

H. He lives on a beautiful farm near Randolph, and is one of the esteemed citizens of Conewango, N. Y. Her cousin, Edwin Burgess, died in Andersonville prison during the war.

FLORENTINE C. MIGHELLS

Is a son of Florentine and Sophronia (Dopkins) Mighells, and was born Jan. 1, 1843 in Ellery, Chaut. Co., N. Y. He removed with his parents into this county in 1846, and was helping his father on the farm and in the lumber business on the outbreak of the Rebellion. He left the quiet home and the loved scenes of his early manhood and enlisted Aug. 17, 1861 at Randolph, N. Y., when only 18 years of age, in Co. B, 64th N. Y. V. I., 3d Brig., 2d Div., 2d A. C., as a private. We write proudly the names of his battles:— Fair Oaks, again near Fair Oaks, Yorktown, Williamsburg, and was present during Seven Days' Retreat, 2d Bull Run, Antietam and South Mt. After the Seven Days' Retreat he was sunstroked and was nearly dead when he was found by an officer. He gave Comrade Mighells some brandy and he was strengthened enough to get back into the lines for help. At the battle of Antietam he was wounded in right ankle by a gunshot, and was in the barn hospital, then designated as the field hospital, for three weeks; was sent to Frederick City, Md., where he remained till Feb., 1863. His physical condition had been almost wrecked and he was given his discharge April, 1863 at Baltimore, Md. He relates his experience before the sunstroke:—"I had been in the hospital for 3 days suffering with malaria fever and was still weak and scarcely able to walk, but I wanted to go with the boys and march with them into Richmond, for I had followed them thus far and now all supposed we had nothing to do but go and take the Confederate Capitol. The march was too much for me and I had to fall down. In this weakened condition I was an easy victim to the burning sun, and I do not remember any more until I was aroused by the officer to give me the brandy." Nov. 15, 1865 he was united in marriage at Conewango, N. Y. to Rhoda, daughter of Lora and Betsey (Bush) Waters. She was born Nov. 12, 1847 in Oneida Co., N. Y. Comrade Mighells has been honored by the office of School Trustee and Path-master. He is an active member of the D. T. Wiggins Post of Randolph. He is a farmer, and one of the kindest, truest of men.

NORTON W. MILLER,

A son of William K. and Margaret (Norton) Miller, was born June 11, 1842 at Lockport, Ind. on the Wabash River, and came into this county in 1848. He had just completed the carpenter trade and was working on a farm when the war began. Feeling it his duty to his

country he enlisted Sept. 28, 1861 in Co. E, 9th N. Y. V. Cav., as a private. This command was assigned to the 2d Brig., 1st Div., of the famous Sheridan Corps. He was to the front in the following battles:— Sperrysville, Cedar Mt., Yorktown, Williamsburg, Centerville, Freeman's Ford, Sulphur Springs, Deep Bottom, White House Landing, Salem, 2d Bull Run, Chantilly, Chancellorsville, Fairfax C. H., Aldie. While going from Fairfax C. H. to Aldie, he was captured by Mosby's cavalry but in three hours was retaken by the 8th Ill. V. Cav. "There was a milk-man who peddled about our camp, and I at once recognized him among our captors: "It's tough, Nort, but we must double quick you to Richmond," he said. After we were retaken, I grabbed him and said, "Now, who is going to double quick it?" In Spring of 1863 he was detailed in the wagon-train and was with it until discharged Nov. 27, 1864 at Middletown, Va. In winter of 1861-2 he was confined in the hospital at Washington for a few days with the measles but was never wounded or furloughed during his service. He left the army with a noble record. March 17, 1869 he was united in marriage to Lourette Stewart, daughter of Lemuel and Irene (McCullough) Stewart, in the town of Coldspring, N. Y. One son, Stewart, born Nov. 9, 1870, has hallowed their home. Mrs. Miller was born May 8, 1847 in Coldspring, N. Y. His grandfather Waterbury in War of 1812 and uncle, Orville Miller, was a surgeon for two years in Mexican War. Comrade Miller is a member of the I. O. O. F., Noble Grange, and A. A. Hall Post, 666. He is spending the last years of his useful life on a large farm near Randolph, N. Y.

SAMUEL A. MONROE.

In the town of Mansfield, Oct., 1841, a son brought sunshine into the home of John and Mary A. (Myers) Monroe. Years rolled on, the boy grew to manhood, and when "Honest Abe" issued his call for troops, Samuel A. Monroe was one of the many thousand brave men to respond. He was enrolled Aug. 4, 1862 at Jamestown in Co. A., 15th N. Y. V. I., 2d Brig., 2d Div., 11th A. C. He was present at these battles:— Gettysburg, Chattanooga, Missionary Ridge, Lookout Valley, Orchard Knob, Rocky Faced Ridge, Dalton, Resaca, Burnt Hickory, Kenesaw Mt., to Knoxville, Peach Tree Creek, New Hope Church, before Atlanta, to Nashville. In Nov., 1862 while at Brook Sta., a rash came out on the left arm caused by exposure during Fredericksburg campaign, resulting in the disablement of the arm. The disease settled in the left shoulder, and the attending surgeon pronounced it blood contraction of the shoulder joint. He was in hospital at Nashville, from thence to Jeffersonville, Ind., where he remained until March, given a furlough, and at last received his discharge June 17, 1865 at Elmira, N. Y. He relates this story: "While out on a forage we went into a

