, North Norrie** and **Pabst**.

Mr. Curry has been identified with **Ironwood** during the whole of its existence. Indeed, he is one of its founders, and much of the town was laid out by him; was the first president of the **First National Bank of Ironwood**; established the **People's Bank**, of which he was the first president; gave to **Ironwood** the first American flag it ever owned, and made a speech on the occasion, in 1892. He has always taken an active interest in public and political affairs. In 1875 he represented **Marquette county** in the **Michigan State Legislature**, receiving his election at the hands of the Democratic party. In 1886 he was the Democratic candidate for Lieutenant-Governor, and, although he was defeated, he ran far ahead of his ticket. He is a member of the Masonic order and has advanced to the thirty-second degree.

Mr. Curry was married in 1866 to **Elizabeth Stoup**, a native of Ann Arbor, Michigan. They have two children, **George A.** and **Anna**. The latter is the wife of **R.W. Bartlett**, of Boston, Massachusetts. She is a graduate of the Boston Law School and

he is a prominent lawyer of that city. *[pages 505-506; portrait, page 504]*

**JOHN DAPRATO**, a prosperous and highly-respected merchant of **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, dates his birth in Berga, Italy, October 24, 1852.

Up to the time he was twelve years of age he attended school in his native land. In 1867 we find him in Chicago, where he engaged in business with his cousin, making church statuary, the firm being known as the Daprato Statuary Company. He severed his connection with this firm in 1876 and entered the employ of D.B. Fisk & Company, a wholesale millinery house, where for a period of thirteen years he was hat-pattern maker. This work required no little skill, the models being cast in plaster first and afterward in metal. In 1889, having resigned his position with D.B. Fisk & Company, he left Chicago and came to **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, with which place he has since been identified. Here he engaged in the crockery, hardware and grocery business, under the name of **Daprato & Rigassi**, which association still continues.

Mr. Daprato was married in 1884 to Miss **Aurelia Ginocchio**, a native of Chiovari, Italy, and a member of a prominent family in that country. She received a college education there, and at the time of her coming to America was eighteen years of age. Her brother, **John Ginocchio**, one of the best known Italians in Chicago, was an eminent lawyer and stood high both in business and social circles. He was accidentally killed March 10, 1894. Mr. and Mrs. Daprato have two children, **John G.** and **Nino**.

Politically, our subject is a Republican. He takes an interest in public affairs and has filled several positions of importance

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and trust. He served two years as Alderman. In fraternal circles he has been prominent and active. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and a member of the Chicago Oriental Consistory. In the I.O.O.F. he has passed all the chairs, his membership in this order being with Silver Link Lodge, No. 521, of Chicago. He was at one time President of Mutuo and Taecorzo Beneficerza, and is now the Representative to the Italian Society of the United States.

Such, in brief, is the sketch of the life of one of Iron Mountain's prosperous business men [*sic – businessmen*] and esteemed citizens. [page 627]

**P.E. [PATRICK E.] DUNN**, one of the representative men of **Crystal Falls**, was born in Renfro, Province of Ontario, Canada, March 27, 1846. His father, **James Dunn**, was a native of Ireland, but located in Canada when a young man. He was a lumberman in early life, but afterward located on a farm, and spent the remainder of his days in Canada, dying at the [*age*] of seventy-six years. The mother of our subject, *nee* **Mary Castello**, was born in Ireland, where she remained until six years of age, and then moved with her parents to Canada, dying there at the age of seventy-two years. Mr. and Mrs. Dunn were the parents of eleven children, five sons and six daughters.

P.E. Dunn, the third child and third son, remained in Canada until eighteen years old, attending the common schools, but working at farm labor during the summer months. He then secured employment as a freight clerk for the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad at that city, but after one year there moved to Marinette, Wisconsin, and for the following ten years worked in the lumber woods. Mr. Dunn opened the first

mine for the **Metropolitan Land & Iron Company** at **Felch Mountain**, in 1876, and came from there to **Crystal Falls**, in the interest of the **Youngston [*sic – Youngstown*] Iron Company**. He opened the **Youngston [*sic – Youngstown*]**, now known as the **Clare**, mine in this city, and discovered ore at the **Alpha mine** at **Mastodon**, having owned an interest in the latter mine for a number of years.

In his political relations, our subject is a prominent and active worker in the Democratic party. In 1886 he was elected the first Clerk and Register of Deeds in **Iron county**, which position he held for three terms, and previous to that time was elected the first Supervisor of **Crystal Falls**. He has also served as a member of the School Board. Socially he is a member of the Knights of Pythias.

Mr. Dunn was married in 1888, to **Emma Miller**, a native of Germany. They have one daughter, **Phyllis**. [pages 584-585]

**JOHN ENGBLOM**, County Treasurer of **Dickinson county**, was born in the province of Fahelau, Sweden, January, [*sic*] 31, 1861, a son of **John Johnson**, a native also of that country. Our subject attended the public schools until fourteen years of age, after which he was employed at farm labor and also was employed in the lumber woods for about five years. For the following year he found work at an iron furnace in the smelting works. In 1880 he came to America, locating in **Norway**, Michigan, where he worked for the **Menominee Mining Company** until the fall of 1882, and then secured a position with the **Briar Hill Mining Company**. In the spring of 1883 Mr. Engblom went to Chicago to enter the employ of the North Chicago Rolling Mill Company, now known

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as the Illinois Steel Company, remaining there a few months. After spending three months in the old country he located in **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, securing employment from the **Menominee Mining Company** in the **Chapin mine**, and subsequently was made pit boss and had charge of sinking shafts. In 1892 he was elected to the position of County Treasurer and was re-elected to the office in 1894.

November 11, 1889, Mr. Engblom was united in marriage with Miss **Caroline Larson**, a native of **Iron Mountain**. To this union have been born three children. The wife and mother departed this life September 12, 1894. In political matters, Mr. Engblom is a staunch [*sic – staunch*] Republican. [*page 221*]

**WILLIAM G. ESBROOK**, proprietor of a meat market at **Stephenson**, Michigan, is one of the successful business men [*sic – businessmen*] of the town.

Mr. Esbrook dates his birth in Salop county, England, April 6, 1847, and is a son of **George F. Esbrook**, a merchant at that place. Until he was eighteen he attended the public schools, and from that time until he was twenty-one he worked at the butcher business for his father. Upon attaining his majority, he embarked for America, came west to Wisconsin, and at Fort Howard entered the employ of Mr. **Neil Gallagher**, as butcher, and worked for him three years. After that he worked at the same business in Brown county, Wisconsin, and while there located a farm of eighty acres. On this farm he raised hay until 1880, when he sold out and came to Michigan, locating at **Norway** and there continuing work at his trade until the fall of 1882. Since that time he has been a resident of **Stephenson**. On coming here he engaged in business for himself,

opening a meat market, which he has conducted successfully ever since. He kills and dresses all his own meat. By careful attention to business and by good management, Mr. Esbrook has accumulated a nice property and is comfortably situated.

March 2, 1870, he married Miss **Fannie Hillman**, a native of Maine, and they have a family of four children, three sons and a daughter, namely: **George William, Ed. E., Walter W. and Cora M.**

Mr. Esbrook is a member of the Order of Maccabees. [*pages 510-511*]

**JOHN FISHER**, Treasurer of **Iron county**, was born in Sweden, December 7, 1844. He came to America in 1868, spending the first six months in New York city; went thence to Marshall county, Iowa, and remained for two years; spent six months in Chicago, Illinois, next followed the carpenter's trade in **Marquette**, Michigan, resided in **Houghton** and **Hancock** for a time, and also spent several years in **Ishpeming**. In 1881 he went to the Black Hills, where he had entire charge of the erection of the twenty-stamp mill for the Gold Star Mining Company, the entire cost of the mill having been about \$50,000. He returned to **Ishpeming** in 1881, was there married, and in the summer of 1882 he came to **Crystal Falls** to engage as bookkeeper for **H.H. Hastings**. Three years afterward he opened a meat market in the city. Mr. Fisher has served as Township Clerk three terms, one term as Township Treasurer, was President of the Village Board two years, Trustee of the same four years, and in 1894, by the Republican party, was made Treasurer of **Iron county**, which important position he still fills.

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In 1881, in **Ishpeming**, our subject was united in marriage with **Nettie Raisky**, a native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They have three sons, – **Herbert J.**, **Roy F.** and **Walter F.** The family are [*sic – is*] members of the Presbyterian Church, in which Mr. Fisher is a Trustee. In his social relations he is a member of the Knights of Pythias, Crystal Falls Lodge No. 128. [page 587]

**RICHARD C. FLANNIGAN**, a resident of **Norway**, Michigan, is ranked with the eminent young lawyers of the State [*sic – state*].

Mr. Flannigan is a native of northern Michigan, born at **Ontonagon**, December 15, 1859, son of **James F. Flannigan**, a miner, who dates his birth in Waterford, Ireland. The subject of our sketch spent the first twelve years of his life in his native town, after which he went to **Marquette**, Michigan. He attended the public schools up to the time of his fifteenth year. At that age he secured a position in the weighing department at the **Marquette, Houghton & Ontonagon Railroad Company**, where he remained four years, his prompt and faithful service during this time gaining for him the high esteem of his associates and employers. After this we find him in the law office of **Parks & Hayden**, at **Marquette**. Here he also gained the favor of his employers, and soon worked his way up from the position of junior clerk to that of managing clerk. Then he took a six month's course in a law school, passed his examination with credit, and was duly admitted to the bar. That was in 1880. Immediately afterward he came to **Norway**, opened an office and entered upon his professional career; and while he still has his office at **Norway** he has established a law practice that extends all over the State of Michigan. He has been attorney for

some of the most noted cases ever tried in the State [*sic – state*].

Mr. Flannigan was early recognized as one of the leading spirits of Menominee county. In 1886 he was elected Prosecuting Attorney of the county, in which office he rendered able service, and he also served as the first Mayor of **Norway**. Politically, he is an ardent Democrat.

November 11, 1885, Mr. Flannigan married Miss **Anna Hurley**, of **Marquette**, and they have one child, a son, six years of age. [pages 598-599]

**ROBERT FLOOD.** – Among the representative and well-known citizens of **Sault de Ste. Marie** stands this gentleman, who is now serving as Inspector of Customs. He is one of the worthy sons of the Emerald Isle, his birth having occurred in county Meath on the 4th of May, 1845. He is one of the eight children of **Patrick Flood**, a farmer, and is the only member of the family living in America save his sister, **Mrs. Lawrence O'Brien**, who resides in Leavenworth, Washington.

The educational privileges which our subject received were very meager, being only those afforded in the common schools of his native land. He resolved to come to America when a young man of seventeen, for he believed better opportunities were afforded here than in the older and more thickly settled countries of Europe. He made his first location in Fond du Lac; had no capital; in fact he was dependent entirely on his own resources for employment, which he soon found. For fourteen years he remained in that city, during much of the time he engaged in the restaurant business, which he successfully conducted.

Mr. Flood has been twice married. While in Fond du Lac, in 1867, he was joined in wedlock with Miss **Annie Duffy**,

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daughter of **James Duffy**, who was of Irish birth. She died in Chicago, in 1877, leaving a son, **James**, who is now living in Rhinelander, Wisconsin; and two daughters: **Annie** and **Mary**. In **Norway**, Michigan, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Flood and Miss **Anna Daly**, daughter of **Patrick Daly**.

In 1881 Mr. Flood removed to **Crystal Falls, Iron county**, Michigan, where for four years he was engaged in the grocery trade, enjoying a good business. He came thence to **Sault de Ste. Marie** and here established a grocery store which he conducted for five years. He carried an excellent stock of goods, and his straightforward, honorable dealings, and earnest desire to please his customers won him a liberal patronage, which was well deserved.

In his political views Mr. Flood has always been a Democrat and warmly advocates the principles of his party. He was elected a member of the City Council of **Sault de Ste. Marie** from the Third ward to succeed **Rev. T.R. Easterday**, and served on a number of important committees, including the committees on police, fire, sewer and sidewalks. He takes an active interest in everything pertaining to the welfare of the community and withholds his support from no enterprise which is calculated to prove of public benefit. He was appointed to his present office August 29, 1894, and is a capable incumbent. Socially he is connected with the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Catholic Mutual Benevolent Association. It was a fortunate day when he resolved to come to America, for he has prospered, winning a considerable income and has also secured a good home and gained many warm and true friends. [pages 280-281]

**FATHER A.W. GEERS. – ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH**, Roman Catholic, **Houghton**, Michigan, is one of the oldest institutions of its kind in the northern peninsula, and its marvelous power for good has been deeply felt throughout the years. The property of this church comprises its house of worship, which is an old one and which will, no doubt, be replaced in the near future by a handsome and commodious structure; the pastor's home, a new, elegant and well-furnished residence; and a parochial school. The number of families registered in the parish is 250, and the number of pupils enrolled in the school 150, the school being in charge of three **Sisters of St. Agnes**. The present pastor of the church is Rev. Father A.W. Geers, a man of fine scholarship and great earnestness, and who is fully consecrated to the work of the Master.

