

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of **Representative** Perkins, Charles Grove Senator _____
Represented Audubon, Shelby, Crawford and Monroe Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 23 Jan 1830 Kindham, Rockingham County, New
Hampshire

2. Marriage (s) date place
Ruth Stearns 7 Oct 1852 Lowell, Massachusetts

3. Significant events for example:
A. Business _____
B. Civic responsibilities GAR
C. Profession Farmer, merchant; whaler in the Pacific Ocean

4. Church membership Congregational

5. Sessions served 14th General Assembly 1872

6. Public Offices
A. Local Monroe County recorder 1870, appointed postmaster of Osawa Jet 1873
serving until 18 April 1887
B. State _____
C. National _____

7. Death 10 Mar 1918 Osawa, Iowa; buried Osawa Cemetery, Osawa, Iowa

8. Children Mary H. (Mrs. Cleghorn); Adda Maria (Mrs. Verbeke); Charles F.;
John (died in childhood); David (died in childhood)

9. Names of parents James H. and Frances (Cleghorn) Perkins

Perkins, Charles Gove

10. Education

He was educated in schools in his neighborhood until age 15 mostly at Straunstown and Pembroke Academies in New Hampshire

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

His father was a Congregational minister and Charles remained at home receiving his education until age 15 where he shipped aboard a whaling vessel for 3 years in the Pacific Ocean and landing in San Francisco in 1847. He returned home and engaged in the clothing business at Mt Vernon, Illinois until 1855. He then moved to Adams County, Iowa and farmed there. Military service - Civil War - Company G, 19th Iowa Infantry. After the war he returned to his home in Adams County and then he moved to Marshall County, Iowa and engaged in farming.

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CAPTAIN PERKINS DIED SUNDAY

**Capt. C. G. Perkins for Many Years
One of Onawa's Leading Citizens,
Died Suddenly Sunday, Being
Seized While at Dinner Table—
Had Failed Rapidly Past Year.**

Capt. C. G. Perkins, who for many years has been one of the most prominent citizens of Onawa, died Sunday at the noon hour of heart failure, being seized suddenly while seated at the dinner table and expiring within a few minutes. Dr. C. W. Young, the family physician, was summoned but found the captain beyond the reach of medical aid.

While his death came suddenly at the last it was not entirely unexpected as he has been very feeble during the past year and had failed quite rapidly during the past few weeks.

His old army comrade and intimate friend, Wm. Hollenbeck of Rockwell City, had been his guest for a few days and the two old friends had spent the time together very pleasantly Sunday morning, conversing, telling stories and reading.

Funeral services were conducted at the home Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock by Rev. Turner, his pastor, of this city, and Rev. George Croker of Whiting, an old time friend of the deceased. Members of Hanscom Post acted as pall bearers and he was dressed in his blue military uniform in accordance with his own request. The floral offerings were beautiful and bespoke the general esteem and veneration in which he was held. He was made very comfortable and happy during his declining years by the devoted care of his daughter, Mrs. Addie Hershiser, and her family; and busied himself with his garden and fruit for which he had a coaxing hand, plants and shrubs springing up readily when planted by him and thriving vigorously under his skilful care.

Those present from out of town to attend his funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Behmer and Miss Annie Hershiser of Norfolk, Neb., Prof. Mark Cleghorn of Ames, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pechstein of Keokuk, Wm. Hollenbeck of Rockwell City and Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Colby of Stuart City.



1—The Siberian situation as the outcome of the world war. This picture shows so in command of an American trench in the officer, Lieutenant Harden of the Signal, Canadian and French colors.

