



RUFFIN GOLDSTON PLEASANT,

Attorney General-Elect, State of Louisiana.

It was on June 2, 1871, that Ruffin Goldston Pleasant was born at Shiloh, La. He received his education at the common schools at Shiloh and Farmerville, Ruston College, Mount Lebanon College, Louisiana State University, Harvard Summer School of Law and Yale Law School. Reviewing his professional career, we find him assistant professor at the Louisiana State University from 1894 to 1896, lieutenant colonel First Regiment Louisiana Volunteers in the Spanish-American War. He was elected city attorney three times in the city of Shreveport during 1902 and 1908, and was appointed assistant to the attorney general of the State of Louisiana in 1908. He was a candidate for attorney general in the present campaign and was elected by an overwhelming majority. In politics his affiliations have been with the Democratic Party. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks No. 122. His offices are located at room 403 New Court building, New Orleans, and his country residence is in Shreveport. He was married in that city on Feb. 14, 1906, to Miss Anne Ector. His ancestry previous to settlement in America was English, Irish and Scotch, and the date of the founding of the family in America was before the Revolutionary War. On his father's side seven brothers settled in Virginia. His mother's maiden name was Martha Washington Duty, and his father was Benjamin Franklin Pleasant. His father was first a farmer, then a merchant and then sheriff of Union Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Pleasant recently secured the nomination of attorney general.