Father Geers was born in Switzerland in February, 1853. He was educated for the priesthood in Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati, Ohio, and in April, 1876, was ordained at Ft. Wayne, Indiana, by Bishop Dwenger. His first charge was as assistant pastor of Sts. Peter and Paul's Church in Hamilton, Indiana, where he remained one year. From there he was sent to Garrett, same State [*sic – state*], where he served acceptably as pastor until 1881, the time of his coming to northern Michigan. Then for a short time he was in the cathedral, and after that filled successively the following pastorates: **Republic, Sacred Heart Church of Calumet, Manistique, Menominee, Holy Rosary Church of Lake Linden, and St. Mary's Parish in Norway**. He came to his present assignment in October, 1894, and in addition to his work in this place he also has charge of a mission at the **Atlantic mine**; and while his connection with **St. Ignatius Church** does

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not yet cover a year he has in the short time won the love of his parishioners and ingratiated himself with all who have in any way come in contact with him; and this [he] has obtained in all the charges where he has officiated. [page 526]

**ROBERT J. HANCOCK**, a hardware merchant of **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, is ranked with the prosperous young business men [*sic – businessmen*] of the city.

He was born in Iowa county, Wisconsin, December 28, 1864, and comes of English ancestors. His father and grandfather, both named **Thomas Hancock**, were born in England, and the former was only five years of age when he came with his parents to this country. Grandfather Hancock was one of the first settlers in Iowa county, Wisconsin, where he bought a tract of upland from the Government [*sic – government*]. The father of our subject is a carpenter by trade. He has been a resident of **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, since 1881. His wife, *nee* **Susan Lane**, is also a native of England. She came to America with her parents when she was twelve years of age, her father, **George Lane**, being one of the pioneer settlers of Iowa county, Wisconsin. **Thomas and Susan Hancock** have had seven children, **Robert J.** being their third child and second son, and the eldest of the family now living.

Mr. Hancock was reared in his native county, attending the public schools until he was fourteen, and then entering upon an apprenticeship to the hardware business. Since 1881 he has been a resident of **Iron Mountain**, Michigan. For six years he was an employe [*sic – employee*] in the hardware business here, and in 1887, in company with Mr. **William Sundstrom**, he opened a hardware establishment, which has since been successfully conducted by

them, their stock covering a full line of stoves, tinware, miners' supplies, etc.

Mr. Hancock was first married in 1886 to Miss **Louisa Vial**, daughter of **Phillip and Emma Vial**. Her happy married life was of short duration and soon she was called to her last home, leaving a husband and little daughter, **Willa**, to mourn their loss. August 26, 1894, Mr. Hancock married Miss **Anna Treglowan**, a native of Iowa county, Wisconsin, and a daughter of **Alford and Julia Treglowan**. Mr. Treglowan and his family moved to Butte City, Montana, in 1885, Mrs. Hancock being at that time twelve years of age, and in Butte City she was reared and educated. She is a graduate of the high school of that place. Her parents still reside in Butte City.

Mr. Hancock is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and, politically, gives his support to the Republican party. [pages 211-212]

**CHARLES HEIMERDINGER**, station agent at the **Chicago and North Western [Chicago & Northwestern] Railroad** at **Vulcan**, is a son of **George Heimerdinger**, a native of Germany, but he came to this country when a boy. He located in Cleveland, Ohio, and there learned the harnessmaker's trade. Mr. Heimerdinger afterward moved to Barrington, Illinois, where **Charles** was born, March 9, 1860. He attended the schools of that city until arriving at the age of fifteen years, and then began work for the **Chicago & North Western [Northwestern] Railroad** as baggageman, and later as telegraph operator, having worked as a relief agent until 1882. Since that time he has served as station agent at **Vulcan**. Mr. Heimerdinger served as Postmaster of this city from 1883 to 1893, and he now holds the offices of Township Treasurer and

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Clerk, and is also a member of the School Board. In his social relations he is a Royal Arch Mason.

December 26, 1893, Mr. Heimerdinger was united in marriage with Miss **Lizzie Fitch**, of Chicago, Illinois, and they have two sons. [pages 221-222]

**WILLIAM B. HIGH**, a prominent business man [sic – businessman] of **Norway**, was born in Washington county, New York, December 7, 1841, a son of **Charles B. High**, a native also of that State [sic – state]. William moved with his parents to West Troy, New York, when a boy, and attended the public schools until eighteen years of age. He then secured work in the sawmill of **Beach & Hodgeman**, at Fort Edward, New York, of which his father was foreman, remaining there three years. He next spent one year as mill boss for **Sawyers & Gardner**, at Little Swan, Wisconsin, conducted a sawmill for **William Bruce** at Big Swan two years, was foreman for **R.M. Naughton & Company**, lumber dealers of Oconto, Wisconsin, and while in that city he also served as City Marshal for five years, Sheriff one year, Treasurer two years and Assessor one year. He was a partner with **Ed Barber** in the mercantile and livery business.

In 1892, Mr. High moved with his family to **Norway, Dickinson county**, Michigan. He purchased the drug store of **L.J. Kimball**, which he conducted in connection with the jewelry business until the fire of 1888. He has since reopened his store at the same place. In addition to his other business interests, he was for a number of years in the employ of [the] United States Government, and located thousands of acres for the **Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Company** and different mill

companies, doing some surveying in the Rocky mountains. He is a Republican in his political views. Socially, he is a member of the Odd Fellows order, the A.O.U.W., the Native Born Sons of New York and is a Master Mason.

Mr. High married Miss **Sarah F. Johnson**, of Oconto, Wisconsin, and they have three children living and one deceased. [page 217]

**S.D. HOLLISTER**, Postmaster of **Crystal Falls**, was born in Tomah, Wisconsin, July 21, 1861. His father, **S.D. Hollister, Sr.**, was born and reared in Burnt Hills, New York, of English descent. About 1854 he moved to Tomah, Wisconsin, where he laid out the town site, was elected the first Postmaster, and engaged in the real-estate [sic – real estate] business. He afterward moved to Sparta, in the same county, where he served as County Clerk six years, and next became a wholesale druggist in Chicago, Illinois. In 1880, Mr. Hollister came to **Iron county**, Michigan, and assisted in locating **Crystal Falls**, and was elected the first Clerk and Register of Deeds in the county. He also opened the **Great Western**, old **Crystal Falls** and **Fairbank** [sic – Fairbanks] mines in the interest of the **Crystal Falls Iron Company**, Mr. Hollister having come to the city with **George Runkel**, the general manager of the company. In 1886 Mr. Hollister began exploring on his own account, and three years afterward opened what is now the **Hollister mine**, which he operated until 1890. In June of the following year he removed to Johnson, Florida, where he now owns an orange grove. In his social relations he is a Royal Arch Mason. The mother of our subject, **Emeline (Braman) Hollister**, was born and reared in Chicopee, Massachusetts, and is

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of English descent. She also is still living. **S.D. and Emeline Hollister** have had six children, five of whom still survive.

S.D. Hollister, Jr., their second child and second son, completed his education at Sparta, Wisconsin. He removed with his parents to Chicago and studied telegraphy in the Western Union Telegraph office, remaining there two years. In 1881 he came to what is now **Crystal Falls**, receiving the position of timekeeper for the **Crystal Falls Iron Company**, and also scaled logs that were cut in that is now the streets of this city and sunk shafts for the company. Mr. Hollister next took charge of the company's lumber-yard [*sic – lumberyard*] and subsequently became foreman [*sic – became foreman*] of the sawmill, remaining in that position about one year. For the following two and a half years he was employed as bookkeeper for the **Great Western Iron Company**, of **Crystal Falls**, spent one year as foreman of Runkle's [*sic – Runkel's*] sawmill at Rapid City, South Dakota, was next bookkeeper for the **Kimball mine**, of this city, for the following two years was a clerk in the **Lockwood Hotel**, was made superintendent of the **Hollister iron mine** for one year, and was next engaged in the livery business three years.

In political matters Mr. Hollister is a prominent worker in the Democratic party. He was appointed Township Clerk to fill a vacancy, and in 1893 was made Postmaster of **Crystal Falls**, which position he still continues to fill. Socially he is a member of Crystal Falls Lodge, No. 385, F. & A.M.; of Crystal Falls Chapter, No. 129, R.A.M.; of Hugh McCurdy Commandery, No. 43, and of Medinah Temple, Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Hollister was married in 1893 to **Mary E. Runkel**, who was born in Tomah,

Wisconsin, on July 29, 1863, a daughter of **George and Eliza (Lockwood) Runkel**. They have had four children, – **Ione**, **Zilpa** (deceased), **Solomon C.** and **Emeline**.  
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**ALFRED H. HUNTING**, boot and shoe merchant, **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, is one of the representative business men [*sic – businessmen*] of the town, and it is appropriate that some personal mention be made of him in this work.

Alfred H. Hunting was born in Chicago, Illinois, May 28, 1862, son of **Andrew J. and Mary J. (Casson) Hunting**, both natives of the Empire State, and the latter of English descent. Andrew J. Hunting came west from New York at an early day, first locating in Wisconsin and later at Chicago. He was for some time engaged in farming at Des Plaines, near Chicago. He and his wife are now residents of **Iron Mountain**, Michigan. They have had seven children, four of whom are living, the subject of our sketch being the second child and eldest son.

When Alfred H. was quite small he removed with his parents to Columbia county, Wisconsin, and subsequently to Oshkosh, where he was reared and educated, his education being received in the common schools. He has earned his own living since he was fourteen. His first work was in the factories of Oshkosh. In 1881 he came to **Vulcan**, Michigan, where he was engaged as an engineer in the mine, remaining at this place until 1884, when he accepted a like position at the **Metropolitan [Mine]**. Since 1889 he has been a resident of **Iron Mountain**. On locating here he engaged in the general merchandise business in partnership with a **Mr. Perry**, the firm name being **Perry & Hunting**. In 1891 they turned their

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attention more especially to the boot and shoe business, and that same year Mr. Hunting purchased the interest of his partner. Since then he has conducted the business alone and has met with signal [*sic* – *singular*] success.

Mr. Hunting was married in Iron Mountain, Michigan, September 9, 1893, to **Lettie Parmelee**, daughter of **N.B. and Anna Parmelee**, of this place. She is a native of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. They have one son, **Alfred Clyde**.

Mr. Hunting supports the Republican party and takes a commendable interest in public affairs. He was a member of the **Iron Mountain** Council for one year. Fraternaly he is identified with the Knights of Pythias, Iron Mountain Lodge, No. 129, and Oak Leaf Camp, No. 2885, of Modern Woodmen of America, Iron Mountain. [page 338]

**WILLIAM HURLEY**, a prominent attorney of **Iron Mountain**, was born in Schenectady, New York, February 2, 1842, a son of **James H. Hurley**, a native of county Cork, Ireland, who came to America in 1832. At the age of two-and-a-half years William was taken by his parents to Wisconsin, where he attended the schools until his graduation, at the age of sixteen years. The first school he attended was held under an old cedar tree, and there were eight scholars in attendance. Two years afterward they built a schoolhouse. He taught school five years, and at the age of twenty-one years he entered the University of Madison, Wisconsin, where he graduated in the law department with the degree of LL. B., and was admitted to the bar in June, 1870. He then followed the practice of his profession at Fond du Lac for twelve years. In 1875 he was elected City Attorney of that city, and also served as a

member of the School Board. Since 1882 he has successfully followed the practice of law in **Iron Mountain**, Michigan. He has been counselor in a number of murder cases, and his skill as a criminal lawyer is widely known. Mr. Hurley was a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney, and at the election ran far ahead of his ticket. In political matters he is a staunch [*sic* – *staunch*] Democrat. [pages 220-221]

**FRANK A. JENSON**, a mining engineer and chemist of **Norway**, was born in Sweden, September 8, 1851, a son of **John Anderson**, also a native of that country. Frank attended the State school in his native country until fourteen years of age, was then employed as a bookkeeper for the Hogfors Stock Company about two years, spent the following two years with the Hellefors Iron Mining Company, was with the Klacka & Lerberg Manufacturing Company three years, then studied under **Professor Humble** for about a year and a half, next took a course in the Fahn Mining School, studied mining engineering and chemistry in Dolcarhs, Sweden, and in 1881 came to the United States, locating in **Norway**, Michigan. Mr. Jenson spent the first year and a half here as assistant engineer to **Peter Larson**, in the employ of the **Menominee Mining Company**, and since that time he has served as mining engineer and chemist for the **Pennsylvania Mining Company**. He is also agent for the **Briar Hill Mining Company of Ohio**.

He was married December 16, 1891, to Miss **Olga Quarnstrom**, of Sweden, and they have two children, a son and a daughter. In his social relations, Mr. Jenson is a Master Mason and a member of the United States Institute of Mining Engineers. [page 525]

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**DR. J.D. [JOEL D.] JONES**, a dentist of **Iron Mountain**, was born in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, January 23, 1839. His father, **Dr. J.D. Jones**, was born in Connecticut, but moved with his parents to Ohio when young. After graduating at the St. Louis Medical College he practiced for a time in that city, and then located in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, where he was among the early pioneers. He still resides in that city, aged seventy-five years. His father, **Joel Jones**, was a native of Connecticut, of English descent. The mother of our subject, **Josephine S. Brisboyse**, was born in Wisconsin, a daughter of **Colonel B.W. Brisboyse**, of French descent.