THIRD LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN

**Drive Will Start April 6th Under
Thoroughly Organized Plan—
Meeting Held Tuesday Afternoon
to Perfect County Organization,
Willard B. Whiting, Presiding.**

At the Onawa opera house Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in answer to the call of County Chairman W. B. Whiting, a meeting was held for the purpose of forming an organization to put across the Third Liberty Loan which starts April 6. The meeting was well attended, every township chairman of the county being present except three. Mr. Whiting explained the methods to be used in the campaign, having recently returned from Chicago, where he

Capt. C. G. Perkins was born in Windham, N. H., Jan. 23, 1830, and died March 10, 1918, aged 88 years, 1 month and 15 days. He was the son of Rev. J. W. Perkins and Frances Cochran Perkins, and his boyhood days were spent in New Hampshire. When about twelve years old he was sent to an academy at Francestown, N. H. Tiring of school he decided to go to sea, and on his fourteenth birthday was on board ship rounding Cape Horn.

During these next few years he made many voyages to Sandwich Islands, Philippine Islands, Bermuda Islands and Cape of Good Hope, and to Alaska and Behring Sea as first mate on a whaling vessel getting whale oil, which they brought back to Boston around Cape Horn. He visited San Francisco in 1847.

Returning to his home he married Ruth Stearns Fletcher Oct. 7, 1852, and giving up the sea followed the tailoring trade for two or three years until 1855, when he came west and settling in Adams county, Wis., engaged in farming. When the war broke out he hesitated about leaving his wife and small children, but enlisted in Co. G, 19th Wisconsin Infantry, and was made orderly or first sergeant. In July, 1863, he was commissioned lieutenant and in Jan. 1864, was promoted to the first lieutenant which position he held at the time of his discharge May 5, 1865.

Most of his service was with his regiment in Virginia and North Carolina, they being a portion of the Eighteenth Army corps and he participated in the battles of Suffolk, Black Water, Drury's Bluff, Seven Pines, Newberne, Petersburg and was one of the first to enter Richmond.

After receiving his discharge he returned to his home in Wisconsin and selling out they came to Iowa, traveling in a covered wagon, and settled in Onawa, residing here ever since, except four years spent on a farm in Whiting settlement.

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He served many terms as commander of Hanscom Post 97, G. A. R., and for the past forty years has been the official government weather reporter of the city.

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attended a meeting of prominent men of wealth who discussed ways and means to expedite the floating of the Third Liberty loan.

Mr. Whiting explained that the chairman of each township would be assisted by ten or fifteen men. Cards will be sent out to every taxpayer and voter in the county which must be signed and returned before April 6. These cards when returned will show the amount of property owned and the indebtedness of the signer—and from information gained from these cards will be determined the amount each signer should purchase. The township chairmen have absolute authority, backed by the government to decide how much each person should invest. However all cases will be given due consideration and where any altercation arises, a decision will be rendered by a court which will probably be maintained here in Onawa during the campaign. Monona county's apportionment in this loan has not been made known as yet, it depending of course on the total amount of the government loan, the amount of which has not been made public.

A sample of the card to be sent out appears in this issue.

CONTINUATION SALE SATURDAY

Contributions Whether New or Those Prevented From Being Brought in to First Sale Are Requested Without Further Solicitation—All Donations Should Be in Before Noon.

The Red Cross chapter will hold a continuation of their auction sale next Saturday owing to the fact that so much material was left over from last Saturday's sale, which the auctioneers were unable to handle in the one day. Aside from what is already on hand many donations of live stock, vegetables, etc., from the country were not delivered on account of the weather and will form a part of next Saturday's sale. A competent corps of auctioneers will be on hand to take charge of the sale, which will be conducted in the same way as on last Saturday.

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There are seventeen grandchildren and ten great grandchildren living.

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Satisfy that sweet tooth with
Palmer's candies from the Best Candy
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It is requested that all persons who have any contributions to make for the sale will bring them in without any further solicitation.

