JOHN PIXLEY

came to Milwaukee in 1836, when the city was in its infancy. Immediately on his arrival, he engaged in the mercantile business, which he pursued with considerable success for six years, at the end of which time he commenced to speculate in real estate and in money matters, in which he still continues. His attention to business, strict integrity, and frugal habits, have placed him in affluent circumstances, without making much noise or show. His quiet, obliging and unobtrusive manner has gained for Mr. Pixley the good opinion and esteem of those who have enjoyed his acquaintance. He is a good member of the old settlers' club and a living witness of a village growing into a magnificent city.

INCREASE A. LAPHAM,

was born in Palmyra, Ontario, (now Wayne,) New York, March 7th, 1811, and came to Milwaukee July 1st, 1836. He published a work on Wisconsin in 1844 — a geological map of Wisconsin in 1855 and 1869, and Antiquities of Wisconsin in 1855. The degree of LL. D. was conferred on him by the college of Amherst in 1860. He was elected president of the Wisconsin Historical Society in 1842.

BENJAMIN BAGNALL.

Benjamin Bagnall came to Milwaukee, April 1842, from Lancaster, in Yorkshire, England, was engaged in mercantile business from that time to 1844, after which, he embarked in the lumber trade, which, with his first business; he carried on for ten years, and since then, he has been exclusively in the lumber trade in which he has acquired a considerable property—owns ships &c. Mr. Bagnall, having acquired a competent fortune, has retired from business.

J. B. STEMPER

came to Milwaukee in May, 1846 from Luxemburg, in Germany. He was engaged in farming in the town of Oak Creek, and was Deputy Sheriff in 1860. After this he was justice of the peace and supervisor of the town of Franklin for seven years. In 1868 he was elected to the office of Register of Deeds of the County of Milwaukee, which office he still holds. Having occupied so many places for such a length of time, he must have discharged his duty with satisfaction. The author has done a good deal of business in Mr. Stemper's office, and always found him attentive and obliging.