J.D. Jones, the second son and third child of four children, remained in his native place until twenty-three years of age. After attending the common schools he attended [*sic – attended*] the Jesuit College, and in 1880 began the study of dentistry under **Dr. E.S. Eddy**, remaining with him about three years. Mr. Jones then graduated at the University of Ann Arbor in the class of 1884. May 4, of the same year, he opened an office in **Iron Mountain**, and is yet the only dentist in the city.

In his social relations Mr. Jones is a member of the Wisconsin State Dental Association, has filled all the chairs in Iron Mountain Lodge, No. 388, A.F. & A.M., is a member of the Iron Mountain Chapter, No. 121, R.A.M.; of the Menominee Commandery, No. 35, K.T.; of Ahmed Temple, N.M.S., of Marquette; of the A.O.U.W., of Iron Mountain, and was at one time a member of the K. of P. Politically, he cooperates with the Republican party.

In 1892 Mr. Jones was united in marriage with **Helen McKinstry**, a native of Wayne county, Michigan, and a daughter of **N.M. McKinstry**, of Canton, Michigan.  
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**JOHN T. [JOHN TYLER] JONES**, of **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, is superintendent of the **Ludington & Hamilton mine**, and is one of the most prominent men of the **Menominee Range**. We take pleasure in presenting a sketch of his life to the readers of this work.

John T. Jones was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, September 14, 1847. His father, **Thomas J. Jones**, a native of Wales, settled at Pittsburg when he was thirteen years of age. Both **Thomas J.** and his father, **John**, were iron workers, as was also our subject's maternal grandfather, **Mr. Williams**. Grandfather Williams emigrated from Wales to this country and located at Pittsburg when his daughter, **Margaret**, the mother of John T. Jones, was four years old. In that city the parents of our subject grew up and were married, and as the years passed by sons and daughters came to brighten their home, eleven in all, nine of whom reached maturity, John T. being the third born and eldest son. The father died in Sharon, Pennsylvania, in June, 1894, at the age of seventy-seven years. At the time of his death he was the oldest mechanic in that city.

John T. Jones spent the first twenty-three years of his life in Pittsburg. He attended school until he was twelve years old and then commenced work in the rolling mills as an apprentice to the trade of millwright and engineer. His father being a master mechanic, young Jones came naturally to this work and ere long became an expert. In 1869 he went to Sharon, Pennsylvania, where he had charge of the machinery and furnaces of the Keel Ridge Furnace of Sharon. He remained there until June, 1881, when he came to the **Menominee Range** and located at **Keel Ridge**, as superintendent of mines, having

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under his supervision the **Emitt** [*sic* – **Emmett**], **Keel Ridge**, **Iron River**, and **Ludington & Hamilton mines**. He was the first to prospect for the last named mine. He has also been connected with various other mines, and has done much to advance the mining interests of this section of the country, and is well and favorably known as an authority in his line of work.

Mr. Jones and his family occupy one of the finest and most elegantly equipped homes in **Iron Mountain**. This residence was built by him in 1891, at a cost of \$7,000. He was married, in 1871, to Miss **Rachel A. Milligan**, a native of Pittsburg and a daughter of **John Milligan**, of that city, the Milligans being a prominent Quaker family. They have had eight children, six of whom are living, viz: **Albert**, **Elmer**, **Carrie**, **Rachel**, **Ruth** and **Arthur**. **Harry** and **Margaret** are deceased.

Politically, Mr. Jones is in harmony with the Republican party, and has served as a member of the City Council. He is identified with Iron Mountain Lodge, F. & A.M. [pages 329-330]

**FATHER M. KEHOE**, pastor of the Catholic Church at **Ironwood**, Michigan, was born in the province of Ontario, Canada, February 11, 1856. His parents, **John and Ann (Devereux) Kehoe**, are natives of Ireland, and his mother, it is supposed, is of French descent. They were married on the Emerald Isle, about 1854 and emigrated [*sic* – *immigrated*] to Canada, where they resided until 1866. Since that date they have resided in **Marquette**, Michigan. Mrs. Kehoe has been twice married, her only child by her present husband being the subject of this article.

Father Kehoe was ten years old at the time he removed with his parents to

**Marquette**. There he attended the public schools, and also spent one year at the home of **Bishop Mrak**, studying Latin and French under the instructions of the bishop and the **Rev. Father Eis**, then priest of the Catholic congregation at **Marquette**. In September, 1893 [*sic* – 1873], he went to Joliette, Canada, where, the due time, he completed a classical course. In October, 1876, complying with the instructions of the bishop, Mr. Kehoe went to Rome, Italy, where he continued his studies in the celebrated College of the Propaganda, remaining abroad for a period of six years. He was ordained in the Basilica of St. John Lateran, by Monaco La Valletta, Cardinal Vicar of his Holiness Leo XIII. In June, 1882, the same year in which he was ordained, he visited many of the principal cities of Europe, including Venice, Milan, Paris and London, and after completing this tour returned to America and to his home at **Marquette**.

Upon his return, he was assigned to work in **Marquette**, and remained there a few months. He was next appointed assistant to the **Very Rev. E. Jacker**, pastor of St. Ann's Church at **Hancock**, Michigan, where he labored in that capacity one year. In November, 1883, he was assigned to the mission of **Norway**, on the **Menominee range**, and for seven years devoted his time and attention to looking after the spiritual interests of the people of that place, his labor being characterized by great earnestness and attended with marked success. One of the important features of his work at that place was the establishment of a parochial school. In the fall of 1890 he was appointed to the important mission of **Ironwood**, Michigan, where he has since remained. Here he found a wide field for work. The first year, through his instrumentality, the heavy

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church debt was paid off and numerous improvements made upon the church edifice, including a tower and steeple and some decorations. Next he turned his attention to the erection and equipment of a parochial school, which is located a block and a half from the church building, and which is valued at not less than \$15,000. The school is taught by the **Sisters of St. Francis** from Silver Lake, Wisconsin, and the regular attendance is 450 pupils. The congregation over which Father Kehoe is pastor represents about 300 families, the majority of which are Irish, with about fifty French Canadian families, and a few Germans. There are numerous societies in connection with the church, and all are in a prosperous condition. [page 385-386]

**CAPTAIN W.H. [WILLIAM H.] KNIGHT**, of the **Norrie mines, Ironwood**, Michigan, was born in **Ontonagon county**, this State [sic – state], January 26, 1855.

His father, **William H. Knight**, a native of England, came to northern Michigan in 1850 and located in **Ontonagon county**. Here he followed his trade, that of blacksmith, until the time of his death, July 4, 1893, at the age of sixty-nine years. His wife, *nee* **Martha Brooks**, was also born in England. She is now sixty-five years of age and makes her home with her son, the subject of this sketch. Their family is composed of four sons and one daughter, all of whom are living, W.H. being the second son and second child.

He was reared at his native place. From the time he was thirteen until he was eighteen he worked at the blacksmith's trade, and since he was eighteen has given his attention to mining. He commenced his mining career in the **Minnesota copper mines of Ontonagon county**. He was in the **Houghton & Hancock copper mines**,

and from these he went to **Marquette county**, where he was employed by various companies. About 1879 he went west and worked in the Comstock mines. Upon his return, he was employed as time-keeper [sic – timekeeper] for the **Menominee Mining Company**, filling this position for about six years, a portion of the time also being employed as foreman of exploring camps. In 1883 he went to Minnesota, to the Tower mines, where he was at first shipping clerk and were [sic – there] he had charge of all the bush work for the mines. Since 1885 he has been in the employ of the **Metropolitan Iron & Land Company**. He served as time-keeper [sic – timekeeper] about six months, was then promoted to the position of night captain, which position he filled for three years, and since then has been mining captain for the **Norrie mine**.

Captain Knight was married in 1879 to Miss **Mary Carroll**, a native of Chicago, who was reared in northern Michigan. She died in 1884, leaving two children, – **Ralph A.** and **Fred W.**

The Captain is a member of Ironwood Lodge, No. 389, F. & A.M., also a member of Minerva Chapter, No. 122, R.A.M. In politics, he is a stanch [sic – staunch] Republican. He was Town Clerk and Supervisor before the city was incorporated, and was a member of the Village Council one year. He was also a prominent and active member of the fire department, for a time serving as assistant chief. An honorable and upright citizen, he has the respect and esteem of all who know him. [page 495]

**HON. WILLIAM S. LAING**, **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, came to this place when it was in its infancy and has ever since been prominently identified with its

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interests. A sketch of his life will be of interest to many, and is as follows:

W.S. Laing was born in Aberdeen, Scotland. Early in life he came with his parents to America, their location being in Canada. In Canada and in the United States he received his education in the common schools, and he also took a business course in a commercial college at Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. Since 1865 he has been a resident of Michigan. He came to **Iron Mountain** when this prosperous town was in its infancy, he has in many ways contributed toward its growth and development, and he is to-day [sic – today] ranked with its leading and influential citizens. For ten years he followed the butcher business here, and for some years past he has conducted a wholesale meat market. He also deals largely in lumber, doing a jobbing business in this line. In the meantime, in 1888, he helped to start the town of **Sagola**, building a mill there, and for two years was engaged in the lumber business at that place. He also at one time operated a mill at **Wilson, Menominee county**. He has, however, disposed of his property at both of these places, and his interests are now centered at **Iron Mountain**. He is a director of the **First National Bank** of this city; is the owner of four store buildings, three in one block on Ludington street and one on Stephenson avenue; and is secretary and treasurer of the **Building and Loan Association** here.

Mr. Laing has for several years been prominent and active in fraternal circles. He is a member of the I.O.O.F., A.O.U.W., and K. of P. Six years ago, when the Odd Fellow erected their building in **Iron Mountain**, at a cost of \$7,000, he was chairman of the building committee, and as such proved himself of great value to the organization.

Politically, Mr. Laing is a staunch [sic – staunch] Republican. He was President of the **village of Iron Mountain** at the time of its organization, and has since served as Mayor of the town. He was elected a member of the **Michigan State Senate** for 1887-8, being the only successful Republican in the county at that election; and while a member of the Senate served as chairman of the labor committee, the committee on the State prison at **Marquette**, and the committee on immigration; and in whatever position he has been called to fill, his services has [sic – have] been characterized by the strictest fidelity. He is a man of many excellent traits of character and has many warm friends. [page 335]

**CARL A. LINDAHL**, of the firm of **Browing, Lindahl & Company**, dealers in general merchandise, flour, feed and hay, was born in Sweden, January 18, 1860, a son of **John A. Lindahl**, also a native of that country. Carl attended the public schools until fifteen years of age, spent one year in college, and after graduating came to America, locating in Colby, Wisconsin. He secured employment one summer for the Wisconsin Central Railroad, was next engaged in contract work for the railroad at Mount Horeb, that State [sic – state], in 1880 began work on a travel grain for the Chicago & North Western [sic – Northwestern] Road, was later made brakeman on a construction train in the employ of the same road, and in the fall of that year he met with a very severe accident. He was caught between two cars and received internal injuries which disabled him for six months. After his recovery, Mr. Lindahl served as general manager of the warehouse of **Smith & Loughrey**, at **Florence**, Wisconsin, for five

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years, and was then made their bookkeeper. Leaving that position, he went to Walcott, North Dakota, where he conducted a general mercantile store for Morris & Company about six months, and then, returning to Florence, he secured the position of time-keeper [*sic – timekeeper*] for **H.M. Wheeler**, in driving logs on the Pine river. Mr. Lindahl next worked for his old employers, **Smith & Loughrey**, at their store in **Iron Mountain** for one year, and then bought a mineral spring at Rhinelander, Wisconsin, and bottled mineral water. That was the first business enterprise Mr. Lindahl ever entered for himself. One year afterward he came to **Norway**, Michigan, and formed a partnership with **R.C. Browning** and **J.E. Anderson**, under the firm name of **Browning, Lindahl & Company**. They purchased the store of **John Lindquist**.

Mr. Lindahl was married September 13, 1885, to Miss **Clara Hegstrom**, of Galesburg, Illinois. They have four children, the eldest being eight years of age. In his social relations our subject is a Master Mason. [*pages 215-216*]

**DONALD C. MacKINNON**, a real-estate [*sic – real estate*] dealer, **Iron River**, Michigan, is the founder of this town. Without more than a passing notice of him, this work would be incomplete.

Mr. MacKinnon was born near Toronto, Canada, April 5, 1846. His parents, **Hugh and Sarah (Campbell) MacKinnon**, were born and married in Scotland, and about 1845 emigrated from that country to America and located in Canada. The father was a shipbuilder by trade. He lived to the advanced age of ninety-four years, his death occurring in Canada; the mother is still living, now at the age of eighty-seven years. They had nine children, Donald C.

being the fourth in number and the first of the family born in America.

Mr. MacKinnon remained a member of the home circle until 1865, when he came to Michigan, and at **Marquette** engaged in work at the carpenter's trade, a trade he began to learn when he was sixteen. He carried on contracting and building at **Marquette** until 1877. That year he came to **Iron county**, or, to where **Iron county** now is, to explore the country, and located the land upon which the town of **Iron River** now stands. He made a thorough study of the geology of the county, was favorably impressed with its possibilities, and ere long platted the town site of **Iron River** and gave leases to several mining companies, receiving a royalty from said companies. At that time the nearest railroad point was fifty miles away, and he was untiring in his efforts to secure a railroad to this place. Indeed, he has done much in many ways to advance the interests of the town. Few, if any, of the early pioneers, have done more to bring about the present prosperity of Iron River than has D.C. MacKinnon. During the whole of his residence here he has been engaged in real-estate [*sic – real estate*] business.

