

includes Fredericksburg, Gettysburg, Sulphur Springs, Warrenton Junction, Aldie and Hopperville. Owing to sickness caused by erysipelas he was confined in hospital at Mt. Pleasant, D. C., where he remained for some time, and on his recovery was made a hospital steward until discharged July 25, 1865, by reason of expiration of his term of service. He was never able to return to his command but served faithfully until the end. Our comrade also was carried to the hospital on a stretcher because of chronic diarrhœa, and has never gotten over it. He was specially detailed to the mustering out office, where he met his old captain, Friend, and they were genial companions. On Christmas day, 1863, our comrade was united in marriage to Malissa Chase, daughter of Nathan and Mary Chase. His second marriage to Eliza Nichols was consummated July 31, 1865. One child Orvi K., has blessed this second marriage. Comrade Matthews is a member of Gowanda Post, and A. O. U. W. He is unable to work more than a third of the time owing to ill health, the effect of his army life. He is now living in Gowanda, N. Y.

THOMAS H. MORRISON.

James and Mary (Rudd) Morrison were living in Damby, Rutland Co., Vt., when a son came to brighten their home on Sept. 7, 1843. He was engaged in blacksmithing in Versailles, N. Y., when the call came for the boys to don the blue. He was enrolled as a private in Co. K, 154th N. Y. V. I., Aug. 22, 1862, at Versailles, N. Y. This command was assigned to 1st Brig., 2d Div., 11th A. C., and after the battle of Gettysburg was transferred to 26th A. C. of the West. Before the end of his valued service Comrade Morrison was promoted to Corp. He bravely met the enemy at Chancellorsville and Culpeper C. H. He was confined in Armory Square hospital for five or six months. He received a ten days' furlough from Washington, at the close of which he rejoined his command at New Baltimore, but was again taken sick and sent to the hospital at Mt. Pleasant. While in the hospital at Washington, when he had sufficiently recovered, he was often detailed on convalescent duty about the camp for three or four months. June 26, 1865, he was granted an honorable discharge. He returned home but the wreck of a once powerful man. March 17, 1871, he was united in marriage to Alice Palmer, daughter of Alonzo Palmer. Glenn P. is the only child to hallow this union. The grandfather of our subject was Thomas Morrison, an Irish patriot who fought at the time Ireland gained her short independence; he made grapple-hooks, a war instrument, but he had to do it secretly, because if he was caught it meant death or imprisonment for life. Our comrade's three brothers all served faithful enlistments. If there had

been more in the family they doubtless would have went. Three of them were residents of New York and one of the state of Ohio. Comrade Morrison is a member of Derby Post of Gowanda, N. Y. Owing to his hard service and advanced years, he is unable to do manual labor. He is now living in the quiet village of Versailles, N. Y.

COL. THOMAS J. PARKER.

August 17, 1813, in Union township, Seneca Co., N. Y., Thomas J. Parker, son of Henry and Charity (Sherman) Parker, was born. His father had been a captain in the war of 1812, and when the war of the Rebellion began our comrade offered his valued services to the nation. He left his chosen occupation as a merchant tailor and went forth in the memory of his father's worthy example to serve. He was accepted into the United States service Dec. 13, 1861, mustered in by Major Lee, attested by Gen. Riggs, as Colonel of the 64th N. Y. V. I. Before the close of his valued services he was promoted as provisional commander, brigade commander at Washington, and served as brigade commander under Gen. Howard, and when Howard was wounded took command of his brigade. The following is taken from historical sketch of Gowanda: "At the battle of Fair Oaks, Gen. O. O. Howard, then in command of a brigade, was severely wounded; at this time Major-Gen. Nelson A. Miles, then a lieutenant, was of his staff. Col. T. J. Parker, of Gowanda, was in command of the 64th regiment, and after Gen. Howard was wounded, was placed in command of Gen. Howard's brigade for a time, and for about one month Gen. Miles was one of the staff officers of Col. Parker." Col. Parker was injured by the concussion from the explosion of shells and from artillery roar at Gaines Mills. He was confined in the hospital at Camp California, near Alexandria, for six weeks, rejoining his regiment on its way to Manassas. In August, 1862, Col. Parker resigned his commission and returned home, being unfit for further service; he left his command at Harrison's Landing. Sept. 2, 1841, at Perrysburg, N. Y., he was united in marriage to Lovina Hooker, daughter of Stephen and Abigail (Gop) Hooker. Six children have crowned the happiness of their home circle, Ellen, born Feb., 1843; Loretta, b. 1845; Clara, b. 1847; Marcus, b. 1849; Henry A., b. 1856, and George, b. June 30, 1863. A brother of Col. Parker served as captain of Co. C, 64th N. Y. V. I., and was killed at Fredericksburg in December, 1863. Col. Parker has ably served the public in the capacity of assessor, justice of the peace for 30 years, clerk in the department and clerk of the state assembly, deputy county clerk five years. Our comrade was the charter commander of Gowanda Post, and has always been prominent in G. A. R. official positions. Although years weigh heavily upon him, and