

May 4, 1874, he was united in marriage with Alice Cheever Lyon, daughter of Hanford and Mackay (Frye) Lyon, and has two children, Alice Lyon Watson and Arthur Kent Watson.

CHARLES DURAND, Ansonia.

Born in Derby, Conn., January 21, 1820, son of Samuel Durand and Sally Durand. He is of Huguenot descent, his ancestors having emigrated from France about two hundred years ago, and settled in the town of Derby, where descendants of the family have continued to reside to the present day.

Mr. Durand was educated in the district schools and in Derby Academy. He served as representative of his town in the Lower House of the General Assembly in 1874, and was speaker of the House in 1875. He has been president of the Osborne and Cheesman Company, of Ansonia, for many years, and is now president of the Schneller, Osborne and Cheesman Company, of Ansonia. Twelve years of his life were spent in New York city, and twenty years in New Haven, in both of which places he was engaged in business as a merchant.

In politics Mr. Durand is an independent—sits in judgment on all men and measures, and forms his own convictions and acts upon them, both in church and state.

In 1848 he married Caroline, daughter of the late Henry Trowbridge; she died in 1850, and he afterward married Annie, daughter of Amos Trowbridge. The families of both his wives are residents of New Haven, and the fathers were brothers.

JAMES D. DEWELL, New Haven.

Born in Norfolk, Conn., September 3, 1837, son of John Dewell and Mary (Humphrey) Dewell. Through his mother he is descended in direct line from Michael Humphrey, who immigrated and settled in Windsor about 1640; his father was of Scotch descent.

Like many others who have been more than ordinarily successful in life, Mr. Dewell's schooling was limited to the advantages offered by the country schools—advantages so well improved by him that he is to-day a good example of the excellent work of those educators of the people. He is a Republican in politics, and naturally a firm upholder of protection to American industries; but he has never sought nor held political office.