



JAMES G. CUTLER, Republican Candidate for Mayor.

James G. Cutler has expended the people's money for the benefit of the people alone. He has shown true economy by providing for permanent municipal investments during a time of great industrial and business prosperity; he has acted from a business, not a political standpoint. Few people realize the vast extent or permanent character of the municipal improvements during Mayor Cutler's administration. Let us enumerate some of them.

New Fire Department headquarters, increasing the city's fire-fighting efficiency and thereby reducing insurance rates; two new fire houses; new fire-fighting apparatus; five new police precinct stations, highly helpful to the sudden growth of the city in area and population; new overflow channel for the East Side Trunk Sewer; addition and improvement to the power equipment of the Holly water system; extensions of the water feed mains and enlargement of distributing mains to meet the growth of the city; new gate-house at Mt. Hope Reservoir and new outlet screening well and weir chamber at Rush Reservoir; acquisition of land for and construction begun on the Cobb's Hill reservoir; embankment and retaining wall along the Genesee River to prevent floods; the new public market; elimination of a grade crossing at Union Street; new armory, including the purchase of a site therefor; swimming pools, wading pools, comfort stations, and other conveniences for the parks; the installation of a new system of municipal accounting, whose beneficial effects will be realized more in the future; betterments to the public parks, including new buildings, swimming pools, and other permanent improvements; extensive betterments in street railway equipment and service; remodeling of City Hall; settlement of back taxes and vexatious old claims and the abatement of the Pike's Quarry nuisance.

The subject of the assessment by the State Tax Commissioners of the public franchises in the City of Rochester demanded the Mayor's attention immediately on coming into office. By his direction the Law Department has presented, both orally and at great length in printed matter, the value of the franchises granted to railway, lighting and telephone companies in this city.

In 1893, those franchise assessments were fixed at \$4,793,075. In 1894, they were increased to \$4,804,790. In 1895, they were increased to \$5,742,825. An increase during the two years of the present administration of \$849,730.

James G. Cutler has given Rochester the most enlightened, progressive, stimulating and profitable administration it has had. Since he came to the head of the city government Rochester has felt the impetus of his spirit and plans in every department of its municipal life. It is, indeed, fortunate in having such a man available, and its voters are too sensible to permit his retirement.

L. M. OTIS.

Mr. Otis was born in the town of Henrietta, November, 1831. He completed his education in Monroe Academy and Lima Seminary. In 1856 Mr. Otis was appointed Town Clerk in Henrietta, after which he was elected Justice of the Peace, which office he held for nine years. In 1869 he was appointed internal revenue assessor for the district of Henrietta and Rush by President Lincoln.

Thirty-two years ago he moved to this city, engaging in the lumber business, from which he has since retired. Mr. Otis was chosen Supervisor of the Fourth Ward in 1871. He was re-elected to that office in 1889 and served continuously until 1893, being chairman during the sessions of five years. He was Alderman of the Fourth Ward from 1879 and 1881.

Mr. Otis holds membership in many local organizations. Mr. Otis was nominated for City Treasurer in 1893 and was elected over his Democratic opponent by 4,979 votes.

He was for many years president of the Weman's Educational



ROBERT S. AVERILL

The Republican candidate for Assemblyman in the Third District, Robert S. Averill, was born in Palmyra, Wayne County, N.Y., about 33 years ago, and was educated at local schools in that village. He studied law with Judge Charles McLoath of that village, and was admitted to the bar at Buffalo, in June, 1893. He formed a partnership at this city with VanAken, Macomber & Averill.

Mr. Averill has a record of public service that any young man interested in public affairs, might well be proud of. He was appointed assistant district attorney by District Attorney Warren, Jan'y 1, 1899, and his work there has in no small degree contributed to the high character the administration of that office has been accorded by public opinion. Mr. Averill has been so long in close touch with public affairs that he is admirably equipped with knowledge of public needs to make a valuable legislative representative. He is a forceful speaker and of energetic personality, and he ought to give a splendid account of himself in all matters of public moment that come before the State Legislature. The Republican party could have made no stronger nomination for Assemblyman in the Third District than Mr. Averill.

