

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Toll, Charles Halbert Senator _____
Represented Clinton County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 18 Apr 1817 Van Buren, Oneida County, New York

2. Marriage (s) date place

Elizabeth Harriet Lusk 1 Oct 1840 probably Lysander, New York

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He assisted in supervising the building of the railroad from the
Mississippi River to Council Bluffs.

B. Civic responsibilities G.A.R.; I.O.O.F.

C. Profession Postmaster at Clinton, Iowa; manufacturer

4. Church membership Baptist

5. Sessions served 6th General Assembly 1856

6. Public Offices

A. Local Elected mayor of Lysander, Iowa in 1875; Clinton County Sheriff 1862 for 2 years

B. State Assistant treasurer of the Iowa Land Company in 1869

C. National _____

7. Death 11 Aug 1887 Los Angeles, California; buried Angeles Asadero Cemetery, Los Angeles, California

8. Children Mary Louise; Arch E.; Charles, Jr.; Mary L.; Spencer D.

9. Names of parents Charles Hanson and Sarah (Hyde) Toll

Joll, Charles Halbert

10. Education Educated in the public schools of his
neighborhood of West Seneca, New York
He studied one year with Dr. Andrew Yates.

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Republican

- At age 18 he left home and went to work as a clerk in a
grocery store in Syracuse, New York. He later worked at a
more desirable establishment in the same vicinity.
- In 1837 he formed a partnership with another person and
established himself in the mercantile business. This did not
last and dissolved after 3 years.
- He met with many setbacks in business over the years.
- He decided to go west, arriving in Chicago in 1853 and after working as
a bookkeeper he decided to move to Lyons, Iowa in 1854 working
to assist in superintending the building of a railroad from the
Mississippi River to the Missouri River at Council Bluffs.
- He moved to Clinton, Iowa and was appointed superintendent of the ferry
boat owned by the Iowa Land Company.
- Military service - Civil War - 1862 appointed United States Commissary
for the Union Army until Jan 1866.
- He built buildings in Clinton which turned into unprofitable businesses
and fire.
- There were some defaults in the Clinton postoffice and he was in 1875, made
postmaster.

Benson, a carpenter living in
 ty was arrested Wednesday on a
 nt sworn out by County Clerk
 i charging him with bigamy. Mr.
 n came here from Nebraska some
 ago with a woman who claimed to
 wife, and who died not long

Upon information from one
 g herself Mrs. Adelia Benson, of
 en, N. J., inquiring as to his
 abouts a warrant was issued.
 as taken before Justice Wolden-
 for examination and placed under
 of \$600 for appearance which
 ing able to furnish he was im-
 tely taken to jail.

siderable surprise was occasioned
 city Tuesday evening by the
 s by the Sheriff of the two
 and shoe stores of G.
 Greenhill, one located at No. 203
 avenue and the other at 924
 h street. It was generally sup-
 that Mr. G. was among the
 business men of Clinton. We
 heard no particulars but hope
 the embarrassment is only tem-
 y and Mr. Greenhill will be able
 ume his business.

residence of Rev. J. A. Ward
 ntered by burglars one night last
 , presumably to obtain the funds
 ed from the Sunday School ex-
 m. The proceeds however were
 Mr. Ward's possession and if they
 een in all probability the afore-
 r gular would not have obtained
 . Mr. Ward is not a pugilist, but
 lea of awakening a man from his
 ful slumbers at such an untimely
 roused the irate passions of the
 ent divine and he immediately

Gone.

The melancholy news of the death
 of Major C. H. Toll, received in this
 city yesterday, shocked everybody. We
 have only time to say that a good man
 has gone to his long home. Only yes-
 terday we received a long letter from
 the Major in which he related a strange
 dream that he had recently had. His
 letter was full of sympathy for the
 sufferers by the recent fire in this city.
 It seemed as though he could not say
 too much about the loss his old neigh-
 bors and friends had met with. We
 hear no particulars of his death, but
 as his physicians here thought his de-
 mise was near at hand even when he
 left this city, we presume the throat
 and lung difficulty which troubled him
 was the cause of his death. We shall
 have more to say when we learn more
 details of his sudden taking off.

Wholesale and Retail.

Genuine Mason Fruit Jars at Pool's
 crockery store.

No Alcohol.