Mr. MacKinnon was married December 17, 1884, to Miss **Belle M. Steele**, a native of Saginaw, Michigan. Her father, **Samuel H. Steele**, was one of the early settlers of Saginaw. Mr. and Mrs. MacKinnon have three children, two sons and a daughter, namely: **Donald C.**, **Samuel J.** and **Sarah**.

Politically, he is a Republican. He has filled various local offices, such as supervisor, Village President and President of the School Board, and he was instrumental in introducing a new system of school management. He is identified with the Masonic fraternity, having his membership with the blue lodge at

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**Negaunee**, in the commandery at **Marquette**, and in the consistory at Grand Rapids.

Such, in brief, is a sketch of the life of one of Iron county's best and most useful citizens. [pages 564-565]

**HUGH McLAUGHLIN**, engaged in the real-estate [*sic – real estate*] and insurance business in **Iron Mountain**, was born in the township of Brookfield, Waukesha county, Wisconsin, February 22, 1846, a son of **James McLaughlin**, a native of county Mayo, province of Connaught, Ireland. He emigrated to America in 1830, locating in Albany, New York, where he followed agricultural pursuits.

Hugh McLaughlin attended the public schools until seventeen years of age, then spent a year and a half in Carroll College, Waukesha, and then entered Bryant & Stratton's Business College, Milwaukee. In 1869, with an elder brother, he purchased the Healy & Company grocery business, at Chicago, Illinois, and was engaged in that occupation two years. Mr. McLaughlin then spent five years with the Kirby-Carpenter Lumber Company, of **Menominee**, [and] from that time until 1884 was engaged in the insurance business at **Quinnesec**, and then embarked in the same occupation in **Iron Mountain**. In 1889 he sold out to the **First National Bank**, and since that time has been engaged in the real-estate [*sic – real estate*] business.

Mr. McLaughlin was the first Clerk of **Breitung township**, having held that position seven years; was also the first Registrar of Deeds after the **county of Dickinson** was organized, having been appointed by **Governor Winans**, and was the first President of the Board of Education. In his social relations he is a thirty-second-degree Mason, a member of

Iron Mountain Lodge, F. & A.M.; of Iron Mountain Chapter, R.A.M.; Lake Superior Commandery, and of DeWitt Clinton Consistory, S.P.R.S., Grand Rapids.

In 1878 Mr. McLaughlin was united in marriage with Miss **Maggie Donovan**, of Oconto, Wisconsin. To this union have been born four children, – two sons and two daughters. [page 212]

**DR. J.A. McLEOD**, an eminent physician and surgeon of **Ironwood**, Michigan, and a prominent factor in the growth and development of the town, is a gentleman of whom more than passing mention should be made in this work. Following is a *resume* of his life:

J.A. McLeod was born in Lancaster, Glengarry county, Canada, November 11, 1854, and is of Scotch descent. His grandfather McLeod was extensively engaged in raising sheep in Scotland, came to America when a young man, and in Montreal, Canada, acquired a large amount of property. He died while in the prime of life. At the time of his coming to America his son, **Alexander**, the father of our subject, was eleven years of age. The latter was reared in Canada and was a farmer by occupation. He died at the age of eighty-four years. The Doctor's mother, whose maiden name was **Anna Wood**, was a native of New York city. **Alexander Wood**, her father, was a merchant in New York, and during the Revolutionary war removed with his family to Canada, their location being in Lancaster. He reached the advanced age of ninety-six years. Dr. McLeod's mother was twice married: By her first husband, a **Mr. Curry**, she had five children as follows: **Johnson T., Joseph, Elizabeth, Jennie,** and **S.S.** [See *biography of Solomon S. Curry above.*]; and the children by her second marriage also

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were five in number, their names being **A.A.**, a prominent railroad man of New York, **Isabelle**, deceased; **Henrietta**, wife of **Dr. Norton**, of California; **Alexander**, who died when young; and **J.A.**, the youngest of the ten and the subject of this article.

Dr. McLeod was reared in Canada and received the greater part of his education there. He spent one year at Michigan State University [*sic* – *University of Michigan*] at Ann Arbor, completing his medical course in that institution and graduating in the class of 1878. After his graduation he was appointed surgeon of the **Menominee Mining Company**. He subsequently removed to Milwaukee and there practiced his profession for a number of years, until 1887, when he came to **Ironwood**, Michigan. Here he received the appointment of surgeon for the **Metropolitan Iron and Land Company**, and also for other companies, and in addition to this work has conducted a large general practice. Since his location here he has in many ways been prominently identified with the interests of the place. He is the proprietor of a drug store; is president of the **Ironwood Stove Company**, owning a half interest in the business; was one of the organizers of the **Ironwood Electric Company** and served as one of its first officers; helped to organize and served as an officer of the **Twin City Railway Company**; was president of the **Curry Hotel Company**; was one of the organizers of the **First National Bank of Ironwood**, and served as vice-president of the same; and is now a stockholder in the **People's Banking Company**, which he helped to organize. In short, he is one of the most enterprising and public-spirited men, and he generously extends his hearty support to all enterprises which, in his opinion, are

intended to promote the welfare of the town. The Doctor is a member of the Wisconsin State Medical Society, the Milwaukee Medical Society, and the New York Medical Society.

Dr. McLeod was married in 1880 to Miss **Isabel Prime**, a native of Wisconsin and a daughter of **O.B. Prime**, now of **Ironwood**. They have had four children, three of whom are living, – **Roderick C.**, **Della Jean**, and **John A., Jr.**

Politically, the Doctor is a Democrat. He is not, however, a politician, although he takes an active interest in public affairs. For six years he served as a member of the Ironwood School Board, a portion of that time being its president. He also has served as a member of the City Council. Socially, he is identified with the Masonic order. He has a membership in the blue lodge and commandery at Ironwood and the chapter at Bessemer.

Dr. McLeod is also prominently known as a member of the National Guards. He assisted in the organization of the Curry Rifles, an independent organization, and was first Captain of the company; and when this company was admitted to the National Guard and became a part of the Fifth Regiment, he was appointed surgeon of the regiment. In 1894 he was detailed as acting Brigade Surgeon of the Michigan National Guards.

Thus[,] in professional, business and social circles Dr. McLeod has high standing. Personally, he is a gentleman of pleasing address, always genial and courteous, and is as popular as he is well known. Much more might be said of him, but enough has already been given to serve as an index to his character. [*pages 523-524; portrait, page 522*]

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**R.T. [RUDOLPH T.] MILLER**, Notary Public, Justice of the Peace, and City Clerk of **Iron Mountain**, was born in Sweden, January 12, 1864, the eldest son of **George and Caroline (Nissen) Miller**, natives of Germany, but the mother was reared in Sweden. Our subject graduated at the University of Lund in 1884, and two years afterward he came to America, locating at Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was engaged in various occupations there until January 8, 1890, when he removed to **Ishpeming**, Michigan, and in March of the same year he came to **Iron Mountain**. After locating here, Mr. Miller immediately embarked in the real-estate [*sic – real estate*] and insurance business. Since 1892 he has served as Justice of the Peace and City Clerk, and January 9, 1892, he received the appointment of Notary Public. In political matters he is an active worker in the Republican party, and socially he affiliates with the A.O.U.W., of Iron Mountain.

In 1890 Mr. Miller was united in marriage with **Hilda Van Norman**, a native of Sweden, but of German parentage. They have two children, – **Henry R.** and **Fritz Norman**. [*page 211*]

**SAMUEL MITCHELL**, president of the **Jackson Iron Company**, is one of the most prominent business men [*sic- businessmen*] of the Upper Peninsula. His efforts have largely promoted the material prosperity of the State [*sic – state*], and he has been instrumental in its upbuilding and advancement. He is a self-made man and the spirit of self-help is the source of all genuine worth in the individual. His connection with mining and public affairs in this community has been such as to justly entitle him to representation in the history of Northern Michigan, and with pleasure we present to our readers the record of his life.

Mr. Mitchell is a native of Devonshire, England, born April 11, 1845, and is a son of **George Mitchell**, a Devonshire farmer. He attended the public schools of his native land until he had arrived at the age of ten years, when he left the school room, laying aside his text-books [*sic – textbooks*] in order to earn his own living. Thus early in life he was thrown upon his own resources, and few indeed have been the privileges and advantages which he received in his youth, but he worked on quietly and patiently day by day and year by year, and wrung practical favors from perverse fortune. It seems that the men who have obtained the most brilliant success in life are those who have had to fight their way against obstacles and difficulties, but perseverance and energy at length triumph and the fruits of their labor are then ready for the harvest. Mr. Mitchell was first employed in a grocery store owned by William Herne & Company, and after a year began work in a fancy confectionery and bakery, where he continued two years. His next service was in the copper mines, where he remained until eighteen years of age, and thus an extended period of preparation fitted him for the present responsible position which he to-day [*sic – today*] occupies.

When a young man of eighteen[,] Mr. Mitchell determined to seek a home in America, believing that better opportunities and advantages were afforded here for young men. He accordingly sailed for the United States and made his way to the copper regions. Here years before the uncivilized tribes had engaged in copper mining and yet the supply in nature's depositories was not exhausted. Mr. Mitchell secured a position as a common miner in the **Phoenix mine**, but remained there only about a month when he obtained

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work from the **Madison Copper Mining Company**, with which he continued for a year. On the expiration of that period he secured a position with the **Delaware Mine Company**, remaining in service there for about six months. After spending two months with the **Calumet Company** and four months in the old **Cliff mine**, he came to the Iron Range and worked in the **Washington mine** at **Humboldt** for three years. The year 1870 witnessed his arrival in **Negaunee**. He had hitherto been employed as a common miner, and his first work after arriving in this city was to take a contract to deliver iron ore on the cars, the ore being taken from the mine of the old **Negaunee Mining Company**, and from the **South Jackson** property. He finished that contract at the close of 1871, and in January, 1872, took another contract from the old **Saginaw mine** to take out ore by the ton until the following spring. According to the terms of his next contract he took out ore for the **Lake Superior Company**. During these various connections he was accumulating some capital, preparatory to becoming a stockholder in mines himself. He thoroughly understands mining in all its details, as well as in its major points, and his services were therefore very valuable.

In the spring of 1873 Mr. Mitchell was appointed mine captain of the property of the **Saginaw Mining Company**, and on the first of the following December was given charge of all their property, being the sole superintendent of their business until 1882, when they closed. In 1876 Mr. Mitchell also bought the **Shanango mine** near **Ishpeming** and organized the **Mitchell Iron Mine Company**, but the property was sold in 1883. In 1878 he entered into partnership with **A.G. Stone**, of Cleveland, Ohio, and leased 160 acres of land from the **Lake Superior Iron Company** and

discovered what was known as the **National iron mine**, which he worked until 1884. In 1879 he leased for the **Saginaw Company** the **Perkins mine** on the **Menominee Range** at **Norway**, and worked that mine until 1885. In 1883 he began operations on the property now known as the **Negaunee mine**, and for the same people who comprised the old **Saginaw Mining Company**, beginning to sink the shaft in 1885. The entire development of that mine was under the immediate supervision of Mr. Mitchell, who had great confidence that the property would become a paying investment. His knowledge and sagacity were soon demonstrated, and in the year 1894 they took out of the mine 132,492 tons of ore. He is still in charge of this mine. In January, 1887, he went to New York city to negotiate for the purchase of the **Jackson mine**, and successfully completing his bargain he has since been president and general manager of the **Jackson mine**, which under his able administration has never been shut down.

On February 1, 1886, Mr. Mitchell purchased a controlling interest in the leases of the **Montreal River Iron Mining Company** and the **Section Thirty-three Iron Mining Company** on the Wisconsin end of the **Gogebic Range**, and explored and developed those properties into producing and paying mines. They are now in operation, although Mr. Mitchell sold his interests in them to Cleveland parties some years ago. In 1890, with others, he purchased a controlling interest in the **Blue Iron Company's** lease and explored and developed that mine into a producing property, having to sink a shaft 450 feet deep to reach the ore body. In addition to his other mining interests Mr. Mitchell is the president and general manager of the **Blue**

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**Mine of Negaunee**, is secretary and treasurer of the **Vermillion Pine and Iron Land Company** and treasurer of the **Mitchell Iron and Land Company**. He is interested in four steamships engaged in freighting ore, namely: the **William Chisholm**, **J.H. Devereaux**, **J.W. Wade** and the **Sam Mitchell**.

The subject of this record has done much toward developing the mining interests and resources of this part of the State [*sic – state*], an industry which has brought much wealth and commercial activity to this region. Gifts of money, judiciously expended, may add to the beauty and attractive appearance of a town, but the real benefactors of a community are the men who add to its progress and prosperity through the establishment of enterprises which furnish employment to others and thus promote commercial activity. A locality may be like a lake, – beautiful, but still as the waters, – but it is life and action that pleases the Western man, for it is in keeping with the progressive spirit of the age. Mr. Mitchell is a man of great capabilities in many directions, and the banking interests of this section of the State [*sic – state*] bear the mark of his handiwork. He is the honored vice-president of the **First National Bank of Negaunee**, a director of the **Marquette County Savings Bank**, of **Marquette**; president of the **First National Bank of Hurley, Wisconsin**; director of the **First National Bank of Escanaba**; a stockholder in the **Lincoln National Bank of Chicago**, and one of the organizers of the **Bank of Ishpeming**. When he is connected with the management of a banking institution one may feel assured that it is conducted on sound business principles, honorable business methods, and that it is a safe, conservative institution.

