

for Vicksburg. There they took part in the siege and battles until their regiment and the Nineteenth Iowa were placed in charge of the prisoners. When the captives were paroled the Union soldiers were sent down the river to take part in the attack on Port Hudson.

Following this came the contest at Lake Providence, the removal to New Orleans and the expedition up the Red River under Gen. Banks. The Twentieth took part in the flank movement, landing at Brazos Santiago, and marching to Brownsville, where they rebuilt the forts. The expedition proving disastrous, they returned to the river and participated in battles at Fts. Morgan and Spanish and after the taking of Mobile went to Galveston, Tex. There our subject was mustered out of service and being sent to Madison, Wis., received his discharge in September, 1865, being not yet twenty-one years of age. He was one of the fortunate number who escaped wounds during the many months in which he was exposed to danger and death.

Returning to Jefferson County, Wis., Mr. Perkins took the money that he had saved while in the army and entering the preparatory department of Milton College, pursued the studies of a scientific course two years. His health failing, he was advised to abandon close mental work and he engaged in teaching in Jefferson and Waukesha Counties. He carried on pedagogical work in Delafield seven and a half years, and in Palmyra five years, holding the position of Principal. During the last five years he studied medicine, his preceptors being Drs. Peardon & Sherman. Anatomy had been his hobby for years, and during all his army life he had carried a text book on physiology and anatomy with him.

In 1881 our subject entered the Medical Department of Butler University, at Indianapolis, Ind., and having taken two courses of lectures was graduated in the spring of 1883, with a standing of ninety-five and a half per cent., the third highest in the class. He selected Monica, Ill., as a field of labor and has all that he desires to do, his practice extending over a radius of thirty-five or forty miles. He reached Monica with a capital of professional knowledge and fifty cents in money, together with his natural abilities. He now owns two

farms, one in Bureau County and one in Princeville Township, this county, the whole comprising one hundred and sixty acres. He also has some fine horses.

Dr. Perkins was fortunate in winning for his companion a lady of refinement and most estimable character, this being Miss Mary J. Lowerre, a native of Milwaukee, Wis. Her father, Robert S. Lowerre, has been engaged in mercantile pursuits in Delafield, Wis., for years and there the marriage was celebrated July 24, 1867. Doctor and Mrs. Perkins have two sons, the younger of whom, Edward A., is at home. The elder, Robert S., is attending the Chicago College of Dental Surgery, from which he expects to be graduated in 1891.

While in Indiana Dr. Perkins was President of the Sydenham Medical Society. He united with the Masonic lodge at Palmyra, Wis., when twenty-one years old, and later was identified with Lodge No. 33, R. A. M., in Juneau County, and a lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Delafield. He is a member of the Democratic party. His manners are affable and agreeable, his conversational powers excellent and his character honorable and upright.

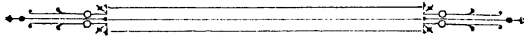


**B**ENJAMIN WARREN, JR. The enterprise exhibited by this gentleman in the conduct of his business affairs has been such as to entitle him to the respect of other dealers and give him a prominent place in the commercial circles of Peoria. He was born in LaHarpe, Hancock County, July 22, 1852, passed his boyhood days in his native place, and after obtaining a good practical education, embarked in the grain business when twenty years old. Four years later, in 1876, he came to Peoria, continuing the business in which he had previously been engaged and in which he has become an adept. He is connected with the Board of Trade, of which he was President in 1885.

Mr. Warren is President of the Americus Club, and a highly-respected member of the Knights of Pythias. He has been a Director of the Peoria Im-

provement Association since its organization was effected, and is now President of that body. He has never been an aspirant for political honors, but is a "wheel horse" in helping friends who do desire political preferment. He no doubt inherits much of his tact in trade, as his father has been engaged in general merchandising for years. He located in LaHarpe about 1845, coming thence from his native State of Maine. In the Illinois town he met, wooed and married Miss Portia A. Nutt, an Ohio lady of estimable character. To his worthy parents our subject owes much for their counsel and watchful guidance during his early years.

An important step in the life of our subject was consummated February 12, 1879, it being no less than his marriage to Miss Bertha, daughter of A. H. and Catherine (Baker) Day, her father formerly a merchant of Joliet, but both now deceased. Mrs. Warren is a well-bred and well-educated lady, who surrounds her husband and children with the joys of a happy home life, and hospitably entertains the friends who gather beneath her roof. Mr. and Mrs. Warren have three children—Ella, Charles D. and Frank M.



**M**ICAJAH C. MACY. Manly courage and energy are exemplified in the career of this gentleman, whose days are given to industrious and well-directed labors on a farm in Elmwood Township. The estate consists of one hundred and sixty acres on section 1, in one body, forty acres of timber, and the balance improved and devoted to mixed farming. A visitor will find thereon an attractive residence, commodious barns and other needful structures, together with all which goes to make up a well-regulated farm property. The dwelling was erected in 1886, and the new barn in 1887, at a joint cost of \$2,800. A view of his elegant residence will be found elsewhere in this work.

Mr. Macy was born in Indiana, October 14, 1840, and came to Illinois in 1853. His parents, Thomas and Sarah (Petty) Macy, were natives of North Carolina and resided in that State until

1828 when they took up their abode in Indiana. Upon coming to Illinois some years later they settled in Fulton County, but in 1856, removed to Elmwood Township, Peoria County. The father, who was a shoemaker and farmer, lived until 1874, but his wife died in 1863. They had eight children, five of whom are now living.

The subject of this brief review received a common-school education only, having his own way to make from his fifteenth year. At that time he took charge of the family, continuing at its head until he was twenty-six years old. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company I, Seventy-seventh Illinois Infantry, and after serving five months was discharged on account of illness. He then returned to the farm, to the cultivation of which he has devoted himself with unflagging perseverance. This is the more creditable as in 1864, he lost the thumb on his right hand while oiling a threshing machine and in 1874, he was crippled by the loss of his left hand in almost the same manner. While oiling a threshing machine which was in motion his left hand was caught in the gearing and so badly mashed that it was necessary to amputate it above the wrist. Since that time Mr. Macy has used a hook in place of the missing member.

The efficient companion of Mr. Macy, who has shared in his joys and sorrows since February 28, 1867, was formerly Miss Rachel Runyon. Her parents, James C. and Nancy (Smith) Runyon, natives of the Buckeye State, came to Illinois in 1848, settling in Adams County. There Mrs. Macy, who is the eldest of five children, four now living, was born December 14, 1848. The following year her parents removed to Brimfield Township, Peoria County, where she acquired a common-school education, together with much useful knowledge not included in the curriculum of the schools. Her mother died in 1884, but her father survives at the age of sixty-four years.

Mr. and Mrs. Macy are the parents of five children, three now living and named respectively, Mattie I., Harry A. and Clyde C. They form an intelligent and interesting group, all having attended the common school and having been carefully reared by their good parents. Miss Mattie is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and