

CHRISTOPHER C. AREHART.

The career of the soldier is always interesting, and in all local history the soldier must always have an honored place. There are yet living in Monroe township, Richland county, Ohio, several ex-soldiers of the Civil

war who are regarded with peculiar respect, and none of these is held in higher esteem than the subject of this notice.

Christopher C. Archart was born near Perrysville, Ashland county, Ohio, April 29, 1843, and was only a little past his eighteenth birthday when, in 1861, he enlisted as a private in Company B, One Hundred and Twentieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, for three years or during the war. For a time he was stationed at Covington, Kentucky, and his first engagement was at Chickasaw Bayou, Arkansas Post, Arkansas, January 11, 1863. He also saw service at Thompson's Hill, Mississippi, May 1, 1863; at the siege of Vicksburg, May 18 to July 4, 1863; at Big Black River, May 17, 1863; at Jackson, Mississippi, July 9 to 16, 1863; was appointed corporal May 1, 1864, and fought at Frankfort City, May 3, 1864. Arriving at Snaggy Point, on the Red river, on the transport City Belle, May 3, 1864, the regiment was captured, with the exception of one hundred. After the engagement last mentioned his company became Company E, One Hundred and Fourteenth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, Captain Henry Eberhart commanding, and Mr. Archart took part in the fighting at Graham's plantation, May 5 to May 7, 1864; at Prairie Bayou, May 14 to 16, 1864; at De Glaise, May 16, 1864; in the siege of Mobile, March 26 to April 9, 1865; and in the warfare at Fort Blakely, April 2 to 9, 1865. July 24 following he was transferred to Company E, Forty-eighth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was discharged from the service at Houston, Texas, October 4, 1865, and returned to Ashland county, Ohio, and was during one term a student at the school at Perrysville. After that he devoted himself for a time to learning the plasterer's trade, at which he worked for the next seven years, when he engaged in farming in Monroe township, Richland county.

Mr. Archart married Miss Emma Yates January 2, 1870, and in 1878 they moved to their present home farm, consisting of one hundred and twenty-two acres, where he has since devoted himself with success to general farming. A Democrat politically, he is a member of the Grange and influential in local affairs, having been a member of the township school board, assessor two terms and township trustee four years. He is a comrade in Swigart Post, No. 116, Grand Army of the Republic, and is one of its past commanders. Mr. and Mrs. Archart have four children, named as follows in the order of their birth: Lloyd, May, John and Don.

Mr. Archart is in all things a representative, progressive citizen, successful in his chosen vocation, intelligently conversant with public affairs and patriotically devoted to the best interests of his township, county, state and country. His interest in public education is especially strong and in his

official capacity he did all in his power to raise the standard of public education in Monroe township. He has always been a liberal supporter of all measures tending to the enhancement of the public welfare and his helpfulness to churches has been generous.