Always fresh and always the best
Palmer's candies at the Best Candy

RECEPTION GIVEN MRS F. C. SMITH AND MRS. LEEBY

On Wednesday afternoon a reception complimentary to Mrs. F. C. Smith and Mrs. Leeby was held at the home of Mrs. Jane Moorhead by the ladies aid society of the First Christian church. A large attendance was present and a most enjoyable afternoon was spent in visiting and sewing on Red Cross towels. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Leeby will soon move to Bloomington, Ill., where they will make their future home. Bloomington is not new to these ladies, they moved from Bloomington here and spent most of their lives at that place. Their early acquaintances are there and Mrs. Smith was one of the charter members of one of the Christian churches in that city, so it will be like going home to Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Leeby, but they will be much missed by their many friends here and their return visits to Onawa will be looked forward to. At the close of the afternoon a most delicious luncheon was served. The committee for the afternoon were Mrs. Alsbrook, Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Jane Moorhead. The Moorhead home was beautifully decorated with cut flowers. Large bouquets of sweet peas and tulips formed the center pieces for the tables. On their departure Mrs. Egli in a few well chosen words presented Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Leeby with small gifts as tokens of love and best wishes from the aid society.

REVISE THE 50-50 FLOUR SALE RULE

ADMINISTRATOR PRICHARD ANNOUNCES CHANGES TO TAKE PLACE THIS WEEK

Spuds Out of the Class No Further Certification of Flour in Hands of Consumers Permitted No Exceptions to Rule.

The following revisions of the "fifty-fifty" retail flour sales rule are announced by J. A. Prichard, the local federal food administrator, to become effective Monday.

No retailer of wheat flour is permitted to sell or deliver any wheat flour, (including "war" flour) unless he at the same time sells and delivers an equal weight, pound for pound, of any or all of the following wheat flour substitutes:

Hominy, corn flour, rolled oats, flour, sweet potato flour, corn grits,

CAPT PERKINS ANSWERS LAST CALL

DIED AT HIS HOME ON SUNDAY AT NOON OF HEART FAILURE.

Had Been the Commander of Hanson Post for Twenty-eight Years and Was one of Onawa's Most Loved Citizens. Funeral Held on Wednesday.

Captain Charles G. Perkins, one of Onawa's most loved citizens loved because of his clean citizenship, unsoiled integrity and his usefulness as a citizen on Sunday, March 10th, 1918, answered the last bugle call and journeyed on to the great beyond. His death came suddenly being heart failure. Mr. Perkins in many respects has not only passed a busy life, but one of many experiences.

He was born at Wingham, Rockingham County, N. H., January 23rd, 1830, being at the time of his death 88 years old. His youth was spent in sea until he was fifteen years old when he shipped aboard a whaling vessel, which he remained for about three years spending most of this time on the Pacific ocean. In 1847 his stay was for a time in San Francisco and was then but a village of huts and tents. His great career was not known as one of the business matters of the world. The village at that time was becoming the haven of adventurers and gold seekers of the east. Mr. Perkins could not stay there at that time of living long enough to see that one time village of Spaniards and Indians one of over a half million people and its sky scrapers. Returning to his home in the east soon after 1847 he engaged in the clothing business at Mt. Vernon, N. H., which he followed until 1855 when again he came west settling in Wisconsin on a farm. While peacefully pursuing the daily vocations of a farmers life he heard the call to arms and on February 15th, 1862 answered the call of his country for service. He enlisted in Co. G, 19th Wisconsin Inf., and served with distinction until mustered out in May 1865.

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edible corn starch, oatmeal, buckwheat
flour, soya bean flour, corn meal, bar-
ler flour, rice, potato flour, feterita
flour and meals.

Whole wheat and graham flours are
subject to the same rules as other
wheat flour, except that in selling
whole wheat or graham flour contain-
ing at least 95 per cent of the entire
wheat, six-tenths of a pound of sub-
stitutes must be sold with every pound
of whole wheat or graham flour.

No potatoes shall be sold as a wheat
flour substitute.

No further certification of wheat
flour substitutes in the hands of con-
sumers will be permitted, except in
special cases, which must be passed
upon individually by the county food
administrators. Where permissions is
granted it must be in writing, and in
no case shall exceed more than one-
eighth of a barrel of flour.

Retailers of flour shall not sell more
than one-quarter of a barrel of flour
to local consumers, or more than one-
half barrel to rural consumers.

There shall be no exception to these
rules. Hospitals, city, county and state
institutions must buy pound for pound
just as in the case of other consumers.
Licensed bakers may purchase for bak-
ing purposes in the ratio of four
pounds of wheat flour to one pound
of substitute.