Mr. Mitchell was united in marriage with Miss **Elizabeth Penglaze**, of England, and to them have been born eleven children, three of whom are now married. They have a fine home, which stands as a monument to thrift and enterprise of the owner, who came to this country a penniless young man, and for three years after his arrival sent home to his parents nearly everything he earned. Not on the plains of affluence, but in the valley of limited circumstances, with the rough and rugged path of hard undertaking before him, he commenced the ascent, worked his way steadily upward, climbing higher and higher until, in the prime of life, he stands on the mountain top of prosperity. [*page 595-597; portrait, page 594*]

**M.H. MORIARITY**, the efficient and popular Prosecuting Attorney of **Iron county**, is one of the native sons of Michigan, his birth having occurred in Lenawee county, on the 27th of September, 1859. His parents, **Michael and Ellen (O'Neil) Moriarity**, were both natives of the Emerald Isle. Leaving the land of their birth, in 1834, they crossed the broad Atlantic to the New World, and in 1845 took up their residence in Lenawee county, Michigan, where the father still makes his home at a ripe old age. The mother passed away at the age of seventy-two years.

The gentleman whose name heads this review is the youngest of a family of seven children, four sons and three daughters. Under the parental roof he was reared to manhood, and in the district schools he acquired his preliminary education, after which he spent several years in the high school of Hudson, Michigan. He is now well informed, a man of broad general information. On completing his education he entered upon his business career,

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securing employment in the railway mail service, but was not content to devote his life to that labor. He determined to enter professional circles, and in 1885 began reading law in the office of **Thomas J. Hiller**, of Hudson, Michigan. In December, 1887, he was admitted to the bar in Adrian, Michigan, and two years later opened a law office in **Iron Mountain**, where he made his home until 1890. In that year he came to **Crystal Falls**, where he has since been actively engaged in the prosecution of his chosen profession. He is thorough and systematic in anything he undertakes, and these qualities are manifest in the preparation of his cases, which bear evidence of great care and attention. He is thus ready to meet his opponents in argument, and his logical, convincing and forceful addresses carry weight with judge and jury.

Mr. Moriarty has been honored with a number of public offices, has served in various minor positions in his village, township and county, and was appointed by the Board of Supervisors as County Commissioner of Schools. In 1892 he was elected to the office of Prosecuting Attorney, and so ably did he discharge the duties that he was re-elected on the expiration of his first term, and is now serving in that capacity in a most creditable and acceptable manner. He is a popular man of genial and pleasant disposition, and in the community where he now lives he has the high regard of many friends. [pages 548-549]

**MAJOR A. NORTHRUP**, as cashier of the **First National Bank of Iron Mountain**, Michigan, occupies a prominent position among the representative business men [sic – businessmen] of the city. The banking institution with which he is

connected was organized in November, 1887, with a capital stock of \$50,000, and with **J.R. Wood**, president; and **A.G. Pearse**, vice-president. Since that date it has done a general banking business. Its present board of directors is composed of the following named gentlemen: **J.R. Wood**, president; **John Perkins**, Appleton, Wisconsin, vice-president; **M.A. Northrup**, cashier; and **W.S. Laing** and **Dr. J.D. Cameron**.

Mr. Northrup is a native of the Empire State. He was born in Livingston county, February 10, 1864, son of **R.L. and Harriet (Thomas) Northrup**, both natives of New York. His father is deceased and his mother is now a resident of Ionia, Michigan. Of their family, only two are now living, – the subject of our sketch and his sister, **Mrs. F.W. Sherman**, of Petosky, Michigan. Since his early childhood Mr. Northrup has been a resident of Michigan, having been brought to Ionia in the fall of 1868. At that place he was reared and educated, and after completing his education he was for eight years employed as bookkeeper of the **First National Bank of Ionia**. Then he was with the **Ishpeming National Bank** one year, was cashier of the **First National Bank at Bessemer**, Michigan, six months, and since January, 1892, has occupied his present position as cashier of the **First National Bank of Iron Mountain**. He is also a stockholder and director of the **Range Tribune** of this place.

In political matters, Mr. Northrup takes a commendable interest, affiliating with the Republican party. While a resident of Ionia he served as City Treasurer. He is a young man of strict integrity, excellent business ability and high social standing, and is bound to make his mark in the world. [page 545]

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**JAMES O'CALLAGHAN**, of the firm of **O'Callaghan Brothers & Company**, manufacturers of lumber, shingles, posts, ties, etc., **Norway**, Michigan, is ranked with the progressive and enterprising business men [*sic – businessmen*] of the town.

He was born in Canada, January 25, 1851. His father, **Patrick O'Callaghan**, a native of county Clare, Ireland, came to America when a young man, and settled in Buckingham, province of Quebec, Canada, where he reared his family. James attended public school until he was fifteen, and then assisted his father on the farm until 1869, when he moved to Ottawa, Ontario, and was employed as a clerk in the general merchandise store of **James Buchanan**, for whom he worked seven years. After this he came to **Escanaba**, Michigan, where his brother **John** was engaged in the lumber and general merchandise business: that was the fall of 1877. He clerked for his brother about six months and then went to **Waucedah**, Michigan, and took charge of a general store for **John K. Stack**, continuing there eight months. His next move was to **Norway**, where he again began to work for his brother **John**, who had opened a lumber mill at **Norway**, and after completing a commercial course in the Oshkosh Business College, he was employed as bookkeeper at the mill for five years. At the end of five years he bought an interest in the business and took entire charge of its management, the firm then becoming **O'Callaghan Brothers & Company**. By this time another brother, **George**, had become an active member of the firm. In July, 1889, the mill burned down, but through the push and pluck of James O'Callaghan a much larger and better one was built and running in ninety days. At this writing **John** is retired, and James and

**George** are conducting the business. They also have a general store which they run in connection with the lumber business.

James O'Callaghan was married in July, 1886, to Miss **Mary McGeehan**, of De Pere, Wisconsin, and they are the parents of four children, – two sons and two daughters.

Mr. O'Callaghan was elected a member of the Board of Education of the city of **Norway** in 1891 and served in that capacity for three years. He was also one of the promoters in organizing the **Savings & Loan Association of Norway**, in 1890, and was elected one of the first directors and also treasurer of the association, which office he now holds. In 1892, when the Catholic Order of Foresters was organized, he was elected their Chief Ranger, and is now Past Chief Ranger and also Treasurer of his court; and he was appointed a delegate to the Foresters' convention, which was held in St. Paul, Minnesota, in June, 1894.

In the summer of 1891 he built a beautiful residence on **Sunset Hill**, which is considered the handsomest in the city, and where he now resides. [*pages 493-494*]

**CHASE S. OSBORN**, State Game and Fish Warden for the State of Michigan, and editor of the **Sault Ste. Marie News**, is one of the most prominent citizens of this section of the State [*sic – state*], a leader in political and business life and a prominent journalist, who has exerted a strong influence in behalf of all that tends to the advancement and development of his adopted State [*sic – state*].

He was born in Huntington county, Indiana, January 22, 1860, descending from a family of Danish and ancient English origin. The name Osborn originated in Denmark and was first spelled **Osbjerne**,

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the meaning of which is polar bear or god bear. About 300 A.D. a Danish Jarl or Earl named **Osborne**, [sic] invaded England at the head of an army of Norsemen, whence started the English family. The name on reaching America had become **Osborne**, but a division in the family arising over the American Revolution, [sic] led the patriot branch to drop the final e, while the Tory branch retained it. A grandfather and granduncle of our subject were soldiers in the Colonial army, one serving as a Captain and the other as a preacher under the immediate command of **Washington**. His grandmother, during the war of 1812, moulded [sic – molded] bullets for the use of the Federal army in the defense of Washington city, when the British came up the Potomac. Her husband was a Lieutenant in the service. The paternal grandfather, **Isaac Osborn**, was a river trader, running between Cincinnati and New Orleans, and was murdered for his money on one of those trips. A native of New Jersey, he removed thence to New York in 1806, and afterward crossed the mountains, settling in Indiana. He married a **Miss Pardee**, a descendant of **George**, the "Settler," who was a passenger on the Mayflower.

The father of our subject, **Dr. George A. Osborn**, was born in Madison, Indiana, February 28, 1823, was educated in the university of his native State [sic – state], and is now a physician of State [sic – state] reputation, residing in South Bend, Indiana. He was reared in Ohio, and was a promoter of the "underground railroads" in the ante-bellum days. On the organization of the Republican party he joined its ranks and has ever since been one of its stalwart advocates, but has never sought office. He married **Margaret A. Fannon**, who was born in Circleville, Ohio, April 30, 1829, a

daughter of **John Fannon**, who was a native of Virginia, but his father was born in the north of Ireland. The maternal great-grandmother of our subject, **Martha McKenna**, was born in Kentucky, and there married **James McGrath**, a native of the north of Ireland. The children of **Dr. and Mrs. Osborn** are as follows: **Eugene B.**, a resident of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; **Stephen P.**, a farmer of Indiana; **Emma**, wife of **David N. Reed**, of Octagon, Indiana; **Georgiana**, wife of **F.W. Brown**, an attorney of Chicago, connected with the Armour Packing Company; **Chase S.**; **Horace E.**; **Charles R.**, a dealer in horses; and **William D.**, who is with the firm of Studebaker Brothers, of South Bend, Indiana.

Chase S. Osborn was reared in La Fayette, Indiana, began his education in its public schools and completed it in Purdue University, which he left at the age of seventeen to enter a newspaper office. He had previously done newspaper work as correspondent and reporter on the **La Fayette Home Journal**. Later, going to Chicago, he did miscellaneous newspaper work until 1880, when he went to Milwaukee and became the managing editor of the **Signal**. He subsequently filled an editorial position on the **Milwaukee Evening Wisconsin**, and in 1883 he went to **Florence, Wisconsin**, where, in connection with **James I. Toner**, he purchased the **Florence Mining News**, editing it as an independent Republican paper, its columns being devoted to the development of the mining interests in that portion of the country. After the first year he purchased his partner's interest and conducted the paper alone for three years, when he sold out to **Messrs. Campbell & Youngs**, of Milwaukee. He then returned to Milwaukee, and in April, 1887,

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established the **Miner and Manufacturer**, in connection with leading newspaper men of that city, but managed and edited that paper only a few weeks when he sold out and became city editor of the **Milwaukee Sentinel**. He took this only as a temporary position and looked about him in search of another location. He visited **Sault de Ste. Marie**, and, being much pleased with the place, purchased the **News of William Chandler & Company**, beginning its publication in November of the same year. His purchasing partner was **Melville A. Hoyt**, owner of the **Milwaukee Daily News**, and a year later **Mr. Dingwall** was admitted to partnership; but in 1889 Mr. Osborn bought out his partners and has since been sole owner. The News is the oldest and the leading Republican paper on the peninsula.

Mr. Osborn has been a contributor to many periodicals and magazines, of articles mostly of a descriptive nature. He is a vigorous and fluent writer, making every sentence count, and is a ready and entertaining speaker. His ably conducted paper has won a liberal patronage and the owner has become prominent in journalistic circles.

Mr. Osborn takes a very prominent part in political affairs and is a stalwart advocate of the Republican party. In 1889 he was appointed Postmaster of **Sault de Ste. Marie** by **President Harrison**, and held the office for four years. In 1892 he purchased the **Sault de Ste. Marie Tribune**, and consolidated it with the **News**, with the view of furthering the interests of the Republican party. In 1894 he was elected vice-president of the Michigan Press Association, and president of the Michigan Republican Press Association, composed of the daily and weekly Republican papers of this State *[sic – state]*. In January, 1895, he was appointed, after an excited contest

of more than two hundred competitors, as State Game and Fish Warden, for a term of four years. He is chairman of the Assembly District Republican Committee, a member of the Republican Congressional Committee, and through the columns of his paper and upon the platform he also labors earnestly in support of his party. He is also actively interested in several social organizations, and holds membership in La Sault de Sainte Marie Club, the Fellowcraft Club, of Detroit, Milwaukee Press Club and the St. Paul Press Club. He affiliates with the Masonic fraternity, the Knights of Pythias and the Odd Fellows, having taken the Encampment degrees, and is also connected with the Protective and Benovolent Order of Elks. He has made a special study of the geology of the **Lake Superior** region, of the ornithology of Michigan, and is a member of the American Ornithologists' Union, the American Academy of Political and Social Science and of the Michigan Academy of Science.

Mr. Osborn was married in Milwaukee May 7, 1881, to Miss **Lillian G. Jones**, a daughter of **Edward Jones**, deceased, who was born in Wales and was formerly a manufacturer of Milwaukee. He married **Louisa A. Irvine**, a native of Dublin, Ireland, and and *[sic]* to them were born the following children: **Frank P.**, a resident of Wyoming; **Delia**, wife of **Frank Carney**, of Milwaukee; **Emma**, wife of **M.J. Hogan**, a custom broker of Milwaukee; **Edward**, of Chicago; and **John A.** and **Mae**, of Milwaukee. **Mr. and Mrs. Osborn** have four children, – **Ethel L.**, **George A.**, **Chase S.** and **Emily F.** *[pages 417-419; portrait, page 416]*

*[NOTE: Chase Salmon Osborn was governor of Michigan from 1911-1912.]*

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**CHARLES E. PARENT.** – This gentleman has been in business in **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, longer than any other merchant in this city, and is therefore ranked with its pioneers.

