

PROF. J. W. SANBORN  
GILMANTON

No man in this country is better known for his connection with educational and experimental work in agriculture than Jeremiah W. Sanborn of Gilmanton, son of George W. and Mary Ann (Brown) Sanborn, born February 4, 1847, on a farm in that town which descended in the family from the original proprietor. Educated at Pittsfield and Gilmanton Academies, and Concord high school, he was made superintendent of schools in Gilmanton at twenty-one, and a member of the state board of agriculture at twenty-six. Subsequently he served as a representative in the legislature. He was for some years superintendent of the Agricultural college farm at Hanover. He removed to Missouri and became dean of the agricultural department of the University of Missouri, secretary of the Missouri state board of agriculture, United States statistician for Missouri, secretary of the Kansas City Fat Stock Show, and director of the Missouri state experiment station. From here he was called to Utah, where he aided in the establishment of the Utah Agricultural college, of which he was the first president. He was also director of the Utah experiment station, and held other positions in that territory. He collected the agricultural exhibits of Missouri for the New Orleans exposition, and those of Utah for the Columbian exposition at Chicago. Later he returned to New Hampshire and became agricultural editor of the Manchester Mirror, He was one of the first, if not the first, among the agricultural college workers to conduct and publish systematic experiments, and has been a prolific writer for the agricultural press. He wrote the agricultural section of Gateley's "World's Progress," the publisher searching Europe and America for an author for this department. He has been widely called upon in the lecture field, his experience covering New England, the Mississippi valley, and Utah. Many of his experiments are original, and have attracted attention on both sides of the Atlantic. At present, he is conducting his farm of 1,700 acres in Gilmanton on original lines, partly in the public interest. He was recently appointed a trustee of the New Hampshire Agricultural college. Prof. Sanborn married, June 4, 1872, Belle G. Osborne of Loudon. Their children are Harry W., Alice, and Carl J.