BOYS AT CAMP DODGE WANT THE DEMOCRAT

March 7, 1918.

My Dear Sir:

Several of the new recruits have ask-
ed that a copy of your paper be plac-
ed in our home reading files of your
"Y" No. 94.

If you will place our name on your
list for three months, we shall be glad
to keep your paper in such files.

Address wrapper "Army Y M C A.
No. 94 Camp Dodge Iowa.

Warren E. Hicks

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Besides these important offices he has
filled many minor positions. He was
a member of Hanscom Post and for
years served as their commander. The
Post at one time was the largest in
Western Iowa, but as the years have
gone by, taps has sounded for the
old veterans until not but a scatte-
ring few remain with us. Captain Per-
kins has always been a central figure
at the memorial day services until last
year when failing health compelled
him to be absent. His absence from
these meetings was greatly noticed
and the spirit seemed to be missing
when Captain Perkins was not pre-
sent to preside over the meeting.

He was married October 7th, 1852
at Lowell Mass., to Miss Ruth Stearns
a native of Waltham and to that union
were born five children. Mrs. Mary
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W. A. Hollenbeck, from Rockwell
City, Iowa, has been here visiting with
Captain Perkins and was here at the
time of his death. Mr. Hollenbeck was
a life long friend and was a member
of Captain Perkins' company in the
Civil War. They were very close and
dear friends.

The funeral services were conduct-
ed from the home on Wednesday af-
ternoon at 2 o'clock conducted by Rev.
Croker of Whiting, and Rev Turner
of Onawa, and the pall bearers were
comrades of Captain Perkins. The
remains were laid to rest in the On-
awa cemetery.

NORTH LINCOLN

THE UNITED STATES
BIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARY
AND
PORTRAIT GALLERY
OF
EMINENT AND SELF-MADE MEN.

IOWA VOLUME.

CHICAGO AND NEW YORK:
AMERICAN BIOGRAPHICAL PUBLISHING COMPANY.
1878.

ley was a revolutionary soldier, and his father was in the second war with England.

The subject of this notice lived in Kentucky until about 1827, farming, with very limited opportunities for education. At the date mentioned he moved to Springfield, Illinois, and engaged in farming there for about seven years within the present corporation of that city. In 1831 he volunteered in the Black Hawk war, and served until its close the next year, Black Hawk himself being captured in what is now the State of Wisconsin in August of that year.

Two years after the close of this war Mr. Saunders crossed the Mississippi, entered the so called "Black Hawk Purchase," about which there had been great excitement, and in 1834 reached the spot where Mount Pleasant now stands, then in Michigan territory. Here he pitched his tent in a wild region among the Indians before the land had been surveyed. Late in 1835 he drove the first stakes for the location of Mount Pleasant, where his squatter's claim was located. At that time there was an Indian trading-post at Rome, eight miles farther west, kept by William Phelps. In 1836 he opened a small frontier store, and has continued the same business up to the present time, his being probably the oldest mercantile house in the state.

Mr. Saunders was on the first grand jury that convened west of the Mississippi river, in what is now

Iowa, it then being in Michigan territory. In 1862 he added banking to his mercantile business; in 1864 organized the First National Bank of Mount Pleasant, and has been its president ever since, the only office he has ever held. He is one of the most prudent, careful and successful business men of the place, and has always borne an irreproachable character. The first settler in the place and an excellent citizen, he is held in high esteem. He has lived a very quiet life, never allowing himself to be carried away by political excitement.

He is a republican, with whig antecedents.

Mr. Saunders has had two wives; his first was Miss Edith Cooper; married in 1829, at Springfield, Illinois. She had three children, and died in 1836. Only one child, Mary, the wife of John McCoy, of Mount Pleasant, is living. She was the first child born in Mount Pleasant. His present wife was Miss Huldah Bowen, of Mount Pleasant; married in 1837. She has had four children, all living and all married: Smith and Alvin are merchants in Mount Pleasant; Eliza is the wife of John Bowman, of California, and Etna is the wife of Frederic Hope, of Mount Pleasant. All of Mr. Saunders' living children were born in Mount Pleasant: Mary in Michigan territory, Smith in Wisconsin territory, Alvin in Iowa territory, and Eliza and Etna in the State of Iowa.