Mr. Parent is a native of Lower Canada, born July 16, 1847, one of a family of four children, and the only one now residing in Michigan. His boyhood days were spent in Canada and his education received in the common schools. Since 1865 he has been in the United States. The first year he was engaged in lumbering in Maine. In 1866 he came to Michigan and located at **Menominee**, where he continued in the lumber business two years. After that he turned his attention to merchandising in **Menominee**, and was occupied there in that way until 1879, the date of his coming to **Iron Mountain**. The few people who were here at that time were living in tents. He built the first house in the town, on Stephenson street [*sic – Avenue*], and in it opened up a stock of goods and had a lively trade. Eight months later he sold out. Then he erected a frame house on the site of the present brick block, and in 1888 he put up the building he now occupies. He carries a fine stock of general merchandise, employs seven clerks in his establishment, and is doing a thriving business, receiving his full share of patronage. He also has a flour and feed store, located on the corner of Stephenson avenue and Brown street. In various ways Mr. Parent has done much to promote the growth and development of the town. He has an interest in the **Iron Mountain Electric Light and Power Company**, and he has also made investments elsewhere. He has a farm of fifty acres, all cleared and under cultivation, in **Florence county, Wisconsin**, and he has some mining interests in [*sic – on the*] **Menominee Range**.

Mr. Parent was married December 27, 1871, to Miss **Ella E. Bradford**, like himself, a native of Canada. They are the parents of five children, namely: **Mary V., E.C., Charles B., Emma A., and Amelia M.**

In his political affiliations Mr. Parent has always been an ardent Republican. He served as Postmaster of **Iron Mountain** five years, his first appointment having been made by **President Garfield** and the second by **President Arthur**. Also he has filled the office of Township Supervisor, and for eight years was a member of the City School Board, during that time serving as Secretary and Treasurer of the board. Fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, having his membership in the blue lodge and chapter at Iron Mountain and in the commandery at Menominee, and he is also a member of the A.O.U.W., of Iron Mountain. Mrs. Parent is a member of the Episcopal church. [*pages 209-210*]

**ALEXIS PATENAUDE**, a druggist of **Norway**, was born at **Marquette**, Michigan, October 27, 1856, a son of **Timothy Patenaude**, a native of Canada. Alexis attended the public schools of his native city until nineteen years of age, and then went to live with a priest, **Father Comtois**, to study and prepare himself to enter college. At about the age of twenty-two years he was admitted to Joliette College of Canada, and in one year completed his classical course. Mr. Patenaude's first employment was as a drug clerk for **John Crowley**, of **Marquette**, remaining in that store three years; for the following two years he was a drug clerk for **H.H. Sanford & Son**, and he then came to **Norway** and took charge of the drug store of **Dr. L.J. Kimball**, who was at that time postmaster of **Norway**, and Mr. Patenaude also had entire charge of the postoffice [*sic – post*]

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office] as well as the drug store. In the summer of 1882 he took charge of the drug store which was involved in a lawsuit and remained three months, or until the suit was settled. January 25, 1883, he formed a partnership with **W.B. High**, and they opened a drug store under the firm name **Patenaude & High**, which continued until October 19, 1885, and our subject has ever since conducted the business in his own name. In April, 1888, he added a jewelry store to his drug business, but June 9, in the same year, he was burned out in the great fire which destroyed the largest portion of the town of **Norway**, his loss reaching about \$15,000! Mr. Patenaude reopened his drug store in the council room and used a large dry-goods [*sic – dry goods*] box for a prescription counter. He afterward erected a two-story brick building, which is furnished with the most costly black-walnut [*sic – black walnut*] fixtures.

Mr. Patenaude was married in 1882 to **Miss M.E. Burns**, of **Rockland**, Michigan, and they have one daughter living, aged nine years, and their son died in infancy. Mr. Patenaude was Town Clerk before **Norway** was incorporated, and he is at the present time Justice of the Peace. After the hardest political campaign that **Norway** ever witnessed, Mr. Patenaude was elected Mayor of the city of **Norway** by an overwhelming majority, April 1, 1895. Socially, he is a member of the Foresters, the K. of P., and he organized and was President of the John [*sic – Jean*] Baptiste Society for three years. [page 215]

**JOSEPH PECARD**, a hardware merchant of **Bessemer**, Michigan, dates his identity with this city from 1885. In 1890 he engaged in the hardware business here in partnership with a **Mr. Jeffery**, subsequently purchased the interest of his

partner, and has since carried on the business alone. He is also largely interested in real estate here.

Mr. Pecard was born in Canada, December 1, 1840, son of **Joseph and Mary (Schameno) Pecard**, both natives of Canada, where they passed their lives and died. They had a family of five children, Joseph being the third born. He started out in life on his own responsibility when he was only eleven years of age and was employed by the month in a lumber business and afterward at farming. In 1862 he tendered his services to the Union army, and, as a member of Company C, Second Battalion New York, went to the front; was in the service three years, going in as a private and being promoted to the rank of Sergeant. Among the important engagements in which he participated were those of the Wilderness, Spotsylvania Court House, Cold Harbor, and Petersburg. In the latter part of 1864 he was wounded in the right thigh by a piece of shell and was taken to the hospital near Philadelphia, where he remained for some time. He was discharged at New York Harbor in 1866.

After the war, we find Mr. Pecard in the far West. For about three years he was engaged in freighting and teaming in Wyoming, Colorado and Utah. Then he spent two years in Wisconsin, in the lumber business, and in 1872 came to northern Michigan, locating in **Menominee**, where he continued the same occupation two years longer. After that he turned his attention to his hotel business, which he followed about ten years, at different times having charge of a number of houses. He built a hotel in **Quinnesec**, and after operating it a short time returned to **Menominee**, where he was successively engaged in the grocery and feed, hardware, and livery business. From **Menominee** he

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came to **Bessemer** in 1885, as above stated, and has since been connected with the interests of this place.

Mr. Pecard is a member of the Maccabees [*sic – Maccabees*] and also of the Grand Army of the Republic. He is ranked with the representative business men [*sic – businessmen*] of the town, and is held in high esteem by a large circle of friends. [*page 511*]

**ALFRED J. RUNDLE**, dealer in hardware and miners' supplies, **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, is one of the most enterprising young business men [*sic – businessmen*] of the town.

Mr. Rundle was born at **Rockland**, Michigan, August 19, 1862, and is a son of **L.B. Rundle**, a native of England. He attended the public schools until he was seventeen years of age, when he entered upon his apprenticeship to the trade of machinist, and served two years. After that he came to **Iron Mountain** and secured a position as machinist in the shops of the **Chapin mine**. A year later he engaged in the hardware business with an elder brother. Subsequently he purchased his brother's interest, and has since conducted the business in his own name, having an extensive and increasing trade. His establishment is the largest of its kind in **Iron Mountain**. Mr. Rundle is also owner of the **Rundle Opera House**, which has a seating capacity of 900 people. He is public-spirited and enterprising, gives his support to all measures intended to advance the interests of the city, and is regarded as one of its most worthy citizens.

Socially, Mr. Rundle is identified with the Masonic order and the Knights of Pythias. He was married July 17, 1889, to Miss **Emma Hook**, of Amboy, Illinois, and they have one son. [*pages 212-213*]

**JOHN RUSSELL**, one of the prosperous merchants of **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, has been engaged in business here since 1884. That year he opened up a stock of general merchandise on Fleshiem street, continued there until 1887, and then erected the building he has since occupied, this being the first brick building in Iron Mountain. He carries a fine assortment of all kinds of general merchandise and has an excellent trade.

Mr. Russell was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, May 18, 1858, son of **John Russell**, who still resides in Scotland. He was reared in his native town and there learned the grocery business. In 1879, on attaining his majority, he came to America and located at Chicago, securing a position in a grocery establishment in that city and remaining there until 1884, when as above stated, he came to **Iron Mountain** and became a general merchant.

Mr. Russell was married in 1893 to **Marion Burdon**, a native of Green Bay, Wisconsin, and a daughter of one of the early settlers of that place. For some time previous to her marriage Mrs. Russell was one of the popular and successful teachers in the public schools of **Iron Mountain**. They have one child, **Adelaide**.

Faternally, Mr. Russell is identified with the blue lodge and chapter, F. & A.M., of Iron Mountain; also of the A.O.U.W. His political sympathies are with the Republican party. [*pages 597-598*]

**RICHARD M. SAMPSON, JR.**, of **Norway**, Dickinson county, was born at **Houghton**, Michigan, October 15, 1858, a son of **R.M. Sampson**, a native of England and a miner by trade. He came to this country about 1854, and, after spending two years in Canada, he located at **Holton**

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[sic – Houghton], Michigan, in the copper country. He still resides there, but has retired from active business.

Richard M., our subject, left school at the age of nineteen years, after which he worked for his father two years, and then came to this city and was made assistant station agent for his brother, **John D. Sampson**, station agent at **Norway** for the **Chicago & Northwestern Railroad**. After remaining there eight years, Mr. Sampson took the management of the general mercantile store of **John Lindquist** for three years, was then appointed Postmaster under **President Harrison's** administration, continuing in that position until March, 1894, and in the following September he secured the management of his brother's general mercantile store, in which he is still engaged.

Mr. Sampson has been twice married, – the first time to Miss **Kate Lyon**, a native of **Norway**, who at her death left one daughter, now seven years old. He then married Miss **Genevieve LaComb**, a native of Fort Howard, Wisconsin, and by this marriage also there is a daughter, now eighteen months old. In his social relations, Mr. Sampson is a Master Mason and a member of the A.O.U.W. and the Sons of St. George. He has always taken an active interest in politics, voting with the Republican party, and he was made chairman of the Republican county central committee in 1863-4. [pages 216-217]

**CARL SCHULDES**, a popular and enterprising citizen of **Iron Mountain**, who is now acceptably and creditably serving as Postmaster, has been a resident of this place since the spring of 1882. A native of Austria, he was born on the 23d [sic – 23rd] of September, 1839, and is a son of **Anton and Elizabeth (Stark) Schuldes**, whose

family numbered eight children, six sons and two daughters, Carl being the sixth in order of birth. The father carried on agricultural pursuits and upon the old homestead farm in his native land the subject of this review spent the first seven years of his life.

It was at that time that he accompanied his parents to the New World. Severing the ties that bound them to their old home, they took passage upon a sailing vessel, and after a voyage of several weeks reached their destination. They took up their residence in Appleton, Wisconsin, where Carl Schuldes further pursued his education by attending the common schools of that place for four years. At the early age of eleven years he started out to make his way in the world, and whatever success he has achieved in life is due entirely to his own efforts. He first secured a clerkship in a store and continued his connection with mercantile pursuits for some years thereafter.

Mr. Schuldes remained in the Badger State until the year 1882, when he came to **Iron Mountain**, with the development and progress of which he has since been identified. He takes an active interest in all that pertains to the welfare of the community, and is a public-spirited citizen whose support and co-operation are withheld from no interests which are calculated to prove of public benefit. In the spring of 1883, he engaged in the dry-goods [sic – dry goods] and clothing business there, and, building up a good trade, successfully carried on operations in that line until 1892, when he sold out and turned his attention to the insurance business, which he yet follows. He was appointed to his present position as Postmaster of **Iron Mountain** in September, 1894, and his administration of

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the affairs of the office have won him the commendation of all concerned.

In August, 1883, Mr. Schuldes was united in marriage with Miss **Nora Allard**, a native of Vermont, who at the time of her marriage resided in Wisconsin, her parents being **Moses and Elizabeth Allard**. Mr. and Mrs. Schuldes have a family of five children, four sons and a daughter, namely: **Winfield, Martha E., Harold, Malcom and Kenneth**. [pages 607-608]

**EDWARD SCOTT**, Postmaster of **Iron River**, Michigan, is one of the popular young men of the town, and we take pleasure in making the following personal mention of him in this work:

Edward Scott was born in **Escanaba**, Michigan, June 10, 1870. His father, **William Scott**, a native of New York, came west to Chicago about the year 1865. The following year he came up into Michigan, and from that time until 1869 was captain of a tug-boat [sic – tugboat]. In 1869 he located at **Escanaba**. He was employed there as a foreman in the roundhouse, and remained in that city until 1882, when he came to **Iron River**, engaging in business here. He died in **Iron River**, at the age of fifty-four years. William Scott's father was a Scotchman by birth and came to this country as a young man. The mother of our subject was by maiden name Miss **Catherine Hegerty**. She is of Irish birth, came to America when twenty-five years of age, and is still living, now at the age of sixty years. William Scott and his wife had four children, three sons and one daughter, Edward being the youngest.

Edward Scott spent the first twelve years of his life in his native town, **Escanaba**, and then came with his parents to **Iron River**. Since his father's death he has continued to reside with his mother. In

1893 he was elected Township Clerk, and the following year Township Treasurer, and in 1894 he was appointed Postmaster of **Iron River** by **President Cleveland**. He is also now serving as Secretary of the School Board. In all of these positions he has by his energy, his promptness and his natural business ability, together with his genial manner, proved himself to be the right man in the right place.

