

MAXWELL, Charles B.

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1878 History of Jasper County)

Merchant, Clyde; firm of BALDWIN & MAXWELL; large general store consisting of a well assorted stock of dry goods, boots and shoes, groceries, hardware, agricultural implements, etc.; also a dealer and shipper in grain and live stock. Born in Delphi, Carroll Co., Ind., Oct. 4, 1838. He came to Iowa in 1856, and has since principally followed the mercantile business. He located in Clyde in July 1866. He married Hattie E. HIGLEY in Iowa in 1868. She was born in Hiram, Portage Co., Ohio, July 11, 1846. They have two children - Veva H. and Edwin H. He owns a fine house and six lots in Clyde, and is a partner in the firm of BALDWIN & MAXWELL. They have three stores doing a large trade; branch at Colo, on the N. W. Ry., and Cambridge, and one at Iowa Center; also having a large stock and grain trade in the four mentioned places. Mr. MAXWELL enlisted in Co. E, 3d I. V. I., June 8, 1861; received two slight wounds in the arm and leg and was discharged by reason of physical disability after serving one year; in the battles of Pittsburg Landing and Shiloh, and several small battles. Mr. MAXWELL had his former residence and contents destroyed by fire Feb. 3, 1875; was insured in the Hawkeye Company of Des Moines for \$2,050 and received \$2,000 in cash and he rebuilt on the same grounds and now has his place well ornamented with fruit and ornamental trees. Are members of the M. E. Church.

Chapter XXXVII

CLEAR CREEK TOWNSHIP

Past and Present of Jasper County Iowa

B.F. Bowden & Company, Indianapolis, IN, 1912

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THE VILLAGE OF CLYDE

This little hamlet was for many years a useful adjunct to the people of this township. It is situated on section 11 of a small branch of Indian Creek, less than two miles from the north line of the county. It is about fifteen miles from Newton and twelve from Colfax, while it is but twelve miles south of Colo, Story County.

Maxwell & Company started a general store here in 1868; in the autumn of 1874 the Methodist Episcopal denomination erected a church here at a cost of two thousand five hundred dollars. In 1878 the hamlet had a dry goods store and three shops, with about fifteen or twenty dwelling houses.

It was at this point in February 1875, that during a fearful storm, the residence of Charles B. Maxwell caught fire and was totally destroyed, causing a loss of four thousand four hundred dollars, one half of which was covered by insurance. Clyde is still only a small trading point.