

FAMILY OF JOHN JOSHUA RHODES.

15. **JOHN JOSHUA RHODES,**⁴ John,⁵ William,² Thomas.¹ He and his brother Joseph went to Ontario, C. W., 1826? He married Abby Jaue Secor, 1828. He married second Pamela Wilson, November 27, 1830, at St. Thomas, C. W. He learned wheelwrighting, and 1830, with Joseph, built sawmill and woolen works at Jordan? C. W. At time of Patriot war their house was searched for arms. Once they were ordered to drill, but refused. On the way to jail they made the guard drunk, so they escaped. John Joshua Rhodes, 1839, moved to Roscoe, Ill., bought farm 160 acres and built sawmill. Generous and public spirited, ardent friend of temperance and religion, no drinks or tobacco. For six years Supervisor, served as Justice of Peace and in other offices. He possessed the highest esteem of all. Shortly before death accepted Christ as his Savior. Died February 2, 1859, tumor. His wife was a shouting Methodist, faithful to church and family. Died January 4, 1869.

CHILDREN.

- 158. **WILLIAM RHODES,**⁵ born December 2, 1833.
- 159. **HIRAM W. RHODES,**⁵ born November 19, 1835.
- 160. **THOMAS RHODES,**⁵ born June 27, 1838; died November 20, 1895, heart trouble, Moberly, Mo.
- 161. **JOHN MILTON RHODES,**⁵ born August 25, 1840.
- 162. **MARY LOUISA RHODES,**⁵ born 1842; died 1849.
- 163. **LAURA JANE RHODES,**⁵ born June 20, 1845.
- 164. **HENRY ALFRED RHODES,**⁵ born March 5, 1848.

158. **WILLIAM RHODES,**⁵ John J.,⁴ John,⁵ William,² Thomas.¹ 1854 visited relatives Ontario and New York; 1856 builder at Charles City, Iowa. Finished his sawmill at Fertile, Worth County, Iowa, 1857. No settlers within ten miles. Indian neighbors. July 5, 1858, married Hannah Pierce (born March 11, 1839). August, 1862, enlisted 32d Iowa Infantry. Discharged August, 1865. (Sorry that he refused to give his army record.) Built flouring mill, 1871. Changed mill to roller plan, 1885. Operates mill with son, John Fenton Rhodes. With wife member Methodist Episcopal Church. Republican. Held in highest estimation for all Christian virtues.