Pure Hungarian blackberry juice, at
 Comstock & Smith's, 922 Fourth street.

Another Pioneer Gone.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Roberts, one of the
 oldest pioneers of Clinton County,
 passed away at the home of her son-in-
 law Mr. James Ramsey, at No. 511
 Fourth avenue on Tuesday morning.
 Mrs. Roberts had been a resident of
 Clinton forty years, coming here when
 the present site was a cornfield.
 For several years she resided with her
 husband in a small house on the bluff
 west of the city. The funeral occurred
 Wednesday afternoon from the M. E.

Miss Fanny Davenport did not realize how it would sound when she wrote, detailing her vacation life during the heated term: "My hair combed back from my brow, a large straw hat, a colored apron—this completes my costume."

It was probably one of those extreme hot days, and she probably didn't care how it sounded if she was only comfortable.

The Republican ward caucuses were held Monday evening, and the following named delegates selected to attend the county convention to-day: First ward—Milo Smith, H. H. Harding, F. A. Frink, G. Drake and E. H. King. Second ward—C. E. Armstrong, Geo. Kendall, P. S. Towle, Geo. B. Young and L. P. Allen. Third ward—E. E. Forbes, W. M. Parks, A. J. Santee and R. W. Mead. Fourth ward—J. F. Hayes, R. Baldwin, B. F. Mattison, G. A. Smith, E. C. Evans and P. V. Hall.

A report from Black River Falls says: "There has been a four foot rise in the river here and logs have been running well for five hours. There is a rise on the east fork which will come into the main river to-morrow and hold the water up for another day. It is believed that the natural water to get here with the floods will bring \$50,000,000 into the boom. This will start all the mills and the fall rains, which may reasonably be anticipated through the season, will result in much better feeling on all hands."

George Harrington, one of the victims of the "Wild West" shooting in connection with Sells Bros' circus at Clinton, July 19th, was brought over the river in a carriage yesterday and taken to the home of his parents. He had been at his brother-in-law's, Chris. Radmacher's, house in Lyons, since the shooting occurred. Harrington's is a sad case. He is helpless, one side being completely paralyzed, the effect of a bullet lodged in his brain. His mind and memory are affected, and although he may survive the wound he may have to go through life with impaired mental faculties. His claims for damages against Sells Bros. are in the hands of competent attorneys who are waiting the result of the injuries before commencing suit.—Fulton (Ill.) Journal.

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In an item elsewhere the AOK records the fact that water will destroy that growing pest of large towns, the English swallow. We have also to record the fact which is of equal significance that water will hush up the Salvation Army when other appliances have failed. A Council Bluffs paper says that the Salvation army object to water. It has withstood every milder protest. It has defied eggs, friendly counsel and arrest. But it objects to water. Some enterprising citizens living near Jefferson Park, Omaha, real-estate agents, turned on the hose. The

Messrs. Gardiner, Batchelder & Welles, with their accustomed enterprise, have decided to erect several additions to their milling property in this city, the effect of which will be to greatly increase the facilities of the firm in the manufacture of lumber, lath, shingles, etc.

The first of these will be a planing room, 70x90 feet in size and sixteen feet high, which will be arranged in a very convenient and complete manner and supplied with all the latest improved machinery in this particular branch of the saw milling industry. The building will be of brick, will form a continuation of the west end of the lower mill, and will be finished in a very neat and tasty manner.

The second will be a new boiler house, fifty feet square and twenty feet high, also of brick, in which nine new boilers will find accommodations. This structure will also be furnished in a first-class manner and will abut the east end of the same building as the planing room.

In addition to these a new stack, of square design, 12x12 and 120 feet high will be erected, the improvements as now in progress being another evidence of the thorough wide-awake character and business tact of the gentlemen under whose supervision they are being made.—Chronicle.

No Alcohol.

Pure Hungarian blackberry juice, at Comstock & Smith's, 922 Fourth street.

Iowa Democratic State Convention at Des Moines, September 1.

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Better Than Prohibition.

The C. M. & St. P. has issued the following order which goes into effect on Sunday, the 28th of August. The Northwestern some time since issued a similar order:

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They Won.

OBITUARY.

Major Chas. H. Toll.

