

Baird was born Jan. 25, 1845, in North Harpersfield, N. Y. Four children have graced this happy union, Mary, Getty, John and Helen. Leaving his young bride, our subject entered the ranks of Co. E, 3d N. Y. V. Cav., March 6, 1862, at Stanford, N. Y., as a private, and in a short time, because of his gallant service, was promoted to Corp., then Sergt. During all those dark years of bloody conflicts, Mr. Baird exhibited extraordinary daring and courage; he was one of the most trusted men of his regiment, and often he was sent as a scout into the enemy's lines. In April, 1863, Comrade Baird was detailed as officer of the day at Newburn, N. C., six months. Among his numerous battles may be mentioned Petersburg, Blackwater, Goldsboro, Kinston, Whitehall and many skirmishes. After he had proven himself a true patriot, he was discharged March 6, 1865, at Suffolk, Va. Sergt. Baird's two brothers were in the service, Giles, in an Ill. Regt., and George, in a N. Y. Regt. Mr. Baird now resides at Irving, N. Y.; he is a genial hotel keeper and one of the most respected men of his county.

GEORGE W. BARBER.

George W. Barber was born Oct. 21, 1837, in Syracuse, N. Y., and settled in this county in 1840. He was farming near Stockton, N. Y., when the Union of the States was dissolved and the mystic empire of the South sought to overthrow the adamant foundations of the Northern government. Those thrilling scenes stirred his patriot blood and he enlisted Aug. 10, 1862, at Stockton, N. Y., in Co. G, 49th N. Y. V. I., 3d Brig., 2d Div., 4th and 6th A. C. He was to the front in the most desperately fought battles of the war: Williamsburg, Seven Pines, Seven Days' fight, Mechanicsville, Harrison Landing, Fairfax, Drainsville, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Wilderness and Spotsylvania C. H. Dec. 22, 1861, at Drainsville, Va., he was shot in the forehead by a minie ball. In June and July, 1864, he lay in the hospital on Liberty Hill, Washington, suffering with typhoid fever and on this account was rendered unfit for further service, and was given his honorable discharge at Washington, August, 1864. After the war he returned to his parents, D. N. and Rebecca (Brown) Barber, and on Jan. 21, 1865, he was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Charlotte L. Barber; she was the daughter of A. M. and Hannah A. Barber, and was born March 4, 1844, in Laona, N. Y. Two children have blessed their home ties, Morse M. and Grace A. Mrs. Barber had three brothers in the service, Theodore, killed at Chancellorsville, John, now living in Washington, and Zachus, killed at Gettysburg. Surely her family suffered the full

measure of sorrow and proved the time honored patriotism of the family. Comrade Barber is past Commander of Philander Cook Post, No. 380, of Panama, N. Y.; he is now an industrious and respected citizen of Panama.

ABEL M. BARKER.

Abel M. Barker, a son of John H. and Orilla (Morey) Barker, was born in the heart of the beautiful Adirondack Mts. at Schroon, N. Y. He was engaged in farming near Hebron, N. Y. when the War of the Rebellion broke out. True to his patriotism, he enlisted Aug. 8, 1862 at Hebron, N. Y. in Co. E, 12th, N. Y. V. I., 1st Brig., 1st Div., 12 and 20 A. C. During those years of dark and bloody conflicts, he was always faithful; serving in many heavy engagements; Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Resaca, Carrsville, New Oak Church, Lost Mt., Pine Hill, Kenesaw Mt., Culp's Farm, Chattahoochie River, Peach Tree Creek, Atlanta, Montleith's Swamp, Savannah, Arvboro, Moccasin Swamp and Bentonville. He was confined in the hospital at Harper's Ferry for two months, suffering with fever and again in '64 at Atlanta. Because of his kind, gentle nature, he was detailed assistant nurse in the hospital for some time. After sharing the hardships and much of the glory due his regiment, he was discharged June 25, 1865 at Albany, N. Y. On returning to civil life, he turned his attention to the lumbering business and now he is an expert judge of fine timbers. Ellen Beardsley, a daughter of Galuta and Ruby (Nichols) Beardsley, was born in the town of Carroll, Chautauqua Co., N. Y., April 26, 1840, and became the beloved wife of Abel M. Barker Oct. 25, 1866, in Jamestown, N. Y. To this union four children were born, Marion, Howard, Ethel and Harold. Comrade Barker now lives with his family in Gerry, N. Y.; he is an honor to his community and a trusted citizen.

MERVIN P. BARBER.

Philander M. Barber and his wife, Salome N. (Gage), were living in Susquehanna Co., Pa., when their son, Mervin P., was born Feb. 2, 1825. His early training was excellent fitting him for a useful, manly life. The lady whom he chose as a helpmate on life's hard journey was Amanda C. Stone, a daughter of Lowra and Lucena (Mallory) Stone. The marriage was solemnized July 4, 1847, at Jessup, Pa. Four children were born to this union: William, born in 1849; Arthur, b. March 9, 1852; Charles, dec., b. July 14, 1857, and Stanley, dec., b. July 9, 1855. Mrs. Barber was born Feb. 21, 1826, in Bridgewater, Pa., and after fifty-one years of faithful companionship with

