

**CUMMINGS, WILLIAM C.,**

**DR.**, physician ; born in Otsego Co., N. Y., Oct. 22, 1829. After receiving his education, he graduated at Geneva, N. Y., and practiced his profession at Great Bend, Susquehanna Co., and also in Broome Co., near Binghamton, for several years ; then attended a medical college at Albany and graduated again, and came to Iowa and located for a short time at Eddyville, and then located near Oskaloosa. Upon the breaking-out of the rebellion, he was among the first to offer his services to the Government ; all of his father's family were extreme Seymour Democrats, and he was the only Republican, and the only one of the family name that was loyal to the Government during the war. He was appointed First Assist. Surgeon of the 10th I. V. I., and had not been out ten days before he was made Brigade Surgeon ; on account of ill health he was obliged to return home ; then went in the field again ; was detailed and had charge of General Hospital at Corinth ; he was in the service eighteen months, and it cost him over \$800 more than he received ; after the war, he returned to Oskaloosa, and came here in 1865, and since then he has practiced his profession here. Married Miss Mary Lounsbery, from Windsor, N. Y., in 1852 ; they have two children — William C. and Ben Franklin ; lost one daughter in infancy.