The news of the sudden death of Major Chas. H. Toll reached this city last week too soon before the AOK went to press to enable us to do hardly more than to make the sad announcement. In the history of Clinton county published in 1879 the following brief biography of the Major may be found:

Major Chas. H. Toll, is a native of Van Buren, Onondago Co., N. Y.; born April 18, 1817. In 1840, he married Miss Eliza H. Lusk; daughter of Richard Lusk, of Lysander, N. Y.; in 1853, Major Toll came to Chicago, remained a short time, and the following year came to Iowa, and located at Lyons; soon after coming here, he was made Assistant Treasurer of the Iowa Land Company, and assisted in superintending the building of the railroad from the Mississippi River to Council Bluffs; in 1855, he was elected Mayor of Lyons; he afterwards resigned the office of Mayor, and located in Clinton, where his business interests called him; during his connection with the Railroad Company, he was elected Assistant Treasurer of the Iowa Land Company; in 1859, he was elected Sheriff of Clinton Co., and served two years; in 1862, he was appointed United States Commissioner for a Division of the Union army; during his term of service, he was assigned to duty in various departments, and in every position he increased the efficiency of the department in which he was called to serve; his duties were extremely trying and arduous, and his responsibilities very great. As a Commissioner, he was one of the most efficient in the Union army; he served until the close of the war; was relieved in January, 1866, and returned home; in December, 1875, he was appointed Postmaster of Clinton, and still holds that office; he has also held various town offices, and has been actively identified in the improvement of the city and county. While living in Onondago Co., N. Y., he was Supervisor of the town of Lysander, and, in 1856, he was elected Representative to the State Legislature. He is a member of the Order of Odd Fellows; united with that fraternity in 1846. He is a consistent member of the Baptist Church, uniting with that denomination in 1839. Is a Republican, but an independent thinker. Major Toll and wife have five children, two sons—Spencer L. (Postal Clerk on the C. & N. W. R. R. from Chicago to Cedar Rapids); Chas. H., Jr. (attending school at Mt. Vernon); three daughters—Mary Louise, Sarah E., (at home); Martha M. (now Mrs. Geo. W. Linnhart, of New York City).

If that biography has any value at all it must be for what is omitted rather than for what is produced. It is well known that Major Toll was connected with all the improvements that combined have made Clinton what it is. He never followed, but always led. He never waited to see that a thing succeeded before embarking in a similar enterprise. He took risks. When he built the Toll Block, which for years was one of the finest and most extensive business blocks in the state, he risked his all on that venture. At that time it required extraordinary nerve and pluck and grit and perseverance to conceive and push to completion so grand a structure. To do so the Major must have placed the highest confidence in his own views of the future growth of this city. The sequel showed that he planned wisely and built well. The venture to him may not have been financially successful, but to the city it was the entering wedge to its present greatness.

The Major had much to do with placing the extensive sash and door factory of Curtis Bros. & Co., where younger blood could make it the greatest enterprise of the kind in the world. He pioneered that great improvement. He may not have reaped the harvest his clear judgment and unerring sagacity saw was but a question of time, and the success of the enterprise, the production of a superstructure whose vast products are of sufficient magnitude to

up the Midland road. When the old Southwestern was first discussed, he proposed to the writer of this sketch, a trip of investigation over the projected line. At that time no one in Clinton knew anything about that route or the cost. So a carriage was procured and a week spent in looking over the line as far as Iowa City, and the Major has often remarked that the road as built did not vary at any one point ten rods from the identical route marked out on that trip. The Major was one of the most zealous and industrious workers in that project, and before he left Clinton he had the satisfaction of seeing a large part of the old enterprise completed. In working up that improvement the only funds provided were voluntary contributions, and it is within our knowledge that Major Toll was one of the most liberal of such contributors.

The services of Major Toll were in constant demand by the public. He was the first Mayor of Lyons, and he was one of the best the city ever had. He was sheriff of Clinton county, was a member from this county of the General Assembly just before the war. He served his country in active service during the war. He was a supervisor of the county for several terms. He was Mayor of this city, and for 11 years was its honored and respected Postmaster. In all the varied walks of life, in public or in private, he was ever faithful to his convictions and ever true to himself.

