

*The Temperance Visitor*, a short time, for the proprietor, Mr. Goward.

Messrs. L. Prang & Co., employed me to compile an illustrated hand-book to be sold to the soldiers around Washington. It was entitled :

OFFICERS OF OUR UNION ARMY AND NAVY: Their Lives and their Portraits. Edited by DEAN DUDLEY, 1862. Vol. I.

This is a valuable little volume—a *multum in parvo*—just what is needed in these dark and trying times of rebellion. It is full of valuable matter. It is a biographical epitome of distinguished generals of the American army—men at the head of six hundred thousand volunteers, who have nobly come forward in defence of the Union, and of all that is dear to us. It promises to be followed by a second volume, devoted to more of our glorious navy officers. An effort so honorable and patriotic deserves patronage and success.—*Boston Daily Evening Traveller*.

When the Union army left Washington, Prang & Co. suspended the publication. They also published *Illustrated Archaeological and Genealogical Collections of New England*, edited by Dean Dudley, Boston, 1861. This was an enterprise of Mr. Prang, the lithographer; but I collected, designed and copied all the plates of the first series, and one or two of the second series. The war then began to engross all Mr. Prang's time and attention, so no more were issued by him. I had never done any lithographic drawing before; but Mr. Prang urged me to try and see what would come of it.

I then designed and published a large tabular pedigree of the English Dudley Ancestry. No pedigree of that family so extensive had before been seen even in England. The editor of the *N. E. Historical and Genealogical Register* in his published notice said, "he had not seen one equal to it." It was also noticed in the *Herald and Genealogist* of London. The sheet is 32 by 23 inches. The first date is 1079 and the last 1728. It gives about twenty-five generations of Dudleys. Many lines of the female ancestors are also traced back to the Norman conquest.

This work I wrote with lithographic ink, at one sitting of a day and night, and, before the ink was dry, Mr. Prang laid it on a stone and got a good impression of the whole, printing from it a few hundred copies. The date on it is "March, 1861." I have a few of the copies yet. No bookseller ever had it for sale so far as I know.

I have compiled and published nearly a hundred directories of towns, cities and counties, in many of which I inserted editorials, histories, gazetteers, etc. Another work of mine was *Historical Sketches of the Towns and Cities of Plymouth and Barnstable Counties, Mass.*, by "Dean Dudley," 1873.

Finally I began this *History of the Dudley Family*, about 1887, and have issued nine numbers of one hundred pages each, thus far, and a *Memorial of the Dudley Reunion* of sixty pages.