CHARLES G. PERKINS.

ON ILL.

CHARLES GOVE PERKINS, postmaster at Onawa, is a native of the Granite State, dating his birth on the 23d of January, 1830, at Windham, Rockingham county. His father, James W. Perkins, was a physician early in life, and later a Congregational minister. The Perkinses came to this country from England somewhere about the beginning of the eighteenth century and settled in Massachusetts. The grandfather of Charles Gove was in the revolution, taken prisoner, carried to England and released at the close of the war; and his father was a private in the second war with the mother country.

Dr. Perkins left Windham when the subject of this sketch was less than a year old; practiced two or three years in New Boston, New Hampshire, and about 1833 became pastor of the Congregational

Church at New Hampton, in the same state. He afterward preached at Warner, Alstead and Hocksett, and died in 1873. His wife, whose maiden name was Fanny Cochran, died in 1874. Charles G. was educated mainly at Francistown and Pembroke academies.

In 1846 he started on a whaling voyage, going around Cape Horn into the Pacific and Arctic oceans, his first trip lasting four years. He made other voyages, the seafaring period of his life lasting between seven and eight years.

In 1853 Mr. Perkins started the tailoring and ready-made clothing business at Mont Vernon, New Hampshire, and two years later removed to Wisconsin, settling on a farm in New Chester, Adams county. There, while engaged in agricultural pursuits, he served on the board of supervisors five or six

years, and as deputy sheriff two years, being postmaster all the time he remained in Wisconsin.

In February, 1862, Mr. Perkins enlisted as a private in company G, 19th Wisconsin Infantry, which was in the eighteenth army corps. He served three years; was with the regiment in all the skirmishes and battles in which it participated, and, like two brothers who also served the same length of time, he never received even a scratch. He came out a first lieutenant of the company.

In September, 1865, Mr. Perkins settled in Onawa, farming for four years. He was elected recorder of Monona county in 1871, but resigned before his term had expired. He was a member of the fourteenth general assembly, representing Monona, Crawford, Shelby and Audubon counties, and serving on the committees on agriculture, on highways and on

some special committees. He was appointed postmaster in February, 1873, and in this, as well as every other position he has occupied, he has served the people with the utmost faithfulness. In many ways he is a very useful citizen.

Mr. Perkins has always affiliated with the republican party, cherishes its principles with the greatest cordiality and firmness, and works earnestly to further its interests.

On the 9th of October, 1853, he was united in marriage with Miss Ruth Stearns, of Lowell, Massachusetts. They have had five children and have lost two of them. Mary W., the eldest of the living children, is the wife of John Cleghorn, dealer in agricultural implements, Onawa; Charles W. and Addie M. are single, aiding their father in the post-office and his store.

W. H. GIBBON, M.D.,

CHARITON.

THIS distinguished army surgeon was born at Ellicott's Mills, Maryland, on the 31st of January, 1832. His father, Mason Gibbon, was born at Salem, New Jersey, in 1797. His mother's maiden name was Mary Marr Brooks; she was born at Roadstown, Cumberland county, New Jersey, and still living at Philadelphia. Dr. Gibbon's father was a civil engineer, and was engaged upon the survey of the Philadelphia and Baltimore railroad at the time of the birth of the subject of this sketch. He died when the son was but fifteen years of age.

Dr. Gibbon attended the Salem Academy, New Jersey, until he was twelve years of age, shortly after which his family removed to Philadelphia, at which city the doctor attended a public school until he was seventeen; after which he was employed as clerk in a dry-goods store at Philadelphia until he was twenty years of age.

Preferring Esculapius to dry goods, the doctor then commenced reading medicine with his uncle, Dr. Quinton Gibbon, at Salem, New Jersey, with whom he remained studying and attending lectures at the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, and from which he graduated in 1857. He then traveled for a year, and in the spring of 1858 he came to Chariton, Iowa, where he commenced the practice of his profession.

On the 2d of November, 1861, he was commis-

sioned assistant surgeon of the 15th Iowa regiment, and in the succeeding year was commissioned surgeon of the same regiment. In this capacity he served at the battle of Shiloh, and was with the army of the Tennessee from that time until the capture of Vicksburg, and subsequently participated in the Atlanta campaign, and was with the 17th army corps during Sherman's memorable "march to the sea." He was mustered out of the service at the expiration of his term of service at Savannah, Georgia, and returned to Chariton, where he at once recommenced the practice of medicine, in which he is still engaged.

During Dr. Gibbon's entire term in the field he was one of the board of operators, and displayed great skill in the manipulation of his many and arduous duties. Upon his retirement from the service Major Pomutz, then in command of the 15th Iowa Veteran Volunteers, issued the following order:

[GENERAL ORDERS NO. 29.]

HEADQUARTERS 15TH IOWA INFANTRY VETERAN VOLUNTEERS,
SAVANNAH, GEORGIA, December 22, 1864.

Surgeon William H. Gibbon, of this regiment, having this day been honorably discharged the United States service, the commanding officer of this regiment cannot forbear giving expression to the just appreciation by himself, as well as by the officers and men of his command, of the unabated zeal, efficiency and practical skill with which the surgeon has discharged his important duties while connected with and in charge of the medical department of this regiment. In the earlier part of the military life of this command, during the memorable battles of Shiloh and Cor-

inth, he acquired and men by his well as by his fully attending rear of the line enemy. That and deserved his three years ever vigilant care could accomplish them while und

During the capture of the captured board of operations in practice "one of the best surgical operations preserved the lives of this and recorded as a triumph This command turn to the field army.

The adjutant will the surgeon.

JOSEPH R. Z. district, is a county, Pennsylvania, Claypole Zuer, tember, 1833. Germany, and ther back. Joseph of ten children, elder brother had years of age Joseph himself, but, in the younger member

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HISTORY

—OF—

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OF IOWA, AND OF THE PRESIDENTS OF THE
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bury) Perkins, was the mother of nineteen children and died at Mt. Vernon, N. H., in 1856, when some ninety-eight years of age.

James W. Perkins, the father of our subject, was born in 1795, and died at New Chester, Adams County, Wis., March 29, 1874, and his wife, who was born in 1796, died in October, 1875, at the same place.



AARON A. DAVIS is one of the old settlers of Monona County who came from their New England home and have so materially aided in the development of this section of the State. He is a resident of Kennebec Township, living on section 28. He first came to this county April 29, 1857, and located on section 8, coming from Hallowell, Me., by way of Mt. Pleasant, Oskaloosa, and Lewis, Iowa. He remained upon that claim during the winter, but in the spring of 1858 moved to section 19. There he made his home until December, 1862, having purchased the land of the county, it being in the Swamp Land grant, for \$1.25 per acre. From there he removed to the southeast quarter of section 28, but, May 13, 1864, took up his residence on the northwest quarter of section 28, which has since that time been his home. He has now a fine farm of five hundred acres of land, and is largely engaged in the cattle business, having commenced in that line about 1859. In 1877 he commenced grading and rearing Short-horn cattle, and in 1880, Hereford stock, and has now a herd of one hundred and forty head of high grades and thoroughbreds.

Mr. Davis was born in Kennebec County, Me., August 19, 1827, and is the son of Aaron H. and Abby (Pilsbury) Davis. His father was a native of New Hampshire, who removed to Maine with his parents when about twelve years of age, and was a seaman by profession. He was a captain of a vessel during the war of 1812-15, and drew a pension for his services from the Government in his later years. About 1825 he gave up the sea and settled upon a farm near Richmond, Me., where he died in May, 1885. The mother of our subject, a native of Massachusetts, was taken to Hallowell,

Me., by her parents when a small child, and died at Richmond, November 29, 1882, at the age of ninety years.

The subject of this narrative, until he was about fourteen years of age, attended a district school near his father's house, after which he spent about two years in the Hallowell Academy. Starting in life for himself, he followed the sea for about eight years, his first voyage being to the Pacific Ocean, Australia, and the islands of Oceanica. He was at San Francisco at the time it was taken possession of by Commodore Sloat during the war with Mexico, and has been as far north as latitude 57, twice. He holds an American Seaman's Protection, which is numbered 214 and dated May 30, 1845. This serves a sailor in foreign ports from impressment as an English seaman, and officially testifies to his American birth. Growing tired of a roving life, he finally abandoned a seafaring life, and settled down in his native county, where he followed the carpenter's trade until coming west, in 1857.

When Mr. Davis first came to this county he was in very limited circumstances, having been compelled to borrow the money with which to bring his wife to their new home, where she came in September, 1857. For several years they endured many hardships. The first cow that Mr. Davis ever owned he earned by building a bridge over the Soldier River, in St. Clair Township, whither he went to work, leaving his wife at home with Indians camped all about. He followed bridge carpentering for the county for some time, taking his pay in Swamp Land certificates, but finally settled down to farm life. The elegant residence which adorns his place is, for the most part, the work of his own hands, the finer portion of the carpentering being entirely so. This is one of the finest farm residences in the county.

Mr. Davis was married, January 20, 1850, to Miss Abbie Gray, a native of Lincoln County, Me., who was born September 28, 1827, and is the daughter of Henry and Abbie (Chase) Gray, both whom were natives of Lincoln County. Her mother, who was born in 1807, went to the island of Hayti with her husband, who was also a sea captain, and there died on the 6th of May, 1867. Capt.

Department of Iowa
Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Perkins, Charles G

War

Residence Onawa, Iowa

Battles, etc.

Occupation Post Master

Nearest relatives

Date birth Jan 23 1830 Place Windham, N. H.

Father James W

Nativity

Date death Mar 10, 1918 Place Onawa, Iowa
Cause Onawa Cem. Place burial Onawa, Iowa

Mother Frances Cochran

Nativity

War record

Wife Ruth Stearns

1st Lt. G 19 Wis. Inf.
Rank Company Regiment State Organization

Children

Res. New Chester

Mary W

Enlisted Rank from 13 Ap 1864

Charles W

Enl. 5 F '62; 1st Sgt. ;
2nd Lt. 3 Je 1863

John

Must. Out 29 Ap 1865

Ada

David S

Sources Roster Wis Vols.: (Charles G.)

Discharged

Date

Place

Graves Reg.: Monona County Hist in possession of W. B. Riddle, Ute, Iowa
Des Moines Trib Mar 13, 1918, p. 5

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Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Perkins, Charles G

Record Membership and Dues Paid

Offices of honor in G. A. R.

Post name
Hanscomb

Post No.
97 (30)

Place
Onawa

Date Joined
8 D 1882
Age 52

Year Date Paid Amount Year Date Paid Amount

Member-at-Large

Year Date Paid Amount

Suspended

Died

State of Iowa

Name..... Charles C. Perkins
P. O. Address..... Osawa
County..... Monona
Occupation..... Farmer
Nativity..... Sec. Hampshire
Married or Single..... Married
Religion..... Protestant
If in the Service; regiment and rank..... 1st Lt. 19th Wis. Vol. R. 15
Years in Iowa..... Six
Age..... 42
Weight..... 145

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ED WRIGHT,

SECRETARY OF STATE.

Married or Single..... Married
Religion..... Presbyterian
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Years in Iowa.....
Age.....
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ABT
Age: 22</p> | <p>Marriage to Ruth Stearns
Onawa, Monona, IA</p> | |
| <p>1870
Age: 40</p> | <p>Residence
West Fork, Monona, Iowa</p> | <p>1 source citation</p> |
| <p>1880
Age: 50</p> | <p>Residence
Onawa, Monona, Iowa, United States</p> | <p>1 source citation</p> |
| <p>1900
20 Sep
Age: 70</p> | <p>Death
Onawa, Monona, IA</p> | |
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