MRS HELEN B. MONTGOMERY

Helen B. Montgomery, renominated for the office of School Commissioner, has earned this honor by a clear, honest, progressive administration of the important position. It is conceded, even by many who were opposed to any woman on the school board, when this innovation was first proposed that she has accomplished many things that a man could not have done.

That she has fully "made good" at a difficult task, and executed the duties in such a manner as to lend dignity to the office for a woman is generally recognized. Tact, ability of a high order and a broadminded conception of her work enabled Mrs. Montgomery to win success as school commissioner that must long remain a standard in this city.

In no small degree does the high reputation of Rochester's schools throughout the United States belong by rights to Mrs. Montgomery. Reforms of broad and progressive character, first instituted in Rochester, largely through her personal influence, have been adopted and commended in many larger cities. An interview with a prominent educator of Denver, a few months ago, mirrored the high opinion of many cities on the excellence of methods now in use in Rochester schools.

Mr. Helen Barrett Montgomery, the daughter of Rev. Dr. Barrett, received her early education at father's school, the Collegiate Institute on Oregon Street. Her mother was preceptress of the Nunda Institute.

When her father closed his school to enter the ministry Helen Barrett was sent to the Livingston Park School, then conducted by Mrs. Curtis. After a year she left and spent two years studying with her father. A four-year course at Wellesley College followed. After graduation she became a teacher in the Rochester High School.

A year later she accepted an offer to take charge of the college preparatory department of Wellesley, located in Philadelphia. She taught Latin and Greek there for two years and at the same time had entire charge of the school. She resigned this position in 1887 to marry William A. Montgomery of this city.

She was for many years president of the Weman's Educational

and Industrial Union. That she will be re-elected next Tuesday by a greatly increased majority there are many reliable indications.

HIRAM H. EDGERTON.

The nominee of the Republican party for the important office of President of the Common Council is Hiram H. Edgerton, the present incumbent. Mr. Edgerton has held the office for the past six years and by his affable manner and sound business judgment has clearly demonstrated his fitness for the office.

Mr. Edgerton is a well-known contractor and builder and in this capacity has done much to promote the commercial activity, advance the general welfare and secure the material development of Rochester. As a business man he has always been energetic, enterprising and always abreast of the times.

Mr. Edgerton has served as a member of the old school board, and eight years ago was the choice of his party for mayor, failing of election by only a few votes. He was a member and president of the East Side Sewer Commission during the construction of that work and assisted in carrying it to a successful completion. He is a prominent member of the Builders' Exchange and has served as president of that organization for a number of years.

GEORGE J. WUNDER.

People who know Alderman George J. Wunder, Republican candidate for the Council in the Eighth, smiled when they heard the other day that a campaign operator had said that Mr. Wunder "grafted" from the city by selling to it a piece of land for a playground. Any one who knows Mr. Wunder and his sterling character could never believe such an assertion.

No one was surprised, therefore when the next day through the public press, the author retracted his statement and admitted that, instead of selling the land to the city, Mr. Wunder had given the use of the lots in question to the city free of charge to be used as a children's playground.

He was born in 1859 in the house which stands next door to the house he now occupies, and both in public and private life he has cast all of his sympathies and best efforts in the interests of the Eighth Ward. In the Board of Supervisors and the Common Council he has been conspicuous by his strict attention to business and watchful care for the welfare of his ward. That he will be re-elected in November is conceded even by his opponents.

SAMUEL B. WILLIAMS.

Samuel B. Williams, known by everybody as "Sam", is a candidate for re-election as Comptroller of Rochester's schools, a native of Massachusetts, a resident of the city for 48 years. 40 years of this time he has served in the Volunteer fire department, and is still in service. He is treasurer of a great many organizations more than we have space to enumerate.

