

potential, and the ambitions of his career still unsatisfied. But with the progress he has made as a standard of deduction it is safe to say that he will win the success he aims at in business, as he has already won the guerdon of a high place in the good will and regard of the people among whom he lives and labors, expending his efforts in their behalf as well as in furtherance of his own fortunes.

OLD BANK OF SHELBYNA.

This fine and sterling institution, whose history runs like a veritable thread of gold through the chronicles of Shelbina, was founded in 1873, with a capital stock of \$25,000. It was the successor of the First National Bank, which was founded by John F. Benjamin, who conducted it for a number of years. It was then turned into a private bank and operated as such by Messrs. Reid & Taylor, who had charge of it until it was reorganized as the Bank of Shelbina. Under this last name it was known and did a flourishing business until 1903, when a new charter was granted and "The Old Bank" was founded. In the management of its affairs William H. Warren succeeded Mr. Reid and served as president of the Bank of Shelbina until his death in 1898.

When the Old Bank was organized in 1903 it started business with a capital stock of \$50,000. Its officers were: President, Frank Dimmitt; vice-president, D. G. Minter; cashier, C. K. Dickerson; assistant cashier, E. J. King; directors, C. H. Lasley, George W. Humphrey, James F. Allgaier, J. William Towson, R. E. Smith, Silas Threlkeed and Frank Dim-

mitt. It has a very creditable career and has been an essential and exceedingly serviceable factor in the development and progress of the community, and has contributed vitally and steadily to the comfort, convenience and substantial welfare of the people, helping, by its liberal policy and enterprising methods, all forms of public improvements and private undertakings, and it is justly esteemed as one of the leading elements of all that is good and useful in the financial life of the community.

THE HUNNEWELL' BANK.

After ten years of active and increasing business, in which it has fully justified the hopes of its founders and met the expectations and requirements of the people who trade with it, the Hunnewell Bank can confidently claim that it deserves the high regard in which it is held in the community and the excellent reputation it has in the financial world. It was incorporated on January 18, 1889, under the name it now bears and with the following official staff and directorate: President, J. V. Cox; vice president, John Bohrer; cashier, W. F. Blackburn; directors, the above named gentlemen and Thomas Irons, A. C. Balliet, who is secretary of the board, W. H. Sanders and Obe Thomas. The capital stock was \$25,000, having been raised to that amount from \$20,000 in January of the year 1909, when a general reorganization took place,

The first organization continued until January, 1892, when W. B. Thiehoff was elected a director in place of W. H. San-

ders. In January, 1894, Mr. Thiehoff was elected secretary of the board in place of A. C. Balliet, and filled it until September, 1909. In January, 1909, as has been stated, a general reorganization took place, resulting in the increase in the capital stock above mentioned, with the addition of a surplus of \$1,250, and the election of the following officers: A. C. Balliet, president; B. F. Broughton, vice president; Edward L. Blackburn, cashier; and A. C. Balliet, B. F. Broughton, J. W. Nesbit, J. A. O'Daniel, Wesley Barker, R. H. Durett and W. B. Thiehoff, directors, the last named being secretary of the board. On February 22, 1909, Edward L. Blackburn died and J. A. O'Daniel was chosen cashier in his place with C. P. Painter assistant cashier. In April, 1910, J. A. O'Daniel was elected president and C. P. Painter cashier. The official statement of the condition of the bank at the close of business on June 23, 1909, made under oath by the president and cashier, showed total resources amounting to \$93,564.47, with the sum of \$65,787.29 on deposit, subject to check or time certificates, and net undivided profits aggregating \$2,777.28. The management of the bank from the beginning of its career has been wise and progressive. Its business has been of a general character, including all approved features of advanced modern banking, and as its resources and the volume of its trade have increased, its good name and sterling character have correspondingly risen among the people, so that it is now recognized as one of the soundest, most complete and best directed financial institutions in this part of the country.

William B. Thiehoff, who is one of the

leading potencies in the management of the bank and in popularizing it and spreading its influence among the people of the three counties at whose junction it is located, was born in Shenandoah county, Virginia, on September 23, 1844. His parents were Anthony B. and Caroline (Kibler) Thiehoff, the former a native of Germany and the latter of the same nativity as her son. The father was born in 1812 and came to the United States in 1834. He at once took up his residence in Shenandoah county, Virginia, and there he wrought faithfully and profitably at his trade as a tailor until 1861, when he brought his family to Missouri and located at Hunnewell, where he was engaged in general merchandising until his death in August, 1892. His marriage occurred in 1837 and resulted in a family of six children, three of whom are living: John H., of Austin, Texas; William B., of Hunnewell; and Isabelle C., who is now the wife of R. B. Durbin, of Hunnewell. His wife died after many years of faithful service to her home and offspring, and in September, 1862, the father married again, being united with Miss Sarah E. Spalding, a native of Kentucky. They had one child, their daughter, Mary E., who is now the wife of A. C. Spaulding and lives in Hunnewell. The father was a Democrat in politics, a Catholic in religion and an Odd Fellow in fraternal life.

His son, William B., began his education in the district schools of Virginia and completed it in those of Missouri. After leaving school he followed general farm work until 1869, when he embarked in the furniture and undertaking business in Hunnewell. He adhered to these

lines of mercantile life until 1905, then sold out his business and moved to Hannibal in this state. Near that city he engaged in farming and raising live stock, and also in dairying on a large scale. He is still conducting those enterprises with success and profit for himself and greatly to the advantage of the people living around him and in the city of his home, where he has his principal market. Although living in Hannibal, he still serves the Hunnewell Bank faithfully and efficiently as the secretary of its board of directors. Always active and intelligent in working for the good of the community in which he maintained his home, he exhibited to the people of Hannibal such superior qualifications for administrative duties that they elected him mayor of the city and found they had made no mistake in their choice. He gave them a good administration of city affairs, promoting the progress of the municipality and carefully guarding all its interests from neglect and spoliation.

In his political allegiance, Mr. Thiehoff has always been a pronounced working Democrat. The candidates and struggles of his party always enlist his active aid and his services are at all times found to be effective. In fraternal life he is a prominent member of the Masonic order, in which he has long been a hard and fruitful worker. He served the Hunnewell lodge of the order seventeen years as secretary, one year as senior warden and two as worshipful master, holding it up to the highest standard of Masonic work and regularity at all times, and infusing great interest and instruction into its meetings. He

was married in 1880 to Miss Sarah Etta Jones, a native of Missouri. They have had one child, their daughter Augusta L., who is now the wife of C. D. Young and a resident of Hannibal. In all the relations of life, Mr. Thiehoff has exhibited an elevated and elevating citizenship, and in all his business ventures he has shown great capacity and energy, involving zeal tempered with prudence, and a commanding progressiveness restrained and governed by an enlightened conservatism. He has been very successful and is regarded as one of the leading business men and best citizens of the portion of the state in which he lives.

ANDREW B. DUNLAP.

Descended from long lines of sturdy and productive ancestors, Andrew B. Dunlap, of Hunnewell, had shown in several fields of human endeavor that heredity has weight, exemplifying by his own industry, capacity, sterling character and success in life the strains from which he sprang and the fiber of which they were composed. He has taken the qualities of his being as his capital and invested them in a career of great credit to himself and decided advantage to the community in which they have been employed,

Mr. Dunlap was born on August 13, 1874, in Hannibal, Missouri, and is a son of Robert H. and Delma C. (Smith) Dunlap, a brief account of whose lives is published elsewhere in this work. He was brought to Hunnewell by his parents in his infancy, so that practically the whole of his life has been passed in that city. He was educated in its public