

The Beckett Foundry & Machine Works. Joseph P. Mullin, General Manager, Forest Street and Railroad; 143 Liberty Street, New York.—A block of buildings, reaching from one to three stories in height, fitted throughout with every conceivable device for turning out steam engines, hoisting engines, mining and milling machinery, shafting and pulleys, stamp mill machinery, Cornish pumps, rock crushers and poles, iron castings, etc., etc., must certainly be a great help in building up a town, and no doubt Arlington owes a great deal of her prosperity to the Beckett Foundry & Machine Works, which employs, on an average, one hundred hands, often reaching to the number of one hundred and fifty. In speaking of the Beckett Works, it is our purpose to introduce or call attention to another of



JOSEPH P. MULLIN.

Arlington's representative business men in the person of its alert manager, Mr. Joseph P. Mullin, a master machinist, an author and a gentleman who, by his industry, intelligence, persistence and sobriety has given an example for her ambitious young men to follow. Mr. Mullin was born in Hamilton, Canada, in 1854. Sixteen years ago he entered the employ of the Beckett Works, then known as the Beckett & McDowell Manufacturing Company. Beginning in the pattern shop, he advanced by regular and varied stages through all the different departments, including the drawing office. In June, 1890, he resigned his position as chief draftsman and accepted that of superintendent of the Jersey City Machine Works, Jersey City. About the first of October, 1893, the Beckett Foundry & Machine Company changed hands, and Mr. Mullin became general manager.

While attending strictly to business during working hours he devoted his time at nights to win distinction and national reputation on both sides of the Atlantic as being the author of a valuable practical treatise upon pattern shop and foundry work, entitled "Modern Moulding and Pattern Making," an 800 page volume, with 165 illustrations, embracing articles on everything needed in a foundry, which has been highly commended. Mr. Mullin besides being a master of his trade is a gentleman of refinement and a public spirited citizen. He takes an active interest in politics, and while he is, perhaps, as racy a writer on any public questions as can be found in the State, he is conceded one of the best platform speakers in Hudson County.