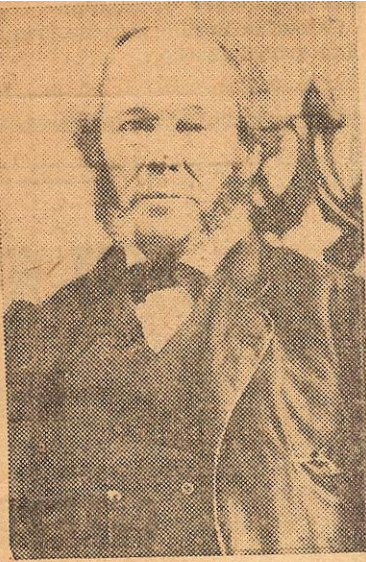


## A.G. Franklin



**ALBERT GALITON FRANKLIN**, known in Greenfield history as Colonel Franklin, was "mine host" at two famous hostelrys which bore his name. Colonel Franklin was a native of Virginia, his birth date being Oct. 12, 1803. He was the great grandfather of Mrs. Frank (Mary Ware) Doyle, 434 Jefferson st. His dining room was famous for its "good old-fashioned southern cookery." In September, 1856, Colonel Franklin and his wife, Jeanette, bought the original Dunlap House (on the present Harper Hotel site) from John Hyer, and operated it as the Franklin House until they sold it to Jesse Harper on March 6, 1861. Harper changed the name to the Harper House. Colonel Franklin soon acquired the two-story frame building which stood on the southeast corner of Washington and Lafayette sts., and opened a new Franklin House there, which became well and favorably known to the traveling public, its dining room famous for its excellent food, and its lobby a favorite gathering place for both travelers and towns-people. The building was erected before the Civil War, and was torn down by C. A. Kenworthy in 1945.