

SERGT. VAN BUREN SLEEPER.

Van Buren Sleeper, son of David and Caroline (McLaughlin) Sleeper, was born in Chelsea, Vt., February 22, 1837, and died in Corinth, Vt., September 17, 1890, where he had gone in hopes of obtaining relief from a long sickness. He prepared for college at the Chelsea Academy, and entered the University in 1858, and remained until May, 1861, when he left to enter the service.

He enlisted in Company E, 2d Vermont Regiment, May 13, 1861; was promoted sergeant; served in Gen. O. O. Howard's brigade in Virginia, and later in the famous "Vermont Brigade;" was transferred to the Signal Corps, August 1, 1863; was mustered out of service, August 16, 1865.

He was in the employ of the Middlesex Mills, Lowell, Mass., 1865- 66; overseer of the Lowell Manufacturing Company, 1866-81. He was a Democrat in politics; was city treasurer of Lowell, 1883, until his death. He was a member of the F. and A. M.; I. O. O. F.; K. of P.; Post 42, G. A. R. of Lowell; Martin Luther's Club, Lowell, and several other local organizations.

He was married to Jeanette S. Campbell of Lowell, Mass., who died September 5, 1886. Four children were born to them, all of whom reside in Lowell. C. Estelle, Robert R., Jerome M., and Charles C.