

tures in both Chicago and New York city. Socially he is agreeable and obliging, and this is an additional equipment for success in his practice and popularity among the people. He is a member of both county and state medical societies and holds membership in the National Medical Association. The doctor is local surgeon for the Burlington railroad and enjoys a wide acquaintance in Northern Missouri.

On February 20, 1873, he was married to Miss Ida M. Myers, of Palmyra, Missouri. The *six* children who have blessed and brightened their household are all living. They are: Mark H., a resident of Brookfield, Missouri; Madge G., the wife of B. T. Willis, of Clarence, this state; Julia C., the widow of Dr. J. C. Settles, of Arkadelphia, Arkansas; Bessie B., the wife of E. W. Jewett, of Shelbina; Effie D. and Jo. The doctor is a Democrat in politics, a Baptist in religious faith and a Knight of Pythias in fraternal life.

THOMAS W. LYELL, D. D. S.

Dr. Thomas W. Lyell, who is one of the leading dentists in Northern Missouri, is a scion of a distinguished family. He is a son of the late Thomas P. Lyell, a prominent citizen of this county, a brief account of whose useful and inspiring life will be found in the biography of John R. Lyell, another son of the same household and a brother of the doctor. In his professional work and private life the doctor worthily sustains the reputation of the family for intellectual supremacy, moral excellence and high-toned citizenship, with a progres-

sive spirit that renders good service wherever the enduring welfare of the community is involved.

Dr. Lyell was born in Shelby county on October 18, 1871. When he was twelve years of age the family moved to Shelbina, and here he has ever since resided except during his absence at school. He began his academic training in the public schools of the town and the locality of his earlier home, and completed it at Central College, in Fayette, Missouri. In 1893 he began the study of dentistry, finding in it agreeable occupation for his faculties at the start and pursuing it with a diligence and interest which have never flagged. He was graduated from the Western Dental College in Kansas City, Missouri, in 1896, and at once centered upon the practice of his profession at Shelbina, where he is still actively engaged in it.

The science of dentistry is a progressive one and requires close and continued study to keep pace with its rapid advancement. Dr. Lyell has been all that the case requires in this respect and is well up in all departments of his work. He is master of the theories on which the science is based and has been developed, and is also a skillful, ready and resourceful practitioner. All that is latest and best in dentistry he has literally at his fingers' ends, his primary ambitions being to give his patrons the best possible returns for the money they pay him and make himself a complete and unquestioned master of his business.

Although he is wedded to his professional work and makes it his chief concern, Dr. Lyell finds time to carefully consider and actively aid in promoting

the general weal of the community. He is zealous in the support of every commendable undertaking for the advancement and improvement of the city and county of his home, and deeply and intelligently interested in the public affairs of the state and the country. In political faith and allegiance he is a firm and faithful Democrat, giving his party and its candidates effective support although seeking none of the honors or emoluments of office for himself. Having interests in several farms in the county to the cultivation of which he gives a share of his personal attention, he is also useful in helping the agricultural interests of this portion of the state to higher and better development. His social rank in the community is among the highest, and his attention to social matters gives them tone and intensity of life, while his genial and captivating personality renders him a favorite in any circles of which he is a part. His religious affiliation is with the M. E. Church South and his fraternal connection with the Knights of Pythias and the Modern Woodmen of America.

On October 1, 1896, he united in marriage with Miss Mary Wilson, who was born and reared in this state. She presides over their pleasant home with grace and dignity, making it a favorite resort for their hosts of friends, who find it a center of social and intellectual culture and a summer region of refined and generous hospitality.

JOSEPH A. DANIEL, D. D. S.

Dr. Joseph A. Daniel, who is a prominent dentist of Shelbina and making an excellent record and reputation in his

profession, is a native of this state and wholly a product of its institutions, having never lived out of it except when he was attending the dental college in preparation for his life work. He was born in Randolph county on September 8, 1877, and is a son of John S. and Elmyra V. (Hutton) Daniel, the former born in Kentucky in 1831 and the latter a native of Missouri. They were married in 1869 and became the parents of seven children, all of whom are living. They are: Rolla E., a resident of this county; Elizabeth, wife of A. W. Meadows, of Clarence; Edgar J., also a resident of Clarence; William O., of Clarence, and Josephus, of Shelbina, twin brothers; Iva M., wife of Dr. Maddox, of Middlegrove, Monroe county; and Ora M., whose home is in Shelby county.

When the father was eighteen years old the siren voice of California was filling the world with its golden music, and he, like many another adventurous spirit, was lured by it to the distant Pacific slope, joining the hardy and hopeful band of argonauts who have passed into history as "the Forty-Niners," and whose daring journey across the trackless plains of our then unknown western world has taken its place high among the romantic and heroic episodes of all our history. The success Mr. Daniel achieved in the new eldorado has not been made a part of the record, but it was not enough to induce him to remain in the mining regions. He returned to his Randolph county farm in due season and in 1884 moved to this county, where he has ever since remained and devoted his energies to advanced and profitable farming and stock raising on an extensive