

push he has won a prominent position among the agriculturists of this section of the county. In religion he is a Universalist and in politics an unswerving Democrat. He was Supervisor of Schools in Paris from 1886 until 1888. An esteemed member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, he belongs to Norway Lodge, No. 16, Wildey Encampment, No. 21, and Wildey Canton, No. 8, of Norway. He has also affiliation with the Paris Grange, No. 44, Patrons of Husbandry.

On February 22, 1881, Mr. Dean married Mary A. Hussey, daughter of Samuel A. Hussey, prominently identified with the social and official life of Waterford, Me., where he resides. Mr. and Mrs. Dean have three children, namely: Arthur E., born June 21, 1883; Henry A., born August 27, 1888; and Myrtle, born June 13, 1895.

WILLIAM MORRISON, one of Farmington's retired business men, who was for many years identified with the lumber manufacturing industry of this locality, was born upon the site of his present residence, October 8, 1821, son of John and Sarah (Tufts) Morrison. The Morrison family, which is of Scotch-Irish stock, descends from Robert Morrison, a native of Londonderry, Ireland, who emigrated to America during the Colonial period, and settled at Bridgewater, Mass., where he followed the trade of a general mechanic. His son, William, Mr. Morrison's great-grandfather, married Sarah Montgomery, by whom he became the father of four sons — William, Robert, John, and James.

William Morrison, Mr. Morrison's grandfather, who was a blacksmith by trade, resided for a time in Middleboro, Mass. From there he came to the District of Maine in 1805, making a settlement in Farmington, where he bought two hundred acres of the Sewell tract. Here he cleared a farm, erected a large house, spent the remainder of his life occupied in farming and working at his trade, and died at the age of seventy-seven years. He was a man of great physical strength and energy. He took a broad and liberal view of religious subjects, while in politics he supported the

Whig party. In 1772 he married Hannah Benson, with whom he reared a family of seven children — Robert, William, John, Sally, Betsey, Hannah, and Jane. The mother, who attended the Baptist church, reached the age of seventy-seven years.

John Morrison, who was born in Massachusetts, March 3, 1784, assisted his father in clearing and improving the farm. He subsequently inherited the property; and he became very prosperous as a general farmer and lumberman, owning a half-interest in the sawmills at North Chesterville, then one of the principal industries in this locality. He was a member of the Board of Selectmen for the years 1821 and 1822, and he served with ability in other town offices. He maintained a lively interest in public affairs and in the industrial development of the town until his death, which occurred in 1857. He was a Universalist in his religious belief, and he contributed generously to relieve the necessities of the poor and needy. His wife, Sarah, who was a daughter of Francis Tufts, Jr., became by him the mother of seven children; namely, Sarah, John B., William, Hannah, Robert M., Benjamin F., and Elizabeth C. She died in 1852, aged fifty-five years.

William Morrison acquired his education in the town schools, and subsequently learned the trade of a blacksmith. He inherited thirty acres of the homestead property and the old family residence that stood on it. In 1848 he replaced the residence with a more modern and spacious dwelling. In the same year he bought an interest in the North Chesterville mills, and engaged in the manufacture of lumber. The enterprise was profitable to him and beneficial to the work-people of this locality. He displayed excellent business ability, and gained in his dealings the reputation of an honorable and upright man. His prosperity continued unabated throughout his long period of activity. Since his retirement he has passed his time pleasantly at his farm, which he enlarged some years since by the purchase of adjoining land. He still superintends his farm, is remarkably well preserved and healthy for one of his years, and is a most entertaining conversationalist. He attends the Universalist church, and is a member of