

was much occupied as executor and administrator of estates and other fiduciary trusts.

He retired from active business in 1880 and four years later changed his residence to Rochester, N. Y.

George Thayer married, in Manlius, N. Y., March 2, 1837, Phebe Lorenda Wood of that place, the daughter of Jedediah and Rebecca (Pitts) Wood; she was born in Scipio in the same State December 17, 1813, and died in Lima April 26, 1873. Her remains were removed from Lima in 1893 to Mount Hope Cemetery in Rochester. See Appendix for reprint of funeral discourse; also for notes on her ancestry.

George and Phebe L. (Wood) Thayer had children:—  
 Samuel Richard Thayer, born Richmond, 1837, December 12. Unmarried. Was graduated from Union College in 1860, emigrated to Minnesota, studied law, and commenced the practice of his profession in Minneapolis, where he has resided since 1861. He served as director of the State Normal schools for four years, being elected to that position by vote of the Legislature. Was a delegate to the National Loyal Southern Convention at Philadelphia in 1866. March 19, 1889, President Harrison appointed him Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Netherlands. He served as United States Minister until August 7, 1893, when he resigned. During his official term he was the recipient on divers occasions of the thanks of the Department of State and various historical societies for services rendered. He was the first to recommend to the Government the wisdom of erecting a monument at Dethaven in testimony of the Nation's gratitude to the Pilgrim Fathers and the inhabitants of the Dutch Republic. Union University conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws in 1892.

- 23 Elizabeth Wood Thayer, born Richmond, 1840, November 16. Married William W. Beadle.  
 Abby Thayer, born Richmond, 1843, March 28. Died in that town September 21, 1843, and was buried in the Richmond Center cemetery.