

Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of New Hampshire, and an Active Member of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States. He is Vice-President of the Laconia National and City Savings Banks of Laconia. Mr. Quinby married June 22, 1870, Octavia M., daughter of Hon. B. J. Cole of Lakeport. He has two children: Henry Cole Quinby, a lawyer in New York city in the office of Evarts, Choate & Beaman, and Candace Ellen, wife of Hugh N. Camp, Jr., of New York city.

RANLET, JOSEPH, Retired Manufacturer, Laconia, was born in Gilmanton, New Hampshire, November 27, 1811, son of Noah and Rachel (Osgood) Ranlet. He attended the public schools of his native town, and began his business career at the Gilford Manufacturing Company of Meredith Bridge, New Hampshire. In 1829, he went to Newmarket, where he had charge of the machine shops of the Newmarket Manufacturing Company, a post which he held until November, 1849, when he re-



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moved to Laconia. In May, 1850, he formed the partnership with his brother, Charles Ranlet, in the manufacture of railway cars, under the name of Ranlet Car Company, which continued until the death of Charles Ranlet in October, 1861. In

December of the following year, Joseph Ranlet formed a partnership with John C. Moulton, continuing the business under the name of Moulton & Ranlet Car Company. In January, 1865, another company was formed under the name of the Ranlet Manufacturing Company, the members being John C. Moulton, Joseph Ranlet, and Perley Putnam, which continued in business until April 20, 1878, when Mr. Ranlet retired from the business. He was married November 6, 1836, to Elizabeth Frazier Somerby. They have three children: Sarah Elizabeth, Ella Virginia, and Mary Abbie Somerby Ranlet.

RICHARDSON, CYRUS, D. D., Pastor of the First Congregational Church, Nashua, was born in Dracut, Massachusetts, March 30, 1840, son of Samuel and Hannah (Varnum) Richardson. He is descended in the eighth generation from Ezekiel Richardson, one of the founders of the town of Woburn, Massachusetts, and of its church, a fact which led to the selection of Dr. Richardson to deliver an address at the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the Woburn Church in 1892. He received his preparatory education at the New Hampshire Conference Seminary at Tilton and Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, and was graduated from Dartmouth College in the class of '64, being selected as one of the commencement speakers. For two years he was an instructor in Latin and Natural Sciences in Cincinnati, Ohio, at the same time pursuing special studies. Upon his return to New England he entered Andover Theological Seminary in September, 1866, completing the full course and being graduated in July, 1869. He was ordained and installed pastor of the Plymouth (New Hampshire) Congregational Church September 30 of the same year. While here he interested himself in the welfare of the town as well as of the church. He was among the prime movers for a state Normal School, and helped to secure its location in Plymouth. In the spring of 1883 he received and accepted a flattering call to the pastorate of the First Congregational church of Keene, New Hampshire, to which he ministered for ten years. Not only did he succeed in making his own church strong and active, but churches of the county looked to him as a leader and advisor. In educational matters his influence was well known, having been elected as a member of the board of education and for a time retained as its chairman. In