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Sioux City stuck close to the packers of Chicago, and she won. Clinton was in the field long before Sioux City was and Clinton made a better showing by far than the former city possibly could. But Clinton faltered early in the contest. Her wind was not good. Her staying qualities failed her when most needed. Another great opportunity to become a great city has come and gone. We are glad so great an improvement can be kept inside the state. Sioux City is to be congratulated. The Telegraph tells the story:

The business men and financial circles of Sioux City, are in a nervous state of jubilation to-night over the intelligence received from Ed. Harkinson and D. T. Hedges, who are now in Chicago, that the deal has been closed and the contract signed with the Fowler Brothers for the early erection in the city of a pork packing house to cost not less than \$200,000. Also the deal is closed with Phil Armour, through Cudahy Bros., for the construction of another packing house to cost \$150,000. Liberal bonuses have been given by the city.

W. H. Silberhorn, who will conduct the beef and pork packing house under construction by the Union Stock Yards company at a cost of half a million, arrived from Chicago, to-day.

The Daily Journal will issue an extra 10,000 edition in the morning, fully setting forth Sioux City's good luck.

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The gas works were quite an experiment when built, but Major Toll hesitated not to risk his money in them; He was a valued member of the corporation and a director in the company.

The street car line was of doubtful expediency, but the Major was one of its chief promoters, putting in his money and remaining a director of the company up to the time he moved from this city.

The Water-Works were known to be non-paying at the time the charter was obtained, but the Major did not hesitate to respond generously to the call for subscriptions to stock.

From the organization of the Clinton National Bank and the Clinton Savings Bank, to the time of his departure, he was an active director in both and his judgment often controlled large investments or loans.

In the various railroad projects which from time to time have been agitated, Major Toll was always found at the front. He was active in season and out in securing the Northwestern road to cross the river at this point. He took a prominent part in working

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The danger to health from impure water is being quite generally discussed in the newspapers of the west. It is everywhere admitted that the city should discard the well. The reasons have been presented so often and they are so obvious that we need not repeat them. But of late the papers are advising the abandoning of wells in the neighborhood of the city limits. The Des Moines Leader in a recent article upon the subject says that outside of the city limits, the water, too, is impure. It is the boiled down essence of the normal impurities. These normal impurities are numerous. For instance, all well water has lead in it. Every fifth well, on an average, has enough to be at times injurious. This proportion may well be expected to increase, as the wells get low. Finally many of the other mineral impurities become visible. Much of the well water on which our near neighbors must now subsist is quite highly colored. The inmates of the Benedict home have been forbidden by the attending physician to drink the water which, until the Leader called attention to the matter, was their only supply.

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Wanted—To Rent.

A good cottage house, with barn and water on the place, in suburbs of Clinton or Lyons. Would like to lease with the privilege of buying. Rent payable monthly. Anyone having such property that will be for rent please call at this office.

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Glendale, California Biographies

Charles H. Toll

Charles H. Toll is justly considered one of the important men of Southern California. A financier of prominence, he has been closely identified with the progress of Los Angeles County. He believes firmly in the future greatness of Southern California and has done all firmly in his power to help in its advancement. Although a very busy man he still has time to devote to the welfare of his community.

Mr. **Toll** was born at Clinton, Iowa, November 24, 1858, a son of Hon. Charles Hulbert and Elizabeth (Lusk) Toll. His parents were natives of New York State. His father was an Iowa pioneer and was one of the men who really built up and developed Clinton as a city. He was a manufacturer there, and also held the office of postmaster. In all public affairs he was a leader. He was chosen to represent his district in the State Legislature and serve several terms with distinction. At the time of the Civil War he enlisted in the tenth Iowa Infantry, and was in the service until the end of the war. He was advanced to the rank of Major after the battle of Chickamauga and was put in charge of the Commissary Department. Major **Toll** died in Los Angeles in 1887.