house, asked for something to eat and at once were assured that there was nothing to be gotten. Some corn husks were hanging over the stove, and we took our bayonets and prodded in them, and discovered long pieces of bologna.' Jan. 15, 1866 at Franklinville, N. Y., Clarida Lowe, daughter of Teneyck and Abigail Buchanan Lowe became the loving helpmate of our comrade, Monroe. She was born March 30, 1845 at Franklinville, N. Y. Four children gladdened this home: Gracie, b. May 6, 1868, Fred, b. July 4, 1870, Mable, b. Oct. 6, 1871, and Maud, b. April 7, 1878. Henry Monroe, his brother, in 5th N. Y. Cav. was shot through the body over the right hip, the ball passing out on the further side of the back bone. Judson Lowe, the wife's brother, was in Co. B, 9th N. Y. V. Cav. Comrade Monroe is a faithful member of A. A. Hall Post, 666, and lives on a pleasant farm near E. Randolph, N. Y.

MORDIN OLDER.

Wallace and his good wife Julia (Mullican) Older were living at Farmersville, N. Y. when a son was born to them, Mordin, Mar. 10, 1842. His early training was one that fitted him for a useful, noble life. When the grim war burst upon our nation, he left the peaceful farm to shoulder the musket in defence of a glorious cause. He enlisted Aug. 2, 1862 at Bloomfield, Ont. Co., N. Y. as a private in Co. A, 126th N. Y. V. I. Sept. 26, 1862 at Harper's Ferry, he was captured, held a prisoner for a few days and sent to parole camp, Alexandria, Va., where he remained about three months. On his return to his command he was detailed at Gen. Hancock's H. Q. as a guard for about one year, and on the successson of Gen. Franklin, remained there in active service. He was often detailed on special guard duty at Bailey's Cross Roads. His whole history is one of faithful service. On his discharge June 3, 1865 at Alexandria, Va. he once more resumed his farm life, and later became a railroad man. April 21, 1873 at Hinsdale, N. Y., he was married to Maria L. Hackett, daughter of Stephen K. and Mary (Williams) Hackett. She was born Mar. 29, 1848 at Ischua, N. Y. One son, Will. H., born May 22, 1874 at Emporium, Pa., crowned the happiness of this union. He is a bright, promising young man, and has chosen the printer's trade for his life's work; he was married April 21, 1897 to Iva M. Hull, and they have a son, Gordon William, born Jan. 21, 1899. The ancestry of Comrade Older were from the pure old English stock. Grandfather Older was seized by a press-gang and forced to serve in the British navy; his ship touched on the Massachusetts coast, seven men and some officers went ashore and the men escaped, among them the youthful Older. He remained in America, and all the Olders can trace their origin to him. Mrs. Older's grandfather, Major Hackett, was a hero of the War of 1812; her

two brothers, David L. and George S. Hackett, were also in the Civil War. It is with sadness we record the death of our comrade; he was killed July 6, 1877 at Renova, Pa. by being caught between the cars. Mrs. Older is an estimable lady; she lives with her son in a cosy home at Scott's Corner's, N. Y. P. O. address, Hinsdale, N. Y.

WILLIAM W. OSGOOD.

Benjamin H. Osgood and Chloe Densmore were the parents of our subject, who was born Feb. 16, 1833 at Ischua, N. Y. On the autumn day Oct. 4, 1857 at Ischua, N. Y. he was united in marriage to Henrietta Webster. She is a daughter of Gifford and Marinda (Quinby) Webster, and was born Dec. 26, 1838 at Hinsdale, N. Y. Three children now rise up to call their union "Blessed": Clayton, b. Mar. 30, 1860, Charles W., b. Mar. 22, 1863, Jennie V. b. Dec. 31, 1870. In all the nobleness of his young life, William W. Osgood went forth to defend his beloved country, enlisting Aug. 6, 1862 at Ischua in Co. C, 15th N. Y. V., 3d Brig., 2d Div., 11th A. C. After the battle of Chancellorsville, in which he bore active part, he was taken sick at Camp John Manley with cold; later developed into typhoid fever; sent to Washington, and in two weeks taken to Camp Distribution near Alexandria for one year. He intended to leave the hospital before this, but when convalescing he took cold and a relapse followed; on his recovery he acted as orderly until April 10, 1864, when he started for the regiment at Nashville; on his arrival he was immediately detailed with 50 men to guard one thousand head of cattle for the army at Chattanooga. The march was made in 14 days. While at Chattanooga, he was on provost guard duty for five months, rejoining his regiment before Atlanta, participating in the campaign in the Carolinas; receiving his discharge June 11, 1865 at Washington, D. C. Edwin Webster, the wife's brother, was in 13th N. Y. H. A., and died of home-sickness on the Peninsula in 1861. Both husband and wife are members of the M. E. Church. Comrade Osgood is a valued member of the Fair Oaks Post, 616, holding office of Chaplin, O. of D., J. V. C. and S. V. C. He is now living in the quiet village of Ischua, N. Y.

STEPHEN OSGOOD.

Benjamin H. Osgood, now a man of 90 years, and his good wife Chloe Densmore were living in Franklinville, N. Y. when a son, Stephen, was born to them, Feb. 6, 1835. Believing in the divine decree, "Thou shalt eat bread in the sweat of thy brow," he early chose the life of a farmer. April 5, 1858 he took as his helpmate on life's journey Phoebe L. Thornton, daughter of Alonzo and Betsey E. (Stewart) Thornton. She was born Jan. 12, 1841 at Machias, N. Y. Four children have