

admitted to the bar at the May General term at Buffalo in 1859. Grover Cleveland, now president of the United States, was a member of the same class. Soon after his admission Mr. Wentworth entered into partnership with Mr. Henderson under the name of Henderson & Wentworth, and this firm has continued since and is now the oldest law firm in western New York, having been in existence thirty-four years. Mr. Wentworth has given his entire attention to his profession and has taken little interest in politics; at least he has held no official positions except one or two local offices of minor importance. In 1859 he was married to Ellen C., daughter of Asahel Crowley, and two children have been born of this marriage: Isabel C., now the wife of Dr. Edward W. Lee, formerly of Randolph, now of Omaha, Neb., and Crowley Wentworth, who graduated at the College of New Jersey in June, 1892, and is now pursuing a course of study at the New York Law School. Manley Crosby, now of Corry, Pa., and Alanson Crosby, who died in the last war, and who were students in Ellicottville; Worthy Putnam, the elocutionist; Delos E. Lyon, who was a student in Judge Spring's office, now a prominent lawyer in Dubuque, Iowa, and others were members of the class of 1859. The firm of Henderson & Wentworth has now, and has had for many years, an extensive practice, doing a general business in all the courts, and has achieved a reputation second to none in western New York.

Delos E. Lyon was born and reared in Franklinville. He studied law in the office of the late Judge Samuel S. Spring and was admitted to the bar in 1859. A few months afterwards he left the county and located in Dubuque, Iowa, where he has since resided and practiced his profession.

Manley Crosby was born at Franklinville on March 12, 1834, and is a son of Alanson and Cornelia (Wright) Crosby. He was educated at the common schools and at the State Normal School at Albany, N. Y. He read law at the law school at Poughkeepsie and in the office of David H. Bolles in Ellicottville, and was admitted to the bar at Buffalo, May 18, 1859. He was a partner with Judge Bolles under the firm name of Bolles & Crosby. In 1863 he married Frances S. Clarke, youngest daughter of the late Staley N. Clarke, of Ellicottville. In 1865 he removed to Corry, Pa., and was appointed the general solicitor of the Oil Creek & Allegheny River Railroad Company, and held that office fifteen years. He was elected mayor of the city of Corry in 1890 and was re-elected and served as such two terms. He has been a member of the Board of Education six years and was president of the board three years. On the organization of the National Bank of Corry in 1892 he was elected president, and is now serving as such. He is still engaged in the practice of law at Corry. (See family sketch in Franklinville town history.)

Alanson Crosby, a brother of Manley Crosby, was born April 2, 1836, at Franklinville. He received his education at the common schools and at a university in Kentucky. He read law at the Poughkeepsie Law School and in the office of Rice & Jones at Ellicottville. He was admitted to the bar May

18, 1859, and entered upon the practice of his profession for a time at Ellicottville. He subsequently entered the law office of Alexander Sheldon at Randolph, where he remained until he went into the army as first lieutenant of one of the companies of the 154th Regiment N. Y. Vols. He was subsequently made adjutant of the regiment and later captain of Co. A, which position he held when he was wounded at the battle of Kenesaw Mountain, from which wound he died in the hospital at Nashville, Tenn., July 9, 1864. Gen. Patrick H. Jones speaks of Mr. Crosby as a "brave and gallant soldier, a bright lawyer, and a young man of great promise."

Henry F. Allen was born in the village of Gowanda, in the town of Collins, Erie county, N. Y., March 6, 1837, and is a son of John J. and Hannah Allen. He received his education in Gowanda Union School and studied law in the office of the late C. C. Torrance and also with Judge Woodbury, both of Gowanda. He was admitted to practice in November, 1859. He was a partner at one time with Judge Woodbury, and for many years, until his removal to Buffalo, was in partnership with Mr. Torrance, the firm name being Torrance & Allen. For a few years after his admission to practice he resided in that portion of Gowanda lying in the county of Cattaraugus. He removed to Buffalo in 1882, and on the first day of February, 1882, entered into partnership with Charles W. Goodyear. That partnership continued about one year. He was a member of the law firm of Allen, Movius & Wilcox, of Buffalo, from August 1, 1883, until January 1, 1892, when the partnership was dissolved and since that time Mr. Allen has been engaged in practice alone in Buffalo. In 1883 he was appointed by Governor Cleveland a member of the New York State Board of Claims and entered upon the duties of the office June 1, 1883. He continued to discharge the duties of this office until January, 1892, when he was succeeded by Judge Porter, of Watertown. Mr. Allen was at one time attorney for the Seneca Nation of Indians, having been appointed by Governor Hoffman. In the fall of 1877 he was elected a member of Assembly from the Fifth District of Erie county. Mr. Allen has always been an adherent of the Democratic party. He was at one time the candidate of his party for county judge of Erie county, and he was also a candidate for justice of the Supreme Court at the time of the election of Judge John S. Lambert.

Willard Teller was born in Granger, Allegany county, and was educated at Alfred University, Rushford Academy, and finally graduated in a classical course at Oberlin College in 1858. He studied law with Z. A. Kendall at Angelica, N. Y., and was admitted to practice in November, 1859, at Buffalo. He began practice in Olean in April, 1860, and remained there until November, 1861, when he went to Morrison, Ill., and engaged in practice at that place. In 1864 he removed from Morrison to Central City, Col., and from there to Denver in 1877. Formerly his practice related largely to questions growing out of mining matters, but for the last twenty years he has been engaged in both mining and corporation practice. He has been attorney for