His Army record was Private, Orderly, Sergeant and Lieutenant in the Engineers.

His political life—three years a member of the Executive Board, six times elected as City Treasurer, on two occasions being the nominee of both parties, and two years as Comptroller. This experience makes him well posted as to the needs of the city.

As Comptroller, he tries to see that the taxpayers receive full value for every dollar expended, and also to cut out all necessary delay and red tape in the financial management of city government.

For example, the city employees know to a day, a year in advance, when they will be paid, instead of at the convenience of the officials, as was formerly done. The poll clerks and inspectors now receive their pay 7 days after election, instead of waiting 5 or 6 weeks, as was the former custom. Other suggestions have been advanced by the Comptroller, which if carried out, will reduce the time now necessary to wait before the merchants can be paid and still fully safeguard the city treasury.

"Sam" is easy to approach, and knows a man every day in the year, instead of just at election



JAMES P. B. DUFFY.

Candidate for School Commissioner.

James P. B. Duffy, nominated by the Republican city convention for School Commissioner, is twenty-eight years old and is a son of Walter B. Duffy. His early education was received at St. Patrick's Parochial School, Nazareth Hall, and the old Free Academy. He entered Georgetown University at Washington, D.C., in 1897 and graduated therefrom in the spring of 1901. The following fall he entered the Law School of Harvard University and there received his degree in law in June, 1904. The fall of that year he was admitted to the bar and since then has been practicing law in the office of Perkins & Havens.

Mr. Duffy is a Democrat, and in accepting the nomination from the Republican party for school commissioner shows that he firmly believes in keeping the board out of politics. He has always taken an active interest in educational matters and his friends have every confidence in his ability to meet any problem that may come before the School Board.

Mr. Duffy, like the late Dr. Carroll, is a member of the Cathedral congregation.



A. EMERSON BABCOCK

The town of Brighton is most fortunate in its selection of A. Emerson Babcock, as the Republican candidate for Supervisor. He is a loyal Republican and is one of the representative men of Monroe County. He is the only son of Wm. J. Babcock and is a lineal descendant of James Babcock, who was one of the Puritan founders of this country and arrived at Plymouth, Mass., in 1628.

Mr. Babcock is a graduate of Allegheny College, Allegheny, Pa., and was first elected to the Board of Supervisors in 1893. He has served on all of the important committees of the Board and his high standing with his colleagues is evidenced by the fact that he is at present one of the Commissioners of Public Buildings, the most important committee of the Board, and also a member of the Committee on Ways and Means, Law and Local Legislation, Preparation of Tax Bills, and Good Roads.

Supervisor Babcock has been a great friend to the good roads movement and in 1895 was a member of the first Good Roads Committee appointed to investigate the roads of Massachusetts and New Jersey.

In 1895 he was instrumental in defeating the project of annexing the village of Brighton to the City of Rochester, when the residents of the village were opposed to annexation, and during the past year, when the voters of the village decided by vote to favor annexation, he took the only logical position of not interfering with their expressed desire, but he was active and successful in preventing the Holland Settlement, which did not want to be annexed, from being included.

In 1904 a city member of the Board threatened to re-open the old equalization fight and it was through Mr. Babcock's efforts that the attempt was frustrated and his town and all towns profited thereby. In the matter of the repairs to the Dogway Road in Brighton, before the same was accepted by the state, he saved his town some \$600 by insisting that most of the expense be borne by the state and county.

When it was attempted to pass a bill in the last Legislature exempting water, conduits, sewers and other property of the City of Rochester assessed in the town, Mr. Babcock headed a delegation that appeared before a legislative committee at Albany and presented a masterful argument on behalf of his delegation, which brought conviction to the committee and defeated the bill, thus saving to Brighton and other towns many dollars of assessed value.

In view of the foregoing and much more that might be adduced, the voters of Brighton will do well in returning A. Emerson Babcock to the Board of Supervisors.

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