

firm, passed several months of the past year in Germany and other portions of the continent, studying the workings of the new machinery which has been brought out for the purpose of manufacturing this work alone. He remained for a time in Hanover and Brussels, at each of which places he had opportunities for study not vouchsafed in this country. None of these boxes are manufactured west of New York, with the exception of those made by this firm. With ample machinery, knowledge of the work, and steady industry, the firm will, without doubt, progress steadily on the road to success.

A. GEORGE SCHULZ, senior member of the above firm, was born in Neu-Strelitz, Germany, in 1854; came to Milwaukee in 1872; learned the trade of book binder in his native country, and worked at the same after his arrival in America, until the above business was established.

GEORGE WEINHAGEN, member of the above firm, was born in Hanover, in 1859; came to Milwaukee in 1874; followed the profession of book-keeping until joining in the firm as above.

Otto Laverrenz & Brother, book binders and paper box manufacturers, No. 428 East Water street. Business established by Otto Laverrenz, father of the members of the above firm, in 1850, and continued by him until his death, which occurred in 1860. The business was continued by his widow until 1872, when she also died, the business being carried on since that time by the sons, as above.

OTTO LAVERRENZ, of the above firm, was born in Berlin, Prussia, January 2, 1844; came to Milwaukee with his parents in 1849; learned the trade as above, which he has continued to the present time.

CHARLES LAVERRENZ, of the above firm, was born in Milwaukee, August 22, 1851. After completing his education he commenced business as a member of the above firm, in 1872.

J. B. TURCK, President of the Diamond Ink Company, is a native of Palmyra, N. Y., and was born September 1, 1833. His parents came to Milwaukee when he was only 4 years of age (1837), being among the earliest settlers. He studied law, was admitted to practice in the Circuit Court in 1858, and two years later in the Supreme Court, continuing to follow his profession for fifteen years. He engaged in his present business, in a small way, in 1876, and by constant application has built up a large trade. The Diamond Ink Company was incorporated in 1879, Mr. Turck being elected President. Its standard ink is rapidly growing in favor East, West, North and South. In 1856, Mr. Turck was married to Miss Sarah Ann Ashby, a native of London, England. They have three children—Fenton B., Josie C. and James B.

RETAIL BOOK DEALERS AND STATIONERY.

GEORGE FUNCK, dealer in German and English school books and stationery, No. 209 Reed street. He was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, in 1827; came to America in 1854, and to this city in 1861, engaging as foreman of the *Herold*, until 1865, when he established his present business.

WILLIAM E. FIELD, proprietor of news stand, stationery and confectionery at No. 375 Reed street, was born in New York, but came to Milwaukee when a child; was a machinist for several years and commenced his present business in August, 1880.

HERMANN NIEDNER, residence, No. 624 Tenth street, was born in Holstein, Saxony, Germany; came to America in 1853, and located in Philadelphia. He remained there five years, coming to Milwaukee in 1858. He was engaged for a time in the confectionery and fruit business, and afterward in the manufacture of carpets. He is at present selling paper in Chicago. Mr. Niedner was married January 2, 1854, to Miss Theresa Wolf. She was born in Leipsic, Germany. They have six sons and a daughter.

CHARLES SONTAG, book-seller and stationer, No. 195 Reed street, a native of Germany, was born in 1845. He came to Milwaukee in 1849, and engaged with Noonan & McNab, wholesale paper manufacturers. He was with them eight years, when he established his present business in 1877, which he has since successfully conducted.

HELMUTH F. WERNER, dealer in school books and stationery, carving, picture frames, and window cornices, No. 571 Third street, was born in Buffalo, New York, in 1855; came to this city in 1859. Here he learned the trade of carving in wood. He established his present business in August, 1878.

GEORGE K. ZACHARIASEN, book-seller and stationer, No. 141 Reed street; born in Norway in 1841. He sailed on the ocean from the age of fourteen until 1863, when he came to this city and sailed on