

come to form one of the chief industries with some of its residents. One of the leading men in this business is Mr. Moulton, who is an expert workman and a good judge of materials of every description used in building.

Ralph Moulton, father of our subject, was a soldier in the Confederate service during the late war, and was killed at the battle of Fair Oaks, after being in the army for many years. He was educated in the South, and there all his interests lay, so it is but natural that he should take up arms in defense of what he considered to be right. He was a carpenter by trade and a peaceable and law-abiding citizen. He married Miss Nancy Hemby, whose death occurred at the age of thirty-three years.

Our subject, who was the only child born to his parents, was a native of South Carolina, his birth occurring January 11, 1849. His parents lived in a hotel, and Thomas was given a fair opportunity for obtaining an education, which privilege he availed himself of to the utmost. He started out for himself when but fifteen years of age, and the first place we find him was in the rebel army. On the establishment of peace he returned home, and later made his way to New York State, and for five years worked in a hotel at Randolph. He afterward removed to Onondaga County, and after some years spent in working in a hotel in a city there came to Traverse City, and for the past thirteen years has made this city his home. He at once began working at the carpenter's trade, and although having had no previous knowledge of the business, was a genius in the use of tools, and very soon ranked high with the best carpenters in the place. He worked at his trade steadily and persistently for some time, when he began contracting and building, first in a small way, but soon his business grew to large proportions, and he is now proud of the fact that he has erected many of the finest residences and business houses in the city. Among the latter are the Hotel Whiting, sometimes spoken of as the Whiting Block, and Johnson's drug store.

Mr. Moulton was married, in 1871, to Miss Adaline Deyo, a native of Onondaga County, N. Y., and to them were born two children, Charles and William, the former of whom works with his father

at his trade. In politics Mr. Moulton is a true-blue Republican. He is a man very much respected and is so well known that these few lines will find many interested readers.



RILEY MANES, Sheriff of Otsego County, was first elected in the fall of 1892, and was re-elected in the year 1894. He is an able and trustworthy official, and one who is well adapted in every respect for his present position. In an official capacity he has shown himself eminently worthy of the trust reposed in him by his fellow-citizens when they selected him for this important place, as he discharges his duties promptly, without fear or favor, and is potent in preserving law and order within his jurisdiction.

At the time of coming to Otsego County, in 1879, Mr. Manes settled on a homestead on section 12, Charlton Township, the title to which he proved. After seven years spent there, he disposed of the property and removed to Elmira, where he engaged in the livery business until 1892. Elected in the fall of that year to the office of Sheriff, he rendered such satisfactory service that he was re-elected in the fall of 1894. In addition to this position he has held other local offices, to which he has been elected upon the Democratic ticket.

In Salem, Allegan County, Mich., July 21, 1857, was born Riley, son of Isaiah and Mary (Johnson) Manes, natives, respectively, of Pennsylvania and Ohio. They were married in Ohio, whence they removed to Michigan in 1854, and settled on a farm in Allegan County. After some years devoted to the improvement of their homestead in that place, they disposed of it, and in 1879 removed to Otsego County, where they continued to reside until death. Their children, six in number, were named as follows: James, who lives in Minnesota; Otho, of Otsego County; Mary, who mar-

ried Joseph White, of Montmorency County, Mich.; Alice, wife of Joseph Stanley, also of Montmorency County; Riley; and Ida, who lives in Montmorency County, and is the wife of George Menear.

Our subject, who is the next to the youngest of the family, was reared on a farm, and in boyhood had such educational advantages as the common schools of the locality afforded. His home continued to be in Allegan County until he removed to Otsego County, and, being a native-born son of Michigan, he is naturally greatly interested in everything connected with the welfare of the place. On the 1st of May, 1884, he was united in marriage with Miss Della Buckman, who was born in Berrien County, Mich., and is a lady of amiable and refined character. They have an adopted daughter, Anna.

In social circles Mr. and Mrs. Manes stand well, and have many warm friends, as they possess to a large extent those traits of character that indicate true natures and command regard and confidence. Fraternally our subject is numbered among the members of the Masonic lodge at Gaylord, and he is also identified with the Knights of Pythias. He ranks among the most prominent citizens of Gaylord, and his genial manner and accommodating ways have won for him many friends who hold him in high regard.



EMMETT HAGADORN, a successful business man of Fife Lake, is an example of what may be accomplished by well directed effort and properly applied energy. He is a self-made man in the truest sense, having worked his way up by the most diligent and tireless effort to a position of prominence and influence in his community. He came to this place in 1873, and during the intervening years he has won the confidence of all who know him, and now receives a large income from his trade. In his general store may be found a full line of groceries, hardware, dry goods, clothing, hats and caps, boots and shoes,

etc. He is also interested in the handling of grain and lumber, and has money invested in a factory where broom handles and similar lines of woodenware are the principal output.

The maternal grandfather of our subject, Dougal D. Cameron, was the second man to settle in Hornellsville, N. Y. Hiram Hagadorn, our subject's father, married Lydia T. Cameron, of Hornellsville, who was a member of the illustrious Cameron family of Pennsylvania, and was in the same line of descent with Senator Don C. Cameron. Hiram Hagadorn was a carpenter by trade, and successfully followed his calling during his active life. His death occurred at the age of seventy-eight years. To his union with Miss Cameron there were born six children, as follows: Christina, Mrs. Gregory, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Ira, of Arkport, N. Y.; Rachael, Mrs. F. Tubbs, of Grand Rapids; Charles, of Troy, Pa.; Jennie, Mrs. Leveridge, of Hornellsville; and Emmett.

The youngest child of his parents, our subject was born in Hornellsville, May 22, 1857, and spent the early years of his boyhood in the place of his birth. He attended the schools there until twelve years of age, at which time he came to Michigan, and for a year was employed at Manistee. He then returned to Hornellsville, and was in a wholesale and retail clothing-house until 1873, when he came to Fife Lake. His first position was that of a clerk for C. C. Bailey in a general store. He served for five years in that capacity, and became deservedly popular. He was faithful to his employer's interests, was a good salesman, and rapidly acquired a practical knowledge of the business.

In the spring of 1878 Mr. Hagadorn went to Deadwood, Dak., returning in the fall to Fife Lake and entering the employ of F. A. Eckenfels & Co. as clerk and bookkeeper. After four years in that position he went on the road selling groceries for Cody, Ball & Co., wholesale grocers of Grand Rapids, with whom he remained for six months. Then, going to Traverse City, he was in business there for one year as a member of the firm of Hagadorn & Smith, dealing principally in groceries, hats and caps, and gents' furnishing goods. As he prospered, he concluded to start a branch store here, and when a year had elapsed he bought