Charles H. Toll, the youngest of five children, grew up in Clinton, Iowa; acquired a public school education and finished in Cornell College at Mount Vernon, Iowa. For a time he was a clerk in the Clinton postoffice and later was deputy clerk of courts of Clinton County. Mr. **Toll** moved to Los Angeles in 1885. He was credit man for several large firms in the city and gradually became identified with business and finance in an ever increasing scope, so as a banker he has met with accustomed success and is a recognized power in the local money market. In 1900 he was chosen cashier of the Southern California Savings Bank, and upon its merger with the Security Trust and Savings Bank in 1906, was made a vice-president of the latter institution, which position he has since retained. He was a member of the city council of Los Angeles from 1896 to 1900. He is a vice chairman of the War Finance Corporation for the Twelfth Federal Reserve District; a member of the Glendale and Los Angeles Councils of Boy Scouts, being treasurer of the latter. He is a member of the Salvation Army Board, of Los Angeles County; belongs to the California, University Club; and the Athletic Club of Los Angeles; and the Chamber of Commerce of Glendale. He is a director of the Van Nuys State Bank; was one of the organizers and the first president of the Glendale State Bank, is a director of the Goodyear Textile Mills and a trustee of Harvard Military School. Politically, Mr. **Toll** is a Republican. In 1911 he moved

to Glendale. His residence at 1635 Kenneth Road is one of the most spacious and attractive in Glendale, the residence grounds occupying seven acres.

At Los Angeles, September 4, 1902, Mr. **Toll** married Eleanor Margaret Joy. She was born in Minnesota and came to California at the age of six. She is a daughter of William Henry and Ruth Anna (Dougherty) Joy. Her father is a descendant of Thomas Joy of Boston, Massachusetts, who came to America on February 20, 1637, from Norfolk county, England. An architect, Thomas Joy designed and built the first Town House of Boston, which served as the capitol building of Massachusetts from 1657 until its destruction by fire in 1711. This historic building (referred to by Emerson in his "Boston Hymn") had for its site the open space at the head of what is now State Street. Many of the ancestors of Mrs. **Toll**, on both the father's and the mother's side, served in the colonial forces in the Revolutionary, and in the French and Indian Wars, and in the war of 1812; and her father served with distinction in the Eleventh Minnesota Volunteers, during the period of the Civil War.

Mrs. **Toll** was graduated from the Oakland High Schools, and took Collegiate work privately with some of the ablest professors of two of the leading universities of California. She became a teacher and after a brief experience in the schools of Sonoma County, moved to Los Angeles County, where she was a resident at Pomona for a brief period, before becoming affiliated with the schools of Los Angeles. She pursued this calling for nearly fourteen years and was, at the time of her marriage to Mr. **Toll**, a member of the faculty of the Los Angeles High School.

Four sons were born into the family: **Charles** Hulbert, Junior, now a senior at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Gerald Sidney, a junior at the University of California at Berkeley; Maynard Joy, who graduated from Glendale Union High School with the class of 1922; and Carroll Costello, a student at intermediate school. Mrs. **Toll** counts it as one of the great privileges of her life that she was enabled to teach her own boys for a period of two years each, before consigning them to the care of others.

When her children became older, Mrs. **Toll** felt the call to the service of her community and resultant from her intense interest in the affairs of her sons in school, she became vice-president of the Parent-Teacher Federation of Glendale, serving in this capacity during the year of 1912 and 1913. She then became president of the Federation, which place she filled during the period 1914-1915. As Educational Chairman for this organization, she in 1916 founded the Mutual Benefit Reading Circle, under the care of the Bureau of Education at Washington. This organization met for four years, weekly, in Mrs. **Toll**'s home. Its numbers increased so greatly that its tow hundred members transferred their home to the Glendale Library. This Circle has been the motive for much widespread comment by the Bureau of Education, as it has been called in numerous bulletins issued by this department, "a model organization."

In 1917, Mrs. **Toll** was elected to the Board of Trustees of the Glendale Schools, defeating her opponent, a man, by a large majority. She served as president of the board for three years. On the formation of this Foothill Club in 1915, Mrs. **Toll** was made its first president. In 1918, Mrs. **Toll** became the first vice-president of the Ebell Club of Los Angeles, one of the largest, if not the largest, Women's Clubs in the United States; which office she held for two years. She was then elected president of this organization, and served a complete term of office of two years in this well-known club, now being a member of its board of directors. In 1920, Governor Stephens appointed Mrs. **Toll** a member of the board of Trustees of the California School for Girls at Ventura, which position she still fills.

