

355. CLARK ROGER THOMAS, b. at Petersburg, N. Y., Feb. 13, 1853.

He graduated from the commercial college at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; was in a store at North Adams, Mass.; afterward was a clerk in Boston, where he d. March 22, 1876, from injuries received at his place of employment. It was said of him that he undoubtedly had faults like other men, but managed to conceal them; was a Unitarian and Republican; unm.

356. WILLIAM JACOB THOMAS, b. at Williamstown, Mass., May 1, 1854.

He received his education, after leaving the public schools, at Graylock Institute. He was a successful clerk in Boston, but, after four years, his health failed, when he went to the Azores and England. Soon after his return he went into the employ of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, and was killed by Greasers a few years after. He was an amateur painter, a pupil of John Johnson; was a Republican and was unm.

357. JOHN EDGAR THOMAS, b. at Williamstown, Mass., Oct. 24, 1855.

He was educated in the public schools of his native town and afterward received a mercantile education in the store of B. F. Mather, in the same place; was for some time in business in Buffalo, N. Y.; is now connected (1890) with a hardware store in Troy, N. Y.; is at present in Europe, where he is introducing a new American type-writing machine; unm.

358. ROBERT BRIMMER THOMAS, b. at Williamstown, Mass., April 21, 1858;  
d. Aug. 29, 1895, from being thrown into the river when he was  
overheated. C. D. T.

133. SYLVANUS THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of William,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. at Hardwick, Vt., Oct. 28, 1805. He removed, with his father's family, to Williamstown, where he finished his education. He commenced active life in Boston, and was, for a time, Assistant Keeper of the House of Correction. While in that capacity he m., on the 30th day of Oct., 1837, Sophia Johnson Kent, b. at Charlestown, Mass., Nov. 8, 1808; and who d., a faithful wife and mother, April 23, 1860. She was the dau. of Samuel Kent, of Charlestown, and Lucy Johnson, of Burlington, Mass.

After leaving his public position he was, for a time, in the market business in Boston, but soon engaged unsuccessfully with some cousins in the cattle business, with headquarters at Albany, N. Y. He finally went to the Mississippi Valley, which was at that time the Western frontier, where, in the bluffs west of Dubuque, he undertook prospecting for lead ore. The mining season