

## Henry C. Loomis

BORN AT OTTO, NEW YORK, MARCH 16, 1834.  
DIED AT WINFIELD, KANSAS, OCTOBER 14, 1905.

Henry C. Loomis entered the Army as Lieutenant of Company C, 64th Regiment New York Infantry Volunteers, November 23, 1861. He was wounded in the battle of Fair Oaks, Virginia, June 1, 1862, being disabled for duty until September 23, 1862. He again entered the service as Lieutenant Colonel of the 154th New York Infantry Volunteers, November 3, 1862. He remained in service until after the battle of Chancellorsville, resigning May 30, 1863.

He removed to Kansas and settled in Cowley County on a homestead, which is now a part of the little City of Winfield. He was the first clerk of the county, and has held various county and city positions. In 1898 he was elected Mayor of Winfield, and during his residence in Kansas he has been prominent in everything that related to the up-building of the State.

In the organization of the Kansas Militia, he was Captain of Company C of the 2d Regiment. He assisted in organizing Siverd Post No. 85, of the Grand Army of the Republic, and served as its Commander. On May 21, 1902, at Fort Scott, Kansas, he was chosen Department Commander of the Department of Kansas, and served his full term. He was prominent in Masonic circles, being made a 33d degree Mason in March, 1880.

As is the custom of the Scottish Rite Masons, a funeral was held at midnight, and was conducted by prominent Masons. Another service was held the following day, which was conducted by Rev. T. W. Jeffrey, of Carthage, Missouri, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of that city, who was formerly pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Winfield, Kansas, and an old time friend of Colonel Loomis.

If he had a relative on earth at the time of his death, it was unknown to his friends in Kansas. What property he had accumulated was left largely to two of his Masonic friends residing in Wichita, Kansas.

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