

atic course of self-instruction. He taught school seven winter terms, was superintendent of schools of town six years, having twenty schools in charge. He went from home at the age of sixteen and learned the carpenter's trade. He was afterwards a country merchant for one year, and was long active in public and political affairs. He was supervisor of the town for two years, clerk of the Board of Supervisors two years, member of the State Assembly one year, deputy county clerk six years, deputy collector of customs two years; was supervisor of his ward in Buffalo for one year. He studied law and was admitted to the Bar in 1865, and has since continued in the practice of his profession at Buffalo, where he has resided since Jan. 1, 1859. He is an active director of the Children's Aid Society, of Buffalo, and of the Queen City Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. He married in 1842 Miss Harriet White, daughter of Isaac White, of Vermont. The issue of Mr. Adams and wife are, John C. Adams, of Buffalo, a merchant and manufacturer; Hannah M., wife of Albert Rowland, of Kalamazoo county, Mich.; Harriet A., single, residing with her father, and Carrie, wife of Charles A. Pooley, a lawyer of Buffalo.

HENRY ADAMS, of *New York city*, was born in Albany, N. Y., March 15, 1815. He is eighth in descent from *Henry*, of Braintree, 1634, the ancestor, through *Joseph* (1), b. 1626, *Joseph* (2), b. 1654; *Capt. Ebenezer*, who married 1739, Ann Boylston, and had issue, Peter, b. 11 Jan., 1739, Ann, b. 24 July, 1731, Boylston, b. 20 Feb., 1734, Ebenezer, b. 15 March, 1737, Gabriel, b. 5 Nov., 1739; *Micayah*, b. 6 March, 1741, married Elizabeth Newhall, 15 Oct., 1761, and had issue, Peter Charles, b. 26 Feb., 1767, Joshua, *Pelatah*, Benjamin, Thomas, Charlotte, Lydia, Abigail. *Pelatah* married Hannah Best, and had issue, Benjamin, Catharine, Jeannette, William, Louisa, Lavinia, Henry. Henry Adams, the youngest child of *Pelatah* and Hannah (Best) Adams, was educated under the Lancaster system at Albany. He began his business career as clerk in a grocery store in Albany, and in 1835 removed to New York city, continuing as clerk until 1844, when he started in the same business for himself, under the firm name of Adams & Cushman. At the end of five or six years the firm was dissolved, and he started on his own account in the commission brokerage business. He has been for many years a resident of Brooklyn. He married, in 1849, Mary Ann Bell, of New York city. Seven children are the issue of this marriage, viz.: *Henry, Jr.*, Benjamin, James Pelatah, George B., Henrietta, Louisa and Lavinia.

BENTLEY FULLER ADAMS, of *New York city*, was born in Newton, Mass., May 5th, 1829, son of Joel Cooley Adams, born at Charleston, N. H., about 1800, married Lucinda Otis Fuller, of Newton, Mass.; grandson of *Daniel*, who married Deborah Cooley, of Long Meadow, Mass.; great great grandson of *Thomas*, who was prominent in the French and Indian war, was captured by the Indians in 1757, taken from his home in Charleston and conveyed to Canada, and after being held for some time a prisoner, was released and died of small pox at Quebec, while on his way home. (See History of Charleston, N. H.) He was a descendant probably of Henry, of Braintree. The children of Joel Cooley and Lucinda Otis (Fuller) Adams were: *Helen*, *William Fuller*, *Bentley Fuller*, of whom hereafter; *Louis Henry*, *Sarah Louisa*,