

SAMUEL H. MANN. There are few men whose lives are crowned with the honor and respect which is universally accorded to Samuel H. Mann, but through some twenty years' connection with the history of Arkansas his has been an unblemished character. With him success in life has been reached by sterling qualities and a heart true to every manly principle. He has never deviated from what his judgment indicated to be right and honorable between his fellowmen and himself. He has never swerved from the path of duty and he has every reason to enjoy the consciousness of having gained for himself by his honorable, straightforward career the confidence and respect of the entire community in which he lives. He has attained a foremost position at the bar of the state and has been a most prominent factor in banking circles in this section of the state. As a member of the well known law firm of Mann, Rollwage & Morrow, at Forrest City, St. Francis county, he has attained distinctive prestige in the legal fraternity and his career has been faultless in honor and stainless in reputation.

Mr. Mann was born at Brownsville, Tennessee, on the 1st day of October, 1867, and he is a son of William B. and Victoria (Wilson) Mann, the former of whom is now deceased and the latter of whom resides at Marianna, Arkansas. The Mann family is an old and prominent one in Tennessee, representatives of the name having wielded a potent influence in shaping the destinies of the south. Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mann became the parents of thirteen children and of the number twelve are still living. Samuel H. Mann received his preliminary educational training in the place of his birth and prior to coming to Arkansas he was identified with the mercantile business in Brownsville. In 1891 he decided to seek his fortunes further west and accordingly came to Forrest City, this state, where he has since resided and where his success as a business man and lawyer has been of unexcelled order. He entered upon the study of law and in 1894 was admitted to the bar of the state and since that year has been actively identified with the work of his profession. His success was almost immediate and he is now recognized as one of the best lawyers in the state, his practice extending over fourteen counties in eastern Arkansas. He is the legal counsel for many rich and important commercial and financial interests in this section and he has figured in many important litigations in the state and federal courts. Since 1897 he has been senior member of the law firm of Mann, Rollwage & Morrow. In addition to the work of his profession he is a director in the Bank of Eastern Arkansas and is a stockholder in the Planters' Bank & Trust Company, both of Forrest City. He is also a director in Banks at Wheatly and Palestine, besides which he has other financial interests of broad scope and importance. Most of his attention, however, is devoted to his legal work, which is growing daily more important. He is a man of remarkable intellectuality and tremendous activity. In politics he is aligned as a stalwart in the ranks of the Democratic party and he takes a deep interest in all movements projected for the general welfare of the community. He is

affiliated with various professional and fraternal organizations of representative character and he and his wife are zealous members of the Methodist church.

In the year 1889 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Mann to Miss Mary Ramsey, who was born and reared at Trenton, Tennessee, whence she came to Arkansas with her husband. To this union have been born three children, namely,—Francis, Samuel H., Jr., and Mattie.

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