



CORNELIUS SHEA.

CORNELIUS SHEA was born at Richmond Valley, S. I., in May 1863, just one week after the battle of Chancellorsville, and was named after his uncle who was killed in that battle. In 1887, he removed to Tottenville and has, ever since, been a resident of that village.

Mr. Shea, is a story writer or author by profession, and has been for five years a regular contributor to *Golden Hours*, a young people's weekly, published by Norman L. Munro, of New York city, a paper of very extensive circulation. His stories have been honored by some of the finest and most prominent illustrations of those of any contributor of *Golden Hours*, and have always taken a high rank; always being of the most entertaining and exciting character.

Mr. Shea, who is somewhat of a politician, as well as an author, is always prominent in the local contests in his town, and has twice been elected town clerk on the Democratic ticket, when nearly every other candidate was defeated. Mr. Shea is also an enthusiastic club and secret society man, and is a member of Huguenot Lodge, F. & A. M., Richmond Lodge, K. of P., Bentley Lodge, I. O. of O. F., of Tottenville, of Eureka Engine Co. No. 2, of Tottenville, and the Staten Island Press Club.