

the revolutionary army. They have four sons, all living, among whom are Dr. J. F. Calef of Cromwell, and Arthur B. Calef of Middletown, an attorney-at-law. Judge Calef is a direct descendant of Robert Calef of Boston, who wrote and published a book in opposition to witchcraft in 1700 and in reply to Cotton Mather.

**CHARLES H. PINE, ANSONIA:** President Ansonia National Bank.

Charles H. Pine was born at Riverton, in the town of Barkhamsted, September 20, 1845. He left the public schools at the age of sixteen years to



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enlist in Company E, Nineteenth Regiment, afterwards the Second Heavy Artillery, and served as musician for three years, or until the close of the war. At its termination he engaged in mercantile business with N. B. Lathrop in Wolcottville, now Torrington, remaining two years. In 1867 he entered the Ansonia National Bank as clerk, and was subsequently appointed bookkeeper, then teller, elected cashier in 1873, and president in 1886, a position he now holds. He has held various offices of trust and responsibility during his residence in Ansonia, such as treasurer of the borough of Ansonia, treasurer of the Pine Grove Cemetery Association, and treasurer of the Fourth School District of Derby. He represented the town of Derby in the general assembly of 1882, and served as house chairman of the committee on military affairs; was re-elected a member of the house of 1883, and chosen speaker. He was paymaster-general on the staff of Governor Lounsbury in 1887-8. He is an ardent republican, believing in the principles of the republican party most thoroughly, and has always been an earnest, faithful worker in the cause of republicanism. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the Society of the Sixth Corps, of the Society of the Army of the Potomac, and the Army and Navy Club of Connecticut. He is actively engaged in business pursuits, for, besides holding the position of president of the Ansonia National Bank, he is president of the Sperry Manufacturing Company of Ansonia, of the Seymour Manufacturing Company of Seymour, and of the Bridgeport Forge Company of Bridgeport, treasurer of the Bridgeport Copper Company of Bridgeport, and of the Parrot Silver and Copper Company of Butte City, Montana. He is also a special partner

in a commission house in New York City doing business with the West Indies.

Mr. Pine has been, literally, the architect of his own fortune. Starting a poor boy, without influential friends, he has made his own way in life, and has reached a degree of success, financially and socially, rarely attained by much older men than he. He is regarded with high esteem in political and business circles throughout the state, and particularly in Ansonia, with whose interests he is closely identified.

**SAMUEL R. CRAMPTON, MADISON:**

Mr. Crampton was born at East Guilford, now Madison, July 11, 1816. He received a common school education. Circumstances over which he



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had no control kept him with his father until his majority. Like many young men without means, he engaged in several kinds of business which gave him only a bare living. At the age of twenty-one he was chosen town constable. His father being the trial-justice of the town gave him most of his business in this line. During the administration of Leander Parmelee, sheriff of New Haven county, he held the position of deputy for about six years. After the retirement of Sheriff Parmelee he was the candidate of the republican party for sheriff at two different elections, but was defeated each time, the county being strongly democratic. In 1854, he was elected to the legislature, of which body he was one of the youngest members. In 1856, he was at the convention which organized the republican party, and has been in every state convention of the party since,—a republican who looks back upon the achievements of the party with great satisfaction. In business he has been connected with New York houses about twenty years, first as commercial traveler for nine years, and afterwards with Messrs. E. & H. T. Anthony for a like period, holding a prominent position in their extensive establishment, then at 501 Broadway. In all these years of New York life he held his residence in Madison. Later, under the administration of Prof. Cyrus Northrup, as collector of the port of New Haven, he held the position of weigher and gauger for twelve years. He has been a member of the Congregational church of Madison for more than fifty years, and has been active there as in all local matters pertaining to the