Socially, Mr. Scott is a member of the K. of P., No. 162, Iron River, and in his political views he is Democratic. [pages 545-546]

**LEWIS T. STERLING**, engaged in the insurance and real-estate [sic – real estate] business in **Iron Mountain**, was born in St. Lawrence county, New York, October 7, 1851. His father, **William E. Sterling**, was born and reared in Lyme, Connecticut, but moved to St. Lawrence county when a young man, where he was engaged in mercantile pursuits. He spent the remainder of his life there, dying at the age of sixty-five years. His father, **William Sterling**, was born in Scotland, and came to America when a young man. With two others Mr. Sterling owned a number of ships, and was engaged in the West India trade. He was also engaged in agricultural and mercantile pursuits. The mother of our subject, *nee* **Ocatvia Parsons**, was born in Cortland county, New York, a daughter of **Lewis B. Parsons**, who was a native of Massachusetts and of English descent. He subsequently located in Cortland county, where he followed mercantile pursuits. He afterward removed West, and was largely interested in lands in Iowa, having also founded the Parsons College at Fairfield, that State [sic – state]. Mr. Parsons retired from an active business life at the age of fifty years. **William E. and Octavia Sterling** were the parents of six children,

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namely: **Maria E.**; **Emily P.**, wife of **John Doud**, of Fort Dodge, Iowa; **Francis J.**; **William E.**, deceased at the age of eighteen years; **Anna**, deceased at the age of twenty years; and **Lewis T.**, the subject of this sketch.

The latter, the youngest of the family, was reared in his native place, and after attending the public schools of the county he entered Olivet College, in Eaton county, Michigan. He next took a scientific course in the Washington University at St. Louis, Missouri. Mr. Sterling was then employed as clerk in a wholesale hardware store at Rochester, New York, for three years, was engaged for several years in the wholesale house of **A.T. Stewart**, of New York city, and then returned to St. Lawrence county, New York, to engage in the manufacture and sale of furniture, assisting to form a stock company, in which he is still interested. Mr. Sterling was also engaged in the insurance and loan business. In June, 1891, he arrived in **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, where he has ever since followed the insurance and real-estate [*sic – real estate*] business, representing sixteen companies.

June 26, 1884, Mr. Sterling was united in marriage with **Elizabeth B. Nichols**, born, reared and educated in Rochester, New York. They have one daughter, **Ruth H.** [pages 210-211]

**JOHN W. STILES** is **Menominee's** Postmaster and a man who occupies a foremost place in business and official circles. Deeds of battle have been the theme of story and song from the earliest ages, but it has been left to civilized man to perpetuate the no less nobler deeds of the man who quietly and conscientiously performs his allotted task, seeking for no other reward than the approval of his own

conscience. A man true to every trust reposed in him is the gentleman whose name begins this article.

A native of Plattsburg, New York, he was born on the 2d [*sic – 2nd*] of October, 1854, and is a son of **William and Catherine (Bremen) Stiles**, both of whom were natives of Ireland. Leaving the Emerald Isle they became residents of Plattsburg, New York, about fifty years ago. The father died July 28, 1873, and the mother, who still survives her husband, is now living with her son John. In the family were thirteen children, but only two are now living, – John and **William**, both of Menominee.

In the place of his nativity Mr. Stiles spent the days of his boyhood and youth, and in the common schools acquired his education. He worked at home until May, 1879, when he decided to try his fortune in the West and came to **Menominee county**, Michigan, settling in the village of **Norway**. For a year he worked in the iron mines, then started in business with his brother **Daniel**, now deceased, in the manufacture of cigars. On the 1st of January, 1887, he came to this city and established himself in the manufacture of cigars. His brother died in October, 1888, and since that time he has carried on the business alone. His establishment is located at 922 Ogden avenue, and he furnishes employment to four hands. An excellent class of work is turned out and a liberal patronage is enjoyed, the business having increased from the beginning.

In November, 1878, Mr. Stiles was united in marriage with Miss **Ellen Geary**, a native of Peru, New York, born in September, 1853. She was reared in Keyesville, New York, and is an estimable lady who has many friends in this community. Three children have been born

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to them, – **Katie, Harry and John**, – who are still with their parents, and they also lost five children. The parents hold membership in the Catholic Church, and Mr. Stiles belongs to the Catholic Order of Foresters, in which he is a trustee, and was a delegate to the Ninth Annual Convention, which was held in Montreal in 1892.

Mr. Stiles is a stalwart supporter of the Democracy and takes an active interest in political affairs. He has been a delegate to State, Congressional and Senatorial conventions, and in the councils of his party his opinions are received with deference. On various occasions he has been called to public office: was Commissioner of Highways, and for four consecutive terms was elected County Sheriff. He had been in the county but five and a half years at the time of his first election to that position. He was a candidate in 1884, but that year met defeat. In 1886 he was again the nominee of his party, and though the county is usually Republican he was elected by a majority of 1,300. So ably did he discharge his duties that he was renominated, and at his second election ran 1,800 votes ahead of his ticket, – a fact which indicates his personal popularity as well as his faithful performance of duty. In 1890 he was elected Register of Deeds, serving for two years. He was also candidate for Judge of the Probate Court, and on the 10th of October, 1892, he was appointed Postmaster of **Menominee**, in which capacity he will serve until 1897. His appointment was confirmed by the United States Senate October 20, 1893, and he entered upon the duties of the office. His administration has been most acceptable and he receives general commendation. There is a system of free delivery, and employment is furnished to six carriers and three clerks. Mr. Stiles is certainly a very

prominent man in the affairs of the county, and no citizen within its borders is more highly esteemed or has warmer friends. Even his political opponents hold him in high regard, for a well-spent and honorable life commands their confidence. It is such men that have made America what it is today [*sic – today*], – men who conscientiously perform their public duties and put forth every means in their power to advance the general welfare and aid in the public prosperity. In business he is honorable, in office he is honored, and one of the most familiar figures in **Menominee** in John W. Stiles. Personally he is a man of fine physique and stands six feet four inches in height. [*pages 199-201*]

**WILLIAM SUNDSTROM**, a retired merchant of **Iron Mountain**, Menominee county [*sic – Dickinson County*], Michigan, and one of the well-to-do citizens of the county, landed in this country over thirty years ago a poor young man, and it is due to his own pluck and energy that he has accumulated a fortune and is so happily situated today. A brief sketch of his life is as follows:

William Sundstrom was born in Sweden, May 12, 1837, the fifth in a family of eight children of **Carl G. Sundstrom**, who also was a native of Sweden. Early in life, indeed when he was only twelve years of age, young Sundstrom commenced working in the mines in Sweden, and he was thus occupied there until 1864, when he emigrated to America, having just enough money with which to pay his passage to this country. Arrived in the United States, he came direct to Michigan and first located at **Houghton**, where he worked in the copper mines for five years. After that he worked a year and a half in the **Washington mine** in **Marquette county**,

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then two years and a half more at **Houghton**, and again went to **Marquette county**, this time spending eight and a half years in the **Michigamme mine**. In 1880 he came to **Iron Mountain**. Here for nearly two years he was employed as foreman by the **Chapin Mine [sic – Mining] Company**. About 1883 he engaged in the general merchandise business in **Iron Mountain**, and conducted the same successfully until 1893, since which time he has been retired. During his career here he erected two business buildings. The first was destroyed by fire and he immediately rebuilt. He carried a large stock of hardware, and in hardware as well as general merchandise did an extensive business. In short, his whole career has been marked by a well-merited success. His property is now valued at no less than \$75,000.

Mr. Sundstrom was first married in his native land in 1862, to **Christena Edstram**, a native of Sweden. She died in **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, leaving seven children, as follows: **Dora, Bessie, Augusta, Ensi, Clara, Ellen** and **William G.** By his present companion, *nee* **Christena Sedeg**, whom he wedded in **Iron Mountain**, he has one child, **Ruth**.

In his political views, Mr. Sundstrom is in harmony with the Prohibition party. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is Treasurer of the same, and is an active and earnest church worker. [pages 208-209]

**D.E. SUTHERLAND**, captain of the **East Norrie mine, Ironwood**, Michigan, is a native of Lancaster, Ontario, Canada, the date of his birth being November 19, 1859. His parents, **George and Eliza (McLeod) Sutherland**, were both born in Lancaster, and the father was a farmer by occupation. He died in **Ironwood**, Michigan, at about

the age of fifty-four years. The mother is still a resident of this place. Their family is composed of six sons and four daughters, the subject of our sketch being the eldest son and third child.

Captain Sutherland spent the first twenty years of his life in his native place, receiving a common-school education only. In 1879 he came to the **Menominee Range** and spent the summer of that year in the **Curry mine**. He then went to **Metropolitan**, Michigan, and was employed as time-keeper [sic – *timekeeper*] at the mines, and since 1885 has been identified with **Ironwood**. He was time-keeper [sic – *timekeeper*] and general supply clerk at the **Big Norrie** one year. In the spring of 1885 he opened the **East Norrie mine**, and has since been captain of this mine.

Mr. Sutherland was married in 1889 to Miss **Anna Hartigue**, a native of Michigan, and they are the parents of one child, a daughter, **Florence**.

He is a Democrat in his political views. For two years he served as County Treasurer, and he has been an Alderman of **Ironwood** ever since the city was organized. He is a member of Ironwood Lodge, No. 123, K. of P.; the Maccabees, and the A.O.U.W. [page 638]

**CAPTAIN J.H. TAYLOR**, one of the experienced mining men and pioneers of **Ironwood**, Michigan, was born in county Londonderry, Ireland, May 27, 1830, son of **John Taylor**, a Scotchman.

In May, 1846, the subject of our sketch, an ambitious youth eager for adventure, left his native land and came to America, landing in New York city. From there he went to New Bedford, Massachusetts, where he remained until 1861, all that time being employed in a factory and by the same company. In 1861 he came west to

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Michigan, and in the copper mines of this State [*sic – state*] began his mining career. He first worked in the **Quincy mine** as a common laborer one year. The following two years he served as surface foreman of the same mine. Then he crossed the river to **Houghton**, where he was employed as surface foreman in the **Elroy mine** until 1869, or until the mine shut down, and from there went to **Ishpeming**, Marquette county, where he was captain in the **New York mine** from 1869 to 1872. The last named year he made a trip to the far West, – to Colorado, Utah and Nevada, – and remained about two years, enlarging his mining experience. On his return from the West, he was employed as mining captain in the **Menominee range** until August, 1883, being with the **Commonwealth mine**. We next find him at **Crystal Falls**, as superintendent of the **Great Western mine**, where he remained until the spring of 1885. Captain Taylor dates his identity with **Ironwood** from May 15, 1885, he having come here as captain of the **German and Ashland mines**. He mined the first ore that was shipped over the docks at Ashland, sunk the first shaft in **Ironwood**, and shipped the first ore from this place. He continued as captain until 1891, when he was made superintendent of the **Ashland Mining Company**, holding this position until January 13, 1894, when the company ceased operations. He is now president of the **Shunish Gold Mining Company**, which was organized under the laws of Wisconsin and which has a capital stock of \$90,000.

Mr. Taylor was married first in 1849 to Miss **Sarah Rainey**, by whom he has one child, **Hugh R.** His second marriage was in August, 1891, to **Mrs. Adda Ladux**.

Mr. Taylor cast his first vote for **President Pierce**. When the Republican

party was organized he gave it his support, and has since been a staunch [*sic – staunch*] Republican. He served four years as Supervisor of the First ward of **Ironwood**, and is now Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors of **Gogebic county**. Fraternally, he is identified with the F. & A.M., I.O.O.F., and K. of P. [*page421*]

**CAPTAIN WILLIAM TREBILCOCK**, mining captain of the mines of the **Metropolitan Iron & Land Company, Ironwood**, Michigan, dates his birth in Cornwall, England, April 27, 1845. He was the second born in the family of eleven children of **William and Elizabeth (Marles) Trebilcock**, of England. At this writing both parents are living, the father at the age of eighty-one years, and the mother at seventy-six.

Captain Trebilcock began his career as a miner in England before he entered his 'teens, and continued work in the mines of his native land until 1866. That year he came to America, landing in New York city, and from there coming direct to the northern part of Michigan. For one year he worked in the copper mines. We next find him in the iron mines of **Marquette county**, Michigan, where he remained until 1869. That year his wife died, and after her death he returned to England with his two little daughters, **Elizabeth** and **Anne**, whom he left with his parents. In 1870 he came back to America, and resumed mining in **Marquette county**. The following year he thought to try his fortune still farther west, and accordingly went to Idaho and Oregon, where he spent some time in the gold and silver mines, returning again in 1873 to **Marquette county** and remaining there until 1879. His next move was to the **Menominee Mining Range** [*sic – Menominee Range*], where he was

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assistant captain of the **Norway mine** three years. In 1882 he was employed by the company he now represents, being their first captain. He has remained with them ever since, with the exception of one year when he spent in England, – 1884. His mining experience covers a period of over forty years and includes work in the coal, iron, silver, gold and tin mines.