From "History of Glendale and Vicinity" by John Calvin Sherer. The Glendale Publishing Company, c. 1922 F. M. Broadbooks and J. C. Sherer. p. 356-362. Photos of Chas. **H. Toll** and Eleanor Joy **Toll** are found on pages 358 & 359.



ness is no part of their inheritance. Both parents are still living, the father aged eighty-eight, and the mother eighty-one. John Child has always been noted for his christian integrity, and for doing well whatever he undertakes to do. His wife has always been a great reader, is thoroughly posted on all current events, and on matters relating to the general government; is quite ready and expert in argument, and believes that it is woman's duty equally with her right to inform herself in all the practical knowledge attainable by a careful husbanding of spare time. She is a devoted christian, and has laid up a rich store of treasure for the future. The writer once heard her son remark that he felt indebted to his parents for whatever success he has had in life.

John Spencer Child was educated in the select school and academy of his native town; subsequently taught for a season or two, and in March, 1857, immigrated to Iowa. He settled in Rockford, engaged in mercantile business with a brother-in-law, O. H. Lyon, now a banker in Rockford. The firm of Child and Lyon, general dealers, continued for twelve or fourteen years, and few houses in the Shellrock valley were better known, and none had a better name. They knew only one way of doing business, that of dealing fairly and honestly with all customers.

Mr. Child is still in trade, having for the last five

years operated alone. His eldest son, Harris M., a very competent young man, only eighteen years old, is managing the entire business, purchasing as well as selling goods. Mr. Child has had marked success in business, and not enjoying very good health, travels more or less, and lives partially at his ease.

Mr. Child was treasurer of Floyd county for two years, commencing on the 1st of January, 1870, and during that time was also interested in trade. He left the treasurer's office with a clean balance-sheet.

In politics, he is a republican; in religion, he is a Congregationalist, and is benevolent, active in temperance, and in all other enterprises for the good of the people.

On the 30th of March, 1858, he was united in marriage with Miss Lydia F. Lyon, of Woodstock, Connecticut, and they have five children. The eldest son is in the store, and the eldest daughter, Alice S., is being educated in Massachusetts; the other three, Mary Lyon, Anna Gertrude and Leonard Walker, are young and still at home.

Rockford, like scores of other towns in Iowa, was particularly fortunate in the character of its early settlers, most of whom were not only public-spirited and enterprising, but were men of noble principles, whose impress is still seen and felt in the village. Mr. Child is prominent among the Rockford men of this class whose names appear in this book.

MAJOR CHARLES H. TOLL,

CLINTON.

CHARLES H. TOLL, son of Charles H. and Sally Toll, was born on the 18th of April, 1817, in the town of Van Buren, Onondaga county, New York. His father, a descendant of the old Mohawk Germans of that state, was one of the most thorough and energetic business men of that section. He was in his time largely engaged in various enterprises, both of a public and private nature, besides filling and faithfully discharging the responsible duties of several public positions in the community in which he resided. He was highly esteemed for his business talent and integrity of character, and likewise for his public spirit and sterling worth. His mother, a native of Franklin county, Connecticut, was a most estimable lady, and a near relative of Chancellor Walworth, of New York. Her tender regard for her son, and her loving devotion to his

welfare, has left upon his mind throughout life an indelible and lasting impression.

He was principally educated at the public schools of his neighborhood, but subsequently, during one year, pursued a more thorough course of study in an institution under the supervision of Dr. Andrew Yates. At the age of eighteen he left home and soon after engaged himself as a clerk in a grocery store in the city of Syracuse, New York. After a brief term he retired from the above position, and obtained a more desirable one in another establishment in the same vicinity and continued with it one year. Having obtained in this time some knowledge of business as well as practical experience in trade, in 1837 he entered into a business arrangement with another party, and established himself in the parental neighborhood in a mercantile capacity.

After continuing in this business some three years the partnership was mutually dissolved, he having embarked in another enterprise in a neighboring locality. His business career during the following eight years, although exhibiting great business talent and ability, as well as financial skill and comprehension, was characterized by various adverse experiences, arising invariably from injudicious management of his associates in trade. In 1849 a gentleman with whom he was intimately and largely associated in business was killed on the cars. This unfortunate circumstance involved him in much financial difficulty, and pressed heavily on his business operations during many subsequent years. At the same time, other business disasters following in rapid succession, he decided to close up as satisfactorily as possible his tangled business complications and seek a new field of enterprise in the west. He arrived in Chicago in 1853, and after having spent a few months as bookkeeper in a well-known firm in that city, he decided to locate at Lyons, Iowa, where he took up his residence in 1854, having previously made a small investment in that vicinity. Soon after his arrival he was employed by eastern capitalists to assist in superintending the building of a railroad from the Mississippi river to Council Bluffs, on the Missouri. In 1855 he was elected mayor of the city of Lyons, and was forced from his position to take an active interest in the various public enterprises in successful operation as well as those in contemplation. The contending interests of the two principal localities, Lyons and Clinton, necessarily drew him before the public, and involved him, during the local controversy regarding the railway bridge, in a strife foreign both to his nature and interests.

