

**Unfolding From Teacher to Attorney.**

**NATURAL EVOLUTION**

To Obtain Legal Inspiration While Disciplining the Youthful Mind.

LAST WEEK THE SUN gave a long list of Jamestown lawyers who graduated from teaching into the law. This week the list is continued. Out of the thirty or forty lawyers interviewed only two or three have been found but who had teaching experience before they commenced the law.

FRANK E. SESSIONS was a farmer's boy who dreamed of the possibilities for the energetic worker outside of the agricultural district, and loosening his grip on the hoe-handle he squeezed the meat out of the country school house with such success that at the age of 16 he stood among the pedagogues, wielding a pedagogue's wand. His first term was at Fon du Lac, Wis. After teaching the western young idea to shoot, for several terms, he came to Chautauqua, taught Union school in the village of Clymer two years, and then completed his experience with a term or two in the Goulding district, town of French Creek, at \$3 per day. His record is 14 terms in all. He read law with Hon. W. L. Sessions, and came to the bar in 1874. Locating in Jamestown he established a successful practice. In 1880 he was chosen Special County Judge and served one term. Judge Sessions thinks the discipline he obtained in the profession of teaching has been of great benefit to him.

F. A. BRIGHTMAN commenced his first term of teaching at Clymer when 17 years of age, finished his second term in the same place and then completed his course by one term at Sherman. He, too, boarded around and enjoyed the delicacies served up to the popular pedagogue. He studied law with Hon. W. L. Sessions, and on his admission in 1884 entered in practice at Panama as a partner of Mr. Sessions. Came to Jamestown in '87 and formed a partnership with A. C. Pickard.

PORTER SHELDON, when he was 16 years of age thought he was making good headway at \$10 a month and board for teaching a district school in Ontario county, N. Y. On finishing his term he went to Fredonia as a pupil in the Academy, and afterwards taught three months in the town of Sheridan. He commenced his law studie, with Judge Barker, but finished with Alvah Worden, a celebrated lawyer at Canandagua, and brother-in-law of William H. Seward. Mr. Sheldon was admitted at Batavia in 1853 and came to Jamestown and commenced practice. He was elected to represent this Congressional district in the Forty-first Congress, serving one term, in 1876 was chosen a Presidential elector on the Democratic ticket.

A. C. PICKARD was born on the farm, mastered all the intricacies of the law, and lived on the farm before he

his present Judge. But he has been successful in practice, has been twice elected a Justice of the Peace, once in the town and village and once in the city, has been chairman of the Republican County Committee, and in all probability will be elected Member of Assembly from this district next fall.

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