



### EX-MAYOR FREEMAN PATTEN OF GARDINER.

**T**HE Squires of ancient days were they, who fixed their hearts on land.  
 Who loved the joys that fertile fields and lowing herds command  
 Who walked among their growing crops and saw in simpler lives,  
 A peace that wealth alone denies to him who for it strives.  
 The modern squires, in full descent from those of ancient date,  
 Find rich inheritance of life in owning "real" estate  
 And, kin to those, who loved the land turn backward to the soil,  
 As full relief from strenuous lives of turmoil and of toil.  
 Analogies hold good herewith, in him who's limned above,  
 A man whose business talents great, can ne'er deprive a love  
 For fields and flocks and acres broad, from having its desire  
 But finds in each important call, incentive to aspire.