He resigned his office as mayor of Lyons and located in Clinton, where his business required his presence. At this time Clinton was not in existence. To a business man the locality, as a future business point, possessed many advantages over Lyons, but it must have required strong faith in one's own discernment and judgment to induce a man to invest his interests in so uninviting a locality. During his connection with the railroad company he was elected assistant treasurer of the Iowa Land Company, and was appointed also superintendent of the ferry boat owned by this company. In 1859 he was elected sheriff of Clinton county, and served two years.

In 1862 he was appointed United States commis-

sary for a division of the Union army, and immediately reported for duty at Cincinnati. In that capacity he served until the close of the war in 1866.

His military career has been equally varied and honorable. As a commissary he enjoys the reputation of being one of the most efficient of the entire Union army. During his term of service he was assigned to duty in various departments as commissary, and in every position he increased the efficiency of the department in which he was called to serve. His remarkable ability as commissary was duly appreciated and handsomely acknowledged by his commanding officer. His military experience is full of startling interests and adventure; his duties were extremely trying and very arduous, and his responsibilities great. After the surrender of Lee the force was gradually reduced, and he was finally relieved in January, 1866, when he returned home.

His life has been eventful, and marked by several peculiar incidents, revealing in their detail the inherent traits of character and disposition that have led him on in business and crowned all his undertakings with success; but the studied brevity of this sketch will not allow of their introduction.

Although an active business man, Major Toll has filled several civil positions of trust and responsibility. In 1845 and 1846 he was supervisor of the town of Lysander, Onondaga county, New York; in 1854 a member of the legislature; in 1859 elected sheriff, and in 1862 appointed war commissary in the Union army. He has been justice and supervisor of Clinton during the past five years.

In 1846 he joined the Odd-Fellows, and continued with that fraternity till he came west in 1856, and has recently renewed his fellowship.

He is a highly intelligent and respected member of the Baptist church, and contributes liberally to its support, having joined the denomination in 1839.

He married, in 1840, Eliza H., daughter of Richard Lusk, of Lysander, New York.

In politics, he is a republican, a decided and independent thinker.

At the close of the war in 1866, he built in Clinton, Iowa, one of the most elegant and superb business blocks in that vicinity, at a cost of over fifty thousand dollars. His public spirit, and his desire to improve and extend the town, induced him to make what subsequently proved to be unprofitable investments in buildings and other enterprises both public and private. He suffered severe losses by fire at this period, and likewise by misplaced con-

fidence in irresponsible and injudicious parties. In 1874 certain defalcations having been detected in the postoffice department at Clinton, he being one of the bondsmen, was appointed cashier for the time being, and in 1875 was himself made postmaster in place of the defaulter.

All his various and widely extended transactions have been throughout characterized by fair and open dealing, and an honest endeavor to do as he would be done by; and they furnish ample proof of his comprehensive intellect and thorough business capacity. His reputation for financial ability and in-

tegrity of character have never yet been questioned. Major Toll, like his ancestors, is a man of strong and vigorous constitution, of a solid, compact organization, and a clear and active intellect. He is a man well qualified for business and social intercourse; prompt, courteous and frank in his manners, and from his natural quickness of perception and his constant habit of mingling with men he has a clear and accurate knowledge of human nature. In the army he achieved an honorable record, and justly occupies a high position in the community where he resides.

CHARLES H. W. STARKER,

BURLINGTON.