Mr. Trebilcock was first married in England, in 1865, to Miss **Elizabeth C. Sanndry**, who died, as already stated, in 1869. In 1874 he married **Mrs. Sarah J. (Pearce) Benney**, widow of **Ed Benney**. She, too, is a native of Cornwall, England.

The Captain is a member of the Sons of St. George, I.O.O.F., F. & A.M., and O.E.S. He cast his first presidential vote for General Grant in 1868, and has been true to the Republican party ever since. Ever since he became identified with **Ironwood** he has been a prominent factor in its affairs. He served as a member of the Village Board, as School Inspector and as a member of the School Board. He was the first City Treasurer and has had the honor of serving three years as Mayor of the town. [pages 388-389]

**CHARLES TREIBER**, of the firm of **Charles Treiber & Sons, Norway**, was born in Germany, April 26, 1844, a son of **Charles Treiber, Sr.** Our subject came with his parents to America when he was seven years of age, spending the first three years in Newark, New Jersey, where he attended the public schools. He then removed to Chicago, Illinois, where he worked in his father's match factory until 1864, and he then enlisted in the Fifty-first Illinois Infantry, serving until the close of the struggle. He took part in the battles of Springhill, Franklin and Nashville. After the close of the struggle, Mr. Treiber learned

and followed the carpenter's trade in Chicago until 1871. He then followed the same occupation in **Menominee**, Michigan, three years, after which he opened and conducted the **Chicago House** in that city six years, and then came to **Norway** and opened a hotel, also called the **Chicago House**, conducting the latter thirteen years. Mr. Treiber next embarked in the grocery, flour and feed business, of which, in the spring of 1894, his sons became partners, and they have since added a livery stable. Mr. Treiber also owns a farm of eighty-eight acres five miles from this city.

He was married in Chicago to Miss **Teressa Stahl**, a native of that city. They have eight living children and two deceased. Mr. Treiber is a Master Mason and a member of the Odd Fellows order. [page 216]

**ROBERT P. TUTEN**, manager of the **Range-Tribune of Iron Mountain**, was born in East Cambridge, Massachusetts, April 11, 1845, a son of **R.P. and Nancy Stevens (Smith) Tuten**, the former a native of Boston, Massachusetts, and the latter of Deering, New Hampshire. The mother was the daughter of a wealthy farmer of that State [sic – state]. After marriage, the parents located in East Cambridge, where the father was foreman in the New England Glass Works. His death occurred in 1851, and his widow survived until 1882. They were the parents of seven children, six now living, namely: **Edward Terrill Tuten, Nancy Maria Bruce, Susan R., R.P.** (our subject), **Sarah T.** and **Esther P.**

R.P. Tuten was reared and educated in Mt. Vernon, New Hampshire. He subsequently entered the office of the **Farmers' Cabinet**, at Amherst, that State [sic – state], but in the midst of his apprenticeship the war broke out, and he

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left the case to join the Fifth New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry, as Orderly in the company commanded by **Captain A.G. Cummings**. They went into winter quarters at Point Lookout, Maryland, after which Mr. Tuten spent a short time in the printing offices at Washington, District of Columbia, followed his trade at Boston until 1864, and then, December 29, of that year, he enlisted as Bugler in Company E, Twenty-sixth New York Cavalry, which regiment was detailed to do guard duty on the frontier, until the close of the struggle, and he received his discharge at Reedsville, Massachusetts, June 30, 1865.

After the war Mr. Tuten resided in Boston and New York until 1873, when he went to Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, and in company with his brother purchased the **Bellefonte Republican**. Two years afterward our subject sold his interest in the paper to his brother, and for the following five years was employed in the **Portage Lake Mining Gazette** at **Houghton**, Michigan. Mr. Tuten next worked three years for the **Northwestern Mining Journal** at **Hancock**, this State [*sic – state*]. October 1, 1883, he came to **Iron Mountain**, and began work for **H.S. Swift**, proprietor of the **Menominee Range**. January 1, 1884, he purchased a half interest in the paper, and July 1, of the same year, he became sole owner of the **Menominee Range**. **The Range and Tribune** were purchased and consolidated November 1, 1892, by a corporation known as the **Range-Tribune Company**, in which Mr. Tuten holds a controlling interest, and it has since been known as the **Range-Tribune**. It is a weekly paper, Republican in politics.

In his social relations, Mr. Tuten is Master of Iron Mountain Lodge, No. 388, F. & A.M., is the Principal Sojourner of Iron

Mountain Chapter, R.A.M., and has served as Senior Vice Commander of P. O'Connell Post, No. 426, G.A.R. Politically, he is an active worker in the Republican party.

Mr. Tuten was married, in 1887, to Miss **Amanda S. Mason**, who was reared and educated in Galesburg, Illinois. They have one daughter, – **Joyce Miriam**, born May 18, 1887. [*pages 90-91*]

**GEORGE E. VOOS**, Register of Deeds of **Iron county**, was born in Waukesha county, Wisconsin, December 3, 1864, a son of **Fred and Mary L. (Snell) Voos**, natives respectively of New York and Maine, and of German descent. They were among the early pioneers of Wisconsin. George E., the second of their three children, two sons and a daughter, was left an orphan at the age of nine years. He attended the district schools of his native county, spent one year in the Union high school at Black River Falls, Jackson county, and remained the same length of time in the University of Wisconsin. After completing his education, Mr. Voos began the mercantile business at Schleisingerville, Wisconsin, which he continued for three years, was with the Portage Stone Company at Augusta, that State [*sic – state*], and then removed to Hurley, to represent the boot and shoe house of **John Beebey**, remaining there one year. In the spring of 1889 Mr. Voos came to **Crystal Falls**, where he was employed as clerk in the dry-goods [*sic – dry goods*] house of **Parks & Company** until he was elected to the position of Register of Deeds, in 1892; and he was re-elected to the office in 1894. He has also served as Assessor and Marshal of the city.

In January, 1885, our subject was united in marriage with **Edith E. Saylove**, a native of Wisconsin. They have had three

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children, – **Bernice C.**, **Walter A.** (deceased) and **Claud A.** In his social relations Mr. Voos is a member of the K. of P. and the I.O.O.F. Politically, he is a staunch [*sic – staunch*] Republican and is one of the active workers for his party. [pages 637-638]

**LEWIS WHITEHEAD**, proprietor of the first hotel on the **Menominee range**, at **Vulcan**, was born in Hurd Town, Morris county, New Jersey, April 6, 1833. His father, **Silas Whitehead**, was a native of the same county and was a farmer and contractor of wood and charcoal.

Lewis Whitehead attended the public schools until twelve years old. At the death, [*sic*] of his father[,] he engaged in mining winters and boating summers, became captain of a canal-boat [*sic – canal boat*] on the Morris canal at the age of sixteen, and foreman in the **Hurd Town mine** at nineteen years of age. In 1853 he emigrated to Chicago and spent some time in grading the Illinois Central Railway; 1853 and '54 was spent in lumbering at Traverse Bay, – Hannah, Lay & Company's mills; 1855 and a portion of 1856 were spent in southern Illinois farming and peddling. On May 15, 1856, he came to **Menominee**, Michigan, and entered the employ of the **New York Lumber Company**, spending the summers as a circular sawyer and winters logging up the Menominee. From 1860 to 1862 he engaged in the charcoal business in **Marquette county**, Michigan, and in the latter year was employed by the St. Mary's Canal and Mineral Land Company as explorer for iron and copper, also in the examination of timber on subdivision of lands, at times taking charge of work about the copper mines, – **Houghton**, Michigan, being headquarters; **Capt. Henry Y.T. Delany**, agent. In 1865

he engaged with the **Iron Cliffs Company** of **Negaunee**, Michigan, as their chief explorer, and did much work on the topographical and geological map of **Marquette Iron range**, under Major T.B. Brooks. In 1868 he took charge of building a furnace in Lawton, lower Michigan, as assistant superintendent and manager of charcoal and outside work of the furnace up to 1871. In 1872 he took charge as chief explorer on the **Menominee Range**, in the employ of the **Milwaukee Exploring Company**. In 1875-6 he ran a set of charcoal kilns for the **Iron Cliffs Company**, Negaunee. In 1877 he opened the **Breen mine**, **West Vulcan**, and acted as superintendent of other openings on the **Menominee range**. In 1879 he opened the first hotel on the **Menominee range**, which is kept as a boarding-house [*sic – boardinghouse*] (1895) by Mr. Whitehead. At the same time in the past ten years he has worked a homestead farm and attended to some township office work.

In 1868 Mr. Whitehead was united in marriage with Miss **Jennie Rice**, a native of Michigan. They have had nine children, four now deceased. In his social relations, Mr. Whitehead is a Master Mason. [pages 312-313]

**ANSON F. WRIGHT**, a merchant of **Iron Mountain**, Michigan, and ex-County Treasurer of **Dickinson county**, is a well-known and highly respected man. Following is a *resume* of his life:

Anson F. Wright is a native of Pennsylvania, born September 11, 1845, and was reared and educated in Bradford and Tioga counties, that State [*sic – state*], his education being finished with a two years' course in a normal school at Mansfield, Pennsylvania. His parents, **Jason K. and Maria E. (Ely) Wright**, were

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born in Massachusetts and New York, respectively. They made permanent settlement in the Keystone State and the mother is still residing there, the father having died in Bradford county in 1878. He was a farmer by occupation and a man of some prominence in the community in which he lived, having filled a number of local offices. During the late war he was Captain of Company K, One-Hundred-and-Forty-first Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was in the service more than a year, but on account of ill health he resigned and came home. In their family were ten children, nine of whom are now living, viz.: **Edward G.**, Athens, Pennsylvania; **Fred K.**, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania; **Mary G. Parmenter**, Menominee, Michigan; **Ely**, Minneapolis, Minnesota; **Jason K.**, Marinette, Wisconsin; **Maria Fairchild**, deceased; **Susan H. Caswell**, Bradford county, Pennsylvania; **Anson F.**, whose name heads this article; **Estella Gillett**, Tioga county, Pennsylvania; and **Alfred C.**, Athens, Pennsylvania. **Ely** and **Jason K.** were in the Twenty-third New York Volunteer Infantry, and served during the war.

In 1867, when a young man of twenty-two, the subject of our sketch came out West and located at Marinette, Wisconsin, where, from that time until 1877, he was engaged in mercantile pursuits. From 1877 until 1889 he carried on business at **Quinnesec**, Michigan, and in the last named year he became identified with **Iron Mountain**. Here he has since been engaged in a general merchandise and lumber business, being in partnership with his brother, **Jason K.**, the firm name being **Wright Brothers**. They have three stores, one located at Amberg, Wisconsin, and the others at **Quinnesec** and **Iron Mountain**, Michigan. Their chief attention, however, is

given to the lumber business, their operation being on the Lake Superior division of the **Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad**. They have the exclusive tie business. Also they have the exclusive basswood business of **Menasha Wooden Ware Company**, and the pulpwood business of the **Fox River Valley Paper Mills**. Mr. Wright is a stockholder in the **First National Bank** and the **Commercial Bank**; and has been a director in the latter ever since its organization.

In 1880 he was united in marriage to Miss **Jennie Hawes**, a native of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, born in 1857, daughter of **Jason A. Hawes**. Her father was a native of Massachusetts and one of the pioneer settlers of Fond du Lac. Mr. and Mrs. Wright have had three children, namely: **Jason Austin**, who was drowned August 22, 1894, at the age of thirteen years; and **Erna J.** and **Harry A.** Mr. Wright is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

In his political affiliations Mr. Wright is Democratic. When the **county of Dickinson** was created he was appointed County Treasurer by **Governor Winans** and was the first to fill that office. In educational matters he has always taken a deep interest. He was President of the School Board of **Iron Mountain** at the time the high-school [*sic – high school*] building was erected. A generous and public-spirited man and a man of true worth, he has made many warm friends during his residence in **Dickinson county**. [pages 207-208]

**DR. CHARLES D'A. WRIGHT**, of **Norway**, Michigan, was born at Chatham, Canada, November 22, 1863, son of **Rev. William S. Wright**, a Methodist Episcopal minister, who died in August, 1878.

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Charles was not, however, deprived of educational advantages; he graduated at the Dodgeville high school in 1877, and afterward pursued the arts at the State University of Wisconsin at Madison [*University of Wisconsin – Madison*]. He then went west to Dakota and began the study of pharmacy and medicine under **J.T. Tidball**, Ph. C., and **Dr. G.J. Collier** at Brookings. In 1887 he graduated in medicine at Ann Arbor, and came directly to **Norway**, where he has since had charge of the **B.N.W. Hospital** and been engaged as surgeon to the **Aragon mine**, owned by **Angus Smith**, of Milwaukee. He has since completed post-graduate courses at Chicago and served one winter in the Illinois Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary in that city. In the summer of 1895 he took a partner, **E.C. McDowell**, M.D., L.R.C.P., and accepted the position of assistant professor of diseases of the eye and ear in the medical department of the State University at Ann Arbor [*University of Michigan*], where he will hereafter be engaged during the college year. The Doctor is identified with almost all of the fraternal organizations of the State [*sic – state*], and is Chancellor Commander of the K. of P. lodge at Norway.

Dr. Wright was married in August, 1890, to Miss **Kate E. Keating**, then principal of the **Norway** school, and they have one child, **Muriel Catherine**, a little girl of three years. [pages 569-570]