her beloved husband, she passed to her reward Aug. 8, 1898, in Brocton, N. Y. She was an ardent worker in the Baptist church and a beautiful example of true Christian character. Our subject was enrolled Aug. 22, 1862, at Brocton, N. Y., as a private in Co. E, 154th N. Y. V. I., 1st Brig., 2d Div., 11th A. C., and in due time was made Sergt. Comrade Barber was to the front in the following battles: Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Lookout Valley, Missionary Ridge, Rocky Face Ridge, Resaca, Dallas, Pine Mt., Golgotha, Culp's Farm, Peach Tree Creek, March to the Sea, Campaign in the Carolinas, Snow Hill and Bennett House. November, 1862, he was detailed for eight months in Pioneer Corps. Owing to an injury of his right leg, and blindness, caused by the limestone dust, he was confined from Aug. 20, 1864, until Sept. 20, at Atlanta, Ga. When the war was over and his faithful services were no longer needed, he was discharged June 11, 1865, at Bladensburg, Va. He had two brothers in the service, Ira, in 14th Pa. V. I., and Edwin, in 72d N. Y. V. I.; his great-grandfather was a Revolutionary hero. Mrs. Barber's brothers were also in the service, Geo. L. Stone, Capt. of 151st Pa. V. I., Charles, a private of same regiment, and Stanley in 17th Pa. V. C.; her grandfathers Stone and Mallory were in the Revolutionary war. Mr. Barber has long been a resident of Brocton, N. Y. He is a man of excellent character and true worth; although retired from actual work he is still very active and well read on current news; he is a member of James R. Hall Post, No. 292.

DAVID M. BARKER.

David M. Barker, a son of Pellum and Permelia Barker, was born in Harmony township Nov. 6, 1845. On New Year's Day, 1866, Mr. Barker was married in Sherman, N. Y., to Miss Rosetta Trussler, a daughter of John and Harriet (Ray) Trussler. Nine children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Barker, Henry D., Constantine T., Hattie L., Ernest P., Jonathan M., Permelia R., J. Ray, Charles B. and Lulu L. David M. Barker enlisted at Panama, N. Y., on Aug. 10, 1864, in Co. F, 9th N. Y. Vol. Cav., 2d Brig., 1st Div., Cav. C. Faithfully following his command in the fierce struggles at Petersburg, as in all places of danger, he shared in the glory at Appomattox. C. H. Because of severe illness, Comrade Barker was confined in the Baltimore hospital for six months, and after nobly serving his country he was honorably discharged at Winchester June 1, 1865. His humor was the life of his company, and he was called by his comrades "Vegetables" on account of his constant foraging. Mr. and Mrs. Barker share equally in the glorious history of the Stars and Stripes. David Barker having had two brothers, Jonathan and Bolivar, in the service, also Henry and Enoch Trussler, brothers of Mrs. Barker, were

members of the great Northern army. The Nation can ill afford to lose her old heroes and it is with sadness that we record the death of Comrade Barker, which occurred at his home in Grant, N. Y., May 26, 1892. Mrs. Barker's present address is Brokenstraw, N. Y.

WM. H. BARTLETT.

William H. Bartlett was born Jan. 9, 1843, at Cato, Cayuga Co., N. Y. His ancestors were patriotic veterans, his grandfather espoused the cause of the colonists and took part in the Revolutionary war; his father, David Bartlett, served in a Mass. Regt. during the war of 1812. When war's grim visage burst upon our Nation, our subject was engaged in farming near Brant, N. Y. He was among the many thousands of brave men to enlist in defence of our country. He was enrolled Aug. 9, 1862, at Brant, Erie Co., N. Y., in Co. A, 116th N. Y. V. I., 1st Brig., 1st Div., 19th A. C., as a private, and in due time was promoted to Corp. and then to Sergt. Comrade Bartlett participated in many hard fought battles of the war: Plain's Store, May 21, 1863; Assault on Pt. Hudson, La., May 27 and June 14, 1863; Siege of Pt. Hudson, June 23 to July 8, 1863; Cox Plantation, La., July 13, 1863; Exhibition to Sabine Pass, Tex., Sept. 8, 1863; Centerville, Sept. 25, 1863; Vermillion Bayou, Oct. 9, 1863; Campaign through the Teche, La.; Carion Crow Bayou, La., Oct. 11, 1863; Opequan Creek or Winchester, Va., Sept. 19, 1864; Fisher's Hill, Va., Sept. 22, 1864; New Market, Sept. 24 and Oct. 7, 1864; Cedar Creek, Oct. 19, 1864, and Newton, Nov. 12, 1864. March, 1864, we find him home on a furlough until July 7, 1864, at which time he rejoined his command at Chain Bridge, Washington, D. C. Sergt. Bartlett was wounded by a spent ball in the breast and injured in ankle at the battle of Cedar Creek, Oct. 19, 1864, and taken to field hospital for three days. After he had proven himself a true soldier, Comrade Bartlett received his honorable discharge June 11, 1865, at Washington, D. C. Mary E. Jones, the daughter of Samuel and Saphronia (Yaw) Jones, became the beloved wife of William H. Bartlett Dec. 14, 1870, in Buffalo, N. Y. She was born Dec. 24, 1845, in New Hartford, Oneida Co., N. Y. Three children were given to this marriage, Belle J., Cora D. (Barbeau) and Nellie S. Since resuming private life our subject has held many public offices: from 1873 to 1896 was J. P., three years of this time was associate Judge of Chautauqua county, and eight years clerk of the village of Silver Creek. Comrade Bartlett is by occupation a painter and interior decorator; he is one of the most honored citizens of Silver Creek, N. Y.