

presidents, governors of Massachusetts, and of the kings and queens of England.

14. Col. Willard T. Block, recently of Des Moines, now of Pittsburgh, commenced autograph collecting when a boy of twelve, and prosecuted it diligently for ten years; but has latterly ceased making any special efforts to increase his collections. His set of the signers numbers fifty-one, of which twenty-two are A. L. S.—J. Adams, Gerry, Ellery, Huntington, Floyd, Lewis, Hopkinson, Stockton, Clymer, Franklin, R. Morris, Rush, Wilson, Carroll, Chase, Paca, Jefferson, F. L. Lee, R. H. Lee, Nelson, Hewes, and Walton; twenty-six A. D. S. and D. S., and three signatures—Hart and Morton to colonial currency, and Livingston a signature only. Smith, Hooper, Lynch, Gwinnett, and Hall are lacking. Col. Block has also quite a collection of American autographs, including a complete set of the presidents of the old Congress, save Henry Middleton; and all the presidents of the United States.

15. Rev. Dr. Jos. H. Dubbs, of Lancaster, Pa., has fifty of the signers, made up, as a rule, of letters or fine A. D. S., and not including any cut signatures; the lacking autographs are Penn, Heyward, Lynch, Middleton, Gwinnett, and Hall.

Dr. Dubbs has also a nearly complete set of the signers of the constitution; and other series, yet incomplete, of the generals of the Revolution, presidents, vice-presidents, and cabinet members; judges of the supreme court; naval officers, American authors, and American divines, including more than a hundred Episcopal bishops; together with series of Pennsylvania members of the Continental Congress and since, governors, senators, and attorney-generals. Dr. Dubbs commenced making his collections in 1860, and has been very successful; giving, however, but little attention to them of late years.

16. George M. Conarroe, attorney-at-law, Philadelphia, commenced his collections about 1850, and gathered the most of them during the ensuing ten years. His set of the signers numbers forty-eight, of which thirty-three are A. L. S.; Paine, Witherspoon, Morton, Ross, Smith, Taylor,