

General Dudley was extremely liberal to all public improvements and enterprises. His children, thirteen in number, will be mentioned in the genealogy to be given in another number of this work.

SKETCH OF REV. MYRON S.¹ DUDLEY

(*Stephen,⁵ Gen. Peter,² Stephen,⁴ Samuel,³ Samuel,² Francis¹*).

MYRON SAMUEL DUDLEY was born February 20, 1837, at the Dudley Homestead, Peru, Vermont. He is the son of Stephen and Lydia (Davis) Dudley.

After passing through the Common Schools of his native town, and several terms at the West River Academy in Londonderry, Vt., Myron was qualified to teach school, and did teach, with success, for several terms during the winter, while he worked upon his father's large farm during the spring and summer, and continued his studies in the autumn.

In the autumn of 1856 he entered Burr and Burton's Seminary, Manchester, Vermont, with the purpose of preparing for Troy Polytechnic School, to become a civil engineer. He soon changed his plans and decided to go to college. In 1859, he entered Williams College, Williamstown, Mass., where he was graduated in 1863, among the honor men of his class.

Very soon after graduation Mr. Dudley went to Brookville, County seat of Bracken County, Kentucky, where his brother George had just died. After spending a few months there visiting an uncle, Charles H. Lee, Esq., and teaching the school of which his brother had been principal, the earnest call of President Lincoln, issued in the autumn of 1863, revived a resolution formed in college to go to the front as a soldier if there should be urgent need. He enlisted in Chester, Vermont, where his father was then living, in November, 1863, and by the first of January, 1864, was in the camp of his Regiment, the Fifth Vermont Veteran Volunteers, near Brandy Station, Virginia.

Within a year after his enlistment in this veteran regiment as a private, Mr. Dudley passed through the grades of Sergeant, First Lieutenant and Captain. His regiment belonged to the Sixth Army Corps. Capt. Dudley was wounded in the Battle of the Wilderness. The wound was slight, keeping him from the field