employs at present eight men. He is a member of the Scandinavian Benevolent Society, of which he has been President, Secretary and Treasurer.

FREDERICK MUELLER, fresco and scenic artist, residence No. 318 Cedar street. He was born in Mecklenburg, Germany, in 1834. In 1866, he came to America, and to Milwaukee in 1868. He learned his trade in Hamburg, Germany. In 1859, he was married to Miss Louisa Lueth, of Germany, by whom he has had three sons, all living in Milwaukee. He is Secretary of Wisconsin Grove, No. 1; of Arch Chapter, Milwaukee, No. 3, and of Frauen Zirkel, No. 1, Milwaukee, all of the Ancient Order of Druids. Mr. Mueller has done work in some of the best buildings in the city, including St. Gall's church, the Grand Opera-house, etc., and is one of the prominent workmen in his profession, having risen by his own efforts.

JACOB MUELLER, painter, Nos. 28 and 30 Johnson street; born in Germany in 1829. He came to Milwaukee in 1853, and commenced business as painter, glazier and paper-hanger in 1857, locating near where his present business now is. In 1855, he was married to Miss Kathrina Williams. They have two sons and four daughters.

WILLIAM MANSKE, plain and ornamental painter, residence and shop No. 742 Third street, is a native of Germany, born in 1837. He came to Milwaukee in 1868, and has since worked at his trade here. He was married in 1862. Mr. and Mrs. Manske have one daughter. The family are members of the German Methodist Church.

CHARLES PARR, plain and ornamental painter, residence No. 670 Seventh street, is a native of England, born in 1834. He learned his trade there, and came to America in 1860, locating in Milwaukee. He was for a time engaged by the Government as painter and glazier.

HENRY RŒBEL, gilder, No. 119 Wisconsin street, rooms 7 and 8, commenced business in the Fall of 1878. He learned his trade in Frankfort-on-the-Oder, in Germany, and came to America, at the age of 17, in September, 1868. He worked for P. T. Poposkey seven years, and subsequently was a partner of Mr. Werner. Mr. Rœbel was born September 22, 1850, in Frankfort, Germany. He married Miss Kate Schauss, of Milwaukee, May 19, 1875. They have one son.

GUSTAVUS SCHWEMER, member of the firm of Schwemer & Co., fresco painters, No. 439 National avenue; born in Rostock, Germany in 1839; he came to this city in 1865 and established business, locating on Grove street, where he remained four years; he then removed to his present location; he is a member of the South Side Turners and the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

FRED. SCHMIDT, general painter, residence and shop No. 475 Seventh street. Mr. Schmidt is a native of Germany; he came to this city in 1856 and married Miss Wilhemina Jaeger in 1858. She is also a native of Prussia. They have two sons and four daughters. Herman, the oldest son, assists his father in the business. The family are members of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

CORNELIUS STRAUSS, painter and calciminer, shop No. 503 Tenth street, commenced business in 1867; he employs at present nine men, and makes a specialty of house painting. Mr. Strauss is a native of Mecklenburg and was born in 1839; he is a son of Henry and Elizabeth Strauss; he was a sailor seven years on the high seas, and six years on the lakes before the mast; he learned his trade while on board a man-of-war; he located in Milwaukee in 1861. In 1859 Mr. Strauss was married to Miss Sophia Brandt. They have four sons and three daughters. At the time of the war he was in the navy on a gun boat on the Mississippi River, participating in the battle of Fort Donaldson and other engagements.

HUGO ZEDLER, house, sign, carriage and ornamental painter, No, 771 Third street, was born in Milwaukee in 1856. In 1879 he was married to Miss Emma Schmidt. He established his present business in 1876.

## FLORISTS, LANDSCAPE GARDENERS, ETC.

FRANK WHITNALL, florist, floral decorations, seeds and plants, No. 428 Milwaukee street, greenhouse No. 1184 Humboldt avenue; business established in 1860. Mr. Whitnall is one of the oldest American florists in the city; his greenhouses, ten in number, are situated three miles north of the City Hall, on Humboldt avenue, and are connected by telephone with city office.

FRANK ELLIS, florist, etc., No. 1086 Humboldt avenue, office with Wright Bros., No. 212 Wisconsin street, was born in Milwaukee on the ninth day of November, 1844; commenced business with Frank Whitnall, under the firm name of Whitnall & Ellis in 1865, continuing until 1874, when he sold his interest to his partner and started in business for himself. The business is confined exclusively to cut flowers and floral designs.

Currie Brothers, seedsmen and florists, No. 451 Milwaukee street, green-houses