

born Sept. 18, 1836, in Mansfield, N. Y. Five children were given to this union: Ella E. (Phillips), Laura E. (Wyman), Vertie M., Estie I., and Niel E. When the call came for volunteers, he was farming near St. Cloud, Minn.; he left the farm and was enrolled as private of Co. E, 1st Minn. V. I., 2d Brig., 2d Div., 2d A. C.; he was promoted to musician, drummer and fifer. While at Harrison's Landing he was injured by falling while in bathing, receiving internal injuries. He met the enemy in battles of 1st Bull Run, Ball's Bluff, Yorktown, Fair Oaks, Peach Orchard Station, Savage Sta., White Oak Swamp, Glendale, Malvern Hill, South Mt., Antietam, Sharpsburg, Charleston, Ashby's Gap, Fredericksburg, 1st and 2d sieges, Haymarket, Bristoe Sta., Flint Hill, and Gettysburg. He was in the famous warehouse at Fredericksburg about 20 minutes before it fell. When welcomed peace had come, our comrade was given his well earned discharge on May 30, 1864, at Ft. Snelling. The wife's brother, Heman H., 37th N. Y. V. I., died in the service at Bottom's Bridge. Com. Ford is a member of Henry Van Aernam post, Ellicottville, and is now living on a pleasant farm near Maple P. O., N. Y., a respected citizen.

OSLEY GROAT.

Son of Jasper and Maria Mabie Groat, was born Oct. 28, 1838, in an old log house in Ashford, N. Y. He was engaged in farming when he enlisted as a private of Co. G, 154th N. Y. V. I., 2d Brig., 2d Div., 11th A. C., and in due time was made corporal. He fought at Chancellorsville, Wauhatchie, Mission Ridge and all the battles of his heroic command. May 3, 1863 he was wounded at Chancellorsville by the flying timbers of the breastworks, struck by a shell; was sent to Acqua Creek Hospital, then to Washington, Carver hospital, 6 weeks; was furloughed in July for 30 days, returned to the hospital. In April, 1865 he was in the hospital at Newburn, N. C. on account of rheumatism, for one week, and joined command at Raleigh, receiving his discharge June 11, 1865, at Bladensburg, Md. He mentions one of his details: "It was just before we crossed the Rappahanock, April, '63; 20 of us were sent up the river four miles to Bushbeck's H. Q. in the cemetery; we found an old yoke of oxen drawing a cart, and on it was a dead negro baby and a dead cow." Feb. 22, 1866, at Ashford, N. Y., he was married to Elanore Hopkins, daughter of Cyrus and Minerva Blanchard Hopkins. Eight children were given to them: Minard L., Frederick W., May, Minnie, Maude E., Eugene E., Seth L. and Gracie M. His brothers, see records. W. Alonzo Hopkins, the wife's brother, was in 37th N. Y. V. I., see record. Com. Groat is a gardener by occupation, a member of Henry Van Aernam Post, and a respected citizen of Ellicottville, N. Y.

HIRAM HULL.

Son of Heman and Unice Hull of Whitehall, N. Y., who lived to be 92 years of age, was born Feb. 10, 1837, at Loomis Corners, N. Y. At the outbreak of the Civil war, he enlisted in the ranks of Co. I, 37th N. Y. V. I., Sept. 29, 1861, at Ellicottville, N. Y. This regiment was assigned to the 1st Brig., 1st Div., 3d A. C. Com. Hull joined it at Ft. Washington. He fought with the regiment at Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, and Chancellorsville, where, May 1, 1863, he was struck by a spent ball on the heel but not seriously injured. After Fair Oaks, he was in hospital at Yorktown, sent to Portsmouth Grove, R. I., and returned, Aug., 1862, to do guard duty on Alexandria Heights, near Washington; cause of sickness was fever and diarrhea, being in hospital three months in all. He was honorably discharged June 22, 1863, and re-enlisted Mar. 3, 1864, in Co. D, 179th N. Y. V. I. as corporal. He was with the command at Yorktown, Pegram's Farm, siege of Petersburg, Ft. Hell. He carried the colors for over a year, April 2 or 3, 1864, before Petersburg, he distinguished himself. It was an order from Sheridan to advance and take the rebel picket line or drive them back at a given signal. Brig. Gen. Griffin commanded the picket and after they had driven the rebels back, they marched to Ft. Stedman, charged the rebel works, repulsed, and charged again. The color sergeant was shot down, and Hull took up the colors and carried them through rest of the fight. After this battle was promoted to color sergeant and at end of war breveted 2d Lieut. He was discharged June 22, 1865, at Elmira, N. Y., and with a noble record. Christmas Day, 1863, he was happily united in marriage to Emaline J. Johnston, child of Henry and Jane Johnston. Three children hallowed their home, infant, dec., Harry J., and Blanche J. He is a consistent member of the Presbyterian church, and of Henry Van Aernam post. He lives in a quiet home in Ellicottville, N. Y. With pleasure he speaks of the days of '61 when, in the beauty and strength of his young manhood, he went forth to fight the battles of the nation.

CHARLES INGALLS.

Son of James and Mary (Kellicut) Ingalls, was born May 25, 1843, in New Albion, N. Y. He was a farmer when the war of the Rebellion began, left the farm and was enrolled as a private, Mar. 31, 1864, at Dunkirk, N. Y., in Co. D, 179th N. Y. V. I., 2d Brig., 2d Div., 9th A. C. He fought with this heroic command at Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Yellow House, Weldon R. R., Hatcher's Run and 2d Petersburg. June 17, 1864 he was injured by the bursting of a shell, which broke his ear drum by the concussion, and he lay unconscious for a long time. He was in the Saterlee hospital for five months suffering with blind-