## Men of the Hour: John R. Webber

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HON. JOHN R. WEBBER, MAYOR OF AUBURN.

It speaks a lot for fellowship: it's better far than fame.

When your fellow townsmen greet you by the handle of your name;

And it's not wholly unimportant, nor too small to dwell upon,

That the Mayor's partner's "Johnnie," while the Mayor's always "John."

For he's won his spurs by working, in a quiet, modest way;

By building up a business on the plan that's built to stay.

And he's done the same in social life, in politics, of course;

In masonry, he's filled the chairs with dignity and force;

And wherever you may travel, the imprint you will find

Of the Merrill-Webber print-shop -- "the same old honest kind."

So I hold it far from trivial, that things that spell "success"

Are the fruits of perseverance and unremitting friendliness.

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