CHARLES HENRY WILLIAM STARKER, capitalist and president of the Iowa State Savings Bank, was born in Stuttgart, Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany, on the 11th of March, 1826. His parents were Fleinrich and Catharina Starker. His father was a dealer in furniture, as his father had been before him. He was educated by an uncle in Stuttgart and attended the Beale School, and afterward the Polytechnical School. In youth, his time was devoted to labor, either over his books by hard study, or employed in the little duties of household labor. He left school at seventeen, and was engaged by the Bavarian government for four years as superintendent of the work of erecting bridges, locks, etc., upon the canal. Thus at an early age was he employed by his government in positions of responsibility and trust. When twenty-one he attended his military duties, but freed himself from the conscription. In April, 1847, he went to Upper Italy (Lombardy), and was engaged in the marble quarries there, where he remained until February, 1848, when the revolution broke out and most all the enterprises of the German government ceased; and as there appeared no chance for its renewal, he concluded to emigrate to the United States, and embarked from Havre on the 22d of October, 1848, and after a voyage of forty-two days arrived in America. Having no relatives or friends in this country, he went to Buffalo, where he formed an engagement in a leather store, at a salary of eight dollars a month. The house he engaged with having opened a branch store in Chicago, and he being desirous of going farther west, he obtained a situation there, and by mak-

ing himself useful he received a much better salary. In the spring of 1850 he left the store and engaged in the office of Mr. T. Knudson, an architect, and assisted him in the erection of the Sweden Church and the construction of a new arched roof for the Episcopal Church. In July, 1850, he made an engagement with Hon. James W. Grimes, of Burlington, Iowa, to erect a residence for him, which, with other buildings, kept him employed nearly a year. Finding his regular profession unprofitable, in October, 1851, he went into the mercantile business. He had but small means, the result of his earnings, but by the assistance of some relatives he commenced the retail grocery business with a capital of four thousand dollars. He engaged exclusively in wholesale trade in 1865, under the firm name of Charles Starker and Co. Commenced business about 1852, his sales being about seven thousand dollars the first year, and the last year they were eight hundred thousand dollars, the result of his good management and business enterprise. He attributes much of his success to steadiness, politeness and honesty, which gained for him a reputation. He retired from business in 1875, and enjoys, as the result of his labors, a comfortable competence.

He was alderman for four years, and was chairman of wharf, finance and several other committees during that service. He is president of the German-American School, erected in 1866; also president of the Burlington Loan and Building Association since 1868, to this date; director of the First National Bank since 1862; trustee of the Aspen Grove Cemetery for some time and is now president of the in-

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Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Toll, Charles H
Residence 802 3rd St., Clinton, Ia (1885)
Occupation Post Master at Clinton
Date birth 1817 Place New York
Date death 1890 Place Calif
Cause Place burial
War record Major Q.S. U.S.V.
Pension File Rank Company Regiment State Organization
indicates service: Commissary Subsistence United
Enlisted States Vols Date Place

Pensioned
Widow Eliza H War pensioned WC 305.360
Battles, etc. filed Aug 11, 1890 Calif

Nearest relatives

Father Nativity

Mother Nativity

Wife Eliza W born N.Y. 1820

Children

Louisa M
Sarah E
Charles, Jr

Sources

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Iowa Census 1885, Book 168, Clinton, page 325		
Toll, Charles, age 67, born N. Y., Fort master at Clinton. wife, Eliza W., age 65, born New York children born New York: Louisa M., age 40, Sarah E., age 35; and Charles Jr. age 26, born Clinton Co., Iowa		

Two references in Index to War Dept reports show him a Commissary Officer in Subsistence Dept. Honorably mentioned Hdqtrs Post Chattanooga, of staff of Col. C. H. Grosvenor- and Ser I, vol 23, p 1, page 90 Army of the Cumberland,

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1880 United States Federal Census

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Home in 1880:	Clinton, Clinton, Iowa	
Age:	63	
Estimated birth year:	abt 1817	
Birthplace:	New York	
Relation to Head of Household:	Self (Head)	
Spouse's name:	Eliza H.	
Father's birthplace:	New York	
Mother's birthplace:	Connecticut	
Neighbors:	View others on page	
Occupation:	Post Master	
Marital Status:	Married	
Race:	White	
Gender:	Male	
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Otherwise disabled:		
Idiot or insane:		
Household Members:		
	Name	Age
	Charles H. Toll	63
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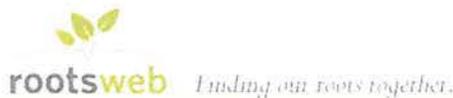
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