

was united in marriage to Mary Hill; his second marriage was to Martha Holmes. Com. Mabie is a member of the F. & A. M., Colored Lodge of Buffalo, N. Y. or "Light of the West" lodge in Olean, N. Y., commandry in Troy, N. Y., and the Hiram Relief Association; O. of D. in Henry VanAernam post of Ellicottville. He has for many years been leading barber in the town and is certainly respected by all.

JOHN MARKHAM

Son of David Niles and Betsey (Chamberlain) Markham, was born June 21, 1838, in Great Valley, N. Y. He was a laborer when the Civil War began, left his work and was enrolled as a private, Feb. 1, 1862, at Great Valley, in Co. C, 105th N. Y. V. I. He was in fight at Strausburg. June 11, 1862 he was accidentally shot by a comrade at Catlett's Station; was confined in camp hospital for three weeks, sent to Alexandria for one week, thence to Fairfax Seminary. He was convalescing when one day he was coming down stairs on crutches and fell, severely injuring his left Achilles tendon; he came home the latter part of Aug., 1862 and was laid up with this for more than two years. He was discharged Aug. 5, 1862, at Fairfax Seminary. Christmas Eve, 1867, he was united in marriage at Humphrey, N. Y., to Phoebe C. Chase, daughter of David and Elizabeth Ryder Chase. To them were born three children, H. Frank, Jennie Grace (Serman) and Isaac P. Mrs. Markham died Dec. 18, 1892, of cancer, at Great Valley. Isaac P. Markham, his brother, was in 105th N. Y. V. I., and Harrison of 12th Ia. V. I., was wounded and taken prisoner. Com. Markham was constable for 20 years, J. of P. for 10 years, and is now U. S. Pension Attorney and very successful in his practice; he was a member of the K. O. T. M., Jr. O. of A. M., Sons of Temperance, of the U. B. Church, and is now a member in good standing of VanAernam post, 232, of Ellicottville, N. Y.; an honored, respected citizen.

JAMES MOFFIT,

Son of Sylvester and Dorothy Onan Moffit, was born Jan. 30, 1844, in Franklinville, N. Y.; he was living in the town of Great Valley when the summons came for the boys to don the blue; he was enrolled in May, 1861, in Co. A, 65th N. Y. V. I., as a private. Faithfully, with this command he served until July, 1863. In July, 1864 he re-enlisted at Dunkirk, N. Y., in Co. I, 187th N. Y. V. I., 1st Div., 5th A. C. He fought at Hatcher's Run, Southside R. R., Left of Petersburg at Stony Creek, and continual fighting until Lee surrendered. At Stony Creek, Com. Moffit was wounded in side by a spent ball. In Feb., 1865 he was in hospital at City Point for five weeks with typhoid fever, in camp at Winter Quarters near Preble's Farm before Peters-

burg in Div. Hospital. His sickness was severe and greatly impaired his health and memory. The welcome peace had come and he was discharged in Aug., 1865, in Buffalo, N. Y. In Mar., 1866 he was married to Josephine Chapman, daughter of Ichabod Chapman. One son, John, editor of the Ellicottville Post, crowned their marriage. Aaron Moffit, his brother; died of disease while in the 154th N. Y. V. I., and the wife's brothers, William, Townsend, and George Chapman were all in the service. Com. Moffit is a member of the F. & A. M., is the publisher of the Ellicottville Post. He has the respect of all his townsmen.

JOSEPH PUTNAM,

Son of John and Sarah (Learn) Putnam, was born Jan. 5, 1841, in Humphrey, Catt. Co., N. Y. He was united in marriage to Elsie Brown, daughter of William and Aurillia (Chase) Brown, Sept. 20, 1863, in Little Valley; she was born Oct. 19, 1846, in Great Valley. Seven children were given to this union, John, William, Arthur, Fred, Frank, Grace, and infant, dec. After years of faithful companionship the wife and mother passed to her reward July 29, 1891. When the Civil War broke out, Com. Putnam was engaged in farming in the town of Franklinville, N. Y. He knew his duty and he did it; entering the ranks of Co. H, 154th N. Y. V. I., 2d Brig., 2d Div., 20th A. C., Sept. 24, 1864, at Franklinville. In Nov., 1864 he was sick with diarrhea at Chatt. for three weeks, and in spring of 1865 was in hospital on David's Island with measles for four weeks, then sent to Rochester, thence to Albany, and was discharged July 25, 1865. His hard service was on the March to the Sea; he endured privations of the camp and dangers of the field with the courage and determination of a faithful soldier. Once he was out on a forage after sweet potatoes and pork; the rebels fired on them but the boys gave the rebels all they wanted and got away without great loss. Grace Howard became his second wife Nov. 10, 1891, at Ellicottville, N. Y. He is a farmer, an honored member of Henry VanAernam post of Ellicottville, a respected citizen and kind neighbor.

JOSHUA R. PETTIT.

Son of Amos and Rebecca Baker Pettit, was born Dec. 31, 1839, in Tonawanda, N. Y., and on the same day of his marriage, Aug. 12, 1862, enlisted as a private of Co. A, 154th N. Y. V. I., 2d Brig., 2d Div., 11th A. C., and in due time was made sergeant of the ambulance train. His wife, Sabra Simonds, is daughter of Oshion and Laura Kilburn Simonds, and was born June 18, 1841, in Franklinville, N. Y. Three children were given to this union, Guy M., Laura and Juz-