

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-

tin. Com. Pettit shared the glories of his command at Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wauhatchie, Lookout Mt., Mission Ridge, Rocky Face Ridge, Reseca, Dalton, Pumpkinvine Creek, New Hope Church, Peach Tree Creek, before Atlanta, March to the Sea, campaign in the Carolinas, and the Review at Washington. In 1864 he was sick for 6 weeks with typhoid fever and rejoined the regiment at Fairfax-C. H. While in hospital at Fairfax he was granted a 30 days' furlough and returned promptly at end of time. June 11, 1865, at Bladensburg, Md., he was given his honorable discharge. His brother George, see record, and the wife's brother Justin Simonds, of 112th N. Y. V. I., was killed at Ft. Waggoner. Com. Pettit is the leading hardware merchant of Ellicottville, a member of Van Aernam post. He has never applied for a pension.

## BRADFORD ROWLAND,

Son of Asa and Eliza Quackenbush Rowland, was born May 1, 1844, at Great Valley, N. Y. When the gloom of Civil War settled over our land, he was enrolled as a private July 28, 1862, at Ashford, N. Y., in Co. G, 154th N. Y. V. I., 2d Brig., 2d Div., 11th A. C. He bravely met the enemy at Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wauhatchie, Mission Ridge, Lookout Mt., Rocky Face Ridge, Reseca, Pumpkin Vine Creek, All Burnt Hickory, New Hope Church, Peach Tree Creek, before Atlanta, March to the Sea, campaign in the Carolinas, and was one of the worn veterans to swing into line for the Review at Washington. May 2, 1863, at Chancellorsville, he was wounded below right ear by a spent ball, causing a scalp wound; In Oct., 1862 he was in hospital in Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, with typhoid fever and rejoined his regiment in time for the 'stick-in-the-mud' campaign. July 1, 1863 he was captured at Gettysburg, doomed to Libby and to Belle Isle, paroled and rejoined command in Nov., 1863 in Lookout Valley. Comrade Rowland relates this story: "Comrade Esley Groat and myself were going over the mountains with a little mule laden with corn which we intended to have ground at the mill; it was a very tough ascent and we got pretty well discouraged; at last Groat piped up, 'The Book says, they went into Egypt to buy corn, but by G—d we're going to get this ground.'" June 11, 1865, at Bladensburg, he was discharged from his enlistment. The last year of his service was spent at Hdqtrs. of 20th A. C. as painter. He returned home and on May 4, 1866 was united in marriage to Sarah Scott, daughter of Oliver and Durmda Leach Scott; she was born Nov., 1842, in Franklinville, N. Y.; one child hallowed their home, Jennie May, dec., born May 22, 1872, and died Oct. 19, 1892, death resulting from peritonitis. Com. Rowland is a keen business man, a commission merchant. He

He belongs to the F. & A. M., Blue Chapter, Commandry and Shriners, also to H. Van Aernam post of Ellicottville, N. Y., where he lives in a pleasant home, respected by all who know him.

## LORENZO L. RASEY.

Son of Aaron and Anna (Fish) Rasey, was born May 16, 1830, in Ellicottville, N. Y., and was a clothier when war of the States began and he enlisted as a private of Co. E, 5th N. Y. V. C., 3d Brig., 2d Div., Sheridan's Corps. Com. Rasey saw continual fighting at Warrenton Junction, Gettysburg, Rapidan River, Wilderness campaign. June, 1862 he was sick in camp with sunstroke, diarrhea and piles for three months. Just before Banks fell back from the Shenandoah Valley. Com. Rasey took a dispatch from Gen. Hatch to Gen. Sigel, and arrived just in time as Sigel's men were already breaking camp. Being rendered unfit for further service and at close of his long enlistment, he was given his honorable discharge Oct. 18, 1864, near Harper's Ferry, Va. April 6, 1865, at Hamlet, N. Y., he was married to Ellen Warner, daughter of Reuben and Savilla A. (Fish) Warner; she was born Dec. 10, 1840, at Hamlet. Three children have graced the union. Anna E., R. Warrne, and May. Com. Rasey is a member of I. O. O. F., Masons, Episcopal church, and is Asst. Adjt. of Van Aernam post at Ellicottville, N. Y., where he lives in a pleasant home, being by occupation a painter. Also a member of A. O. U. W. and Templars.

## EBENEZER C. SHERMAN.

Son of Charles and Mary Whitney Sherman was born Nov. 3, 1845, in E. Ashford, N. Y., and was engaged in farming when he was enrolled as a private of Co. D, 154th N. Y. V. I., 2d Brig., 2d Div., 20th A. C., Sept. 9, 1864, at E. Ashford. He fought at Savannah, campaign in the Carolinas, Snow Hill and Bentonville, and was with Sherman to the Sea. He was on a detail to get wagons through the S. C. swamps, working in the water five days without sleep; he took a severe cold in his head, catarrh and deafness resulting. While before Atlanta, he was sent back to the hospital but was with his regiment in three days; he was nearly captured once while foraging for sweet potatoes, the rebel cavalry swooped down upon them, but our boys got away with their plunder. The latter part of his service was spent in the wagon train, receiving his honorable discharge June 11, 1865, at Bladensburg; he returned home and Oct. 11, 1866, was married at E. Ashford, N. Y., to Marion Headley, daughter of Oscar and Elvira (Davenport) Headley; she was born May 3, 1847, at E. Ashford; two children have graced their home, Fred and Helen (Myers). Charles W. Sherman, a brother, was in 116th N. Y. V. I., wounded in arm at Port Hudson