

Carl Heinrich Schmidt 9th WI Infantry, Company B

Born: September 30, 1835 in Luebbecke, Westphalia, Germany

Enlisted: September 6, 1861 as a 1st Sergeant, from Manitowoc, WI, 24 year-old Printer, 5'8", blue eyes, light hair.

Intra Regimental Company Transfers: May 1, 1862 from Company K to Company B
January 1, 1863 from Company B to Company G

Promotion: January 1, 1863 to 2nd Lieutenant of Company G

Discharge: Date and method not given

1868-69 Edward's Directory of Village of Manitowoc: Schmidt Carl H., editor, Nord Westen, r. Washington, bet. 7th and 8th

1875-76 Manitowoc City Directory: Schmidt, Carl H., editor Nord Westen, 22nd north of Marshall

History of Northern Wisconsin, Vol II. Chicago: Western Historical Pub. Co., 1881, p. 532: "CARL H. SCHMIDT Proprietor of the Nord-Westen (German newspaper), Manitowoc, came to this place in December, 1854, then nineteen years old, having been born in Luebbecke, Province of Westphalia, in Prussia. Being a printer by trade, he was engaged as foreman in the printing office of the Demokrat (German) and the Tribune, both printed in the same office. This position he occupied till July 5, 1855, when he bought the material for the establishment of the Nord-Westen, and issued the first number of this paper on the 5th of September, 1855, being less than twenty years of age, and only a little over a year in America. He continued the publication of the Nord-Westen till November 1860, when he sold the material to a company, who published the Union newspaper. After arranging his business matters, Mr. Schmidt entered the army, enlisting Sept. 6, 1861, in Company B, 9th Wis. Inf., and was promoted to first sergeant of said company, a position which he held with an interruption of four months, till March 10, 1863, when he was promoted to second lieutenant. In November, 1863, he was promoted to first lieutenant, and in October, 1864, to captain, and was mustered out of service with his company, Dec. 30, 1864. He was at the battle of Newtonia, Mo., Sept. 30, 1862, and Prairie Grove, Ark., Dec. 7, 1862, and served one year, from November 1863, to November 1864, as acting regimental quartermaster. Returning from the army, Mr. Schmidt repurchased the printing material formerly owned by him, and in February, 1865, resumed the publication of the Nord-Westen, which he continues yet. In 1867, he was elected a Trustee of the village of Manitowoc; in 1869, a member of the Assembly; in 1870-72 a Senator; in 1877-76, Alderman and Supervisor; and in 1878, a Justice of the Peace, refusing re-election in 1880, and has not been a candidate for office



since."

1885 Soldiers & Sailors of the Late War, Residing in Wisconsin, 1885: Carl H Schmidt, Captain, F 9 WI, Post Office Manitowoc

Died: January 7, 1888

