

5th N. Y. V. I., known as Duryea's Zouaves. June 10, 1861, he was commissioned first Corp., June 26, 1863, commissioned Major of 32d U. S. C. T., and May 7, 1864, was promoted and commissioned Lieut. Col., and was assigned to duty with the Army of the Cumberland. At Big Bethel he received a gunshot wound Nov. 28, 1863. While en route to join his command in company with the other officers, they were attacked by guerillas between Chickamauga and Chattanooga, where he received a gunshot wound in thigh, but saw four guerrillas laid out and the band severely repulsed. He was then taken to field hospital between Chattanooga and Knoxville, where he remained a few weeks. One furlough of thirty days was all he asked for during his service and one detail of forty days when assigned to duty with the U. S. corps of engineers, and at expiration returned to his regiment. Among his battles he recalls Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Antietam, Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Mine, 2d Bull Run, Gaines Mills, South Mt., Chickamauga, Big Bethel, Gettysburg, Malvern Hill, battles near Richmond up to Five Forks, and until Gen. Warren was relieved by Gen. Sheridan. His first impression while under fire was like a stream of cold water at the base of the brain running down his back, which gave place to anger as his comrades fell on either side, revenge was sweet and he took it. Including several national medals the Colonel has twenty-six. He has been for several years a delegate to the national encampment of the G. A. R., and for the first five years has been a member of the national staff. He holds in grateful remembrance the Soeration Society of New York College, which from the date of his enlistment to its close considered him its special representative, and equipped and furnished him with all needed assistance during his service, claiming only when the war had closed his military accoutrements should be deposited with the society as memorials. And they are now in the keeping of the Dykeman Library Association of New York City. Comrade Schermerhorn was mustered out of the U. S. service at Washington, D. C., Sept. 22, 1866. Colonel Schermerhorn is of Fnick-erbocker ancestry; his father died when our subject was two years and upon the settlement of the estate the widowed mother moved to New York City, where the children were placed in school. He was in the third year of his course when he left to enter the army. His grandfather, John Schermerhorn, was with Washington at Valley Forge, and his father was at Lundy's Lane. Capt. Benj. Calhoun was with Gen. Herkimer. Captain J. K. Schermerhorn was a member of the 5th Ga., and his brothers, James U., Charles and Addison, were members of the 121st and 80th N. Y. V. I. In June, 1868, our comrade married Margaret A. Hallett, of Canisteo N. Y. Soon after they removed to Jackson, Mich., where they remained until 1886, during which time he had been elected to the public offices of alderman,

mayor, and finally as member of the legislature. In 1886 he returned to his native state and located at Olean, where he has since resided. He is an architect and builder, and is an ardent member of the M. E. church, also the Masonic order, and still keeps in touch with the "boys" by being a member of Bayard Post, No. 22, of Olean, N. Y.

## ADDISON SHAFER,

A son of Adam and Susan (Metzgar) Shafer, was born Aug. 20, 1842, in Ischua, N. Y., and was engaged in farming when the President called for volunteers, he felt his duty to his country and enlisted as a private July 26, 1862, at Olean, N. Y., in Co. C, 154th N. Y. V. I., 1st Brig., 2d Div., 11th A. C. He met the enemy at Chancellorsville and Gettysburg, where July 1, 1863, he was wounded in the right forearm by a gunshot, and was confined in West Saterlee hospital, Philadelphia, for one year and ten months. He was captured at the time of his wounding and was held by Jubal Early's men four days, but was retaken by the Union troops. In the fall of 1863 he was granted a furlough, and on account of disability was never asked to return to his command, receiving his honorable discharge May 17, 1865, at Philadelphia. April 17, 1874, at Ischua, N. Y., occurred a memorable wedding ceremony when Comrade Shafer was united in marriage to Helen M. Farewell, daughter of Abram and Sarah (Wright) Farewell. Mrs. Shafer was born July 15, 1846, in Ischua, N. Y. One child has crowned their home ties, Abram F., born Oct. 15, 1879. Comrade Shafer's two brothers were in the service, Jerome died on Bell Island, and Jacob lives in Olean. Comrade Shafer is a member of the G. A. R. Post at Portville, the Farmer's Grange of Olean, and first Baptist church. He is a farmer by occupation and lives near Olean, N. Y.

## HENRY SHOWALTER

Was born on a farm near Gettysburg, Pa., Aug. 23, 1830. David and Catherine Showalter, his parents, were German farmers, whose nationality and occupation are synonymous with honest industry and Christian living. Within a few miles of the battlefield and cemetery, Comrade Showalter grew to manhood, and on his 20th birthday was married to Miss Cecelia Robinson. Oct. 13, 1862, he enlisted in Co. G, 165th Pa. V. I., at Gettysburg, Pa. His comrades discovered his talents, and knowing that it would be to their good to let him exercise them, they chose him cook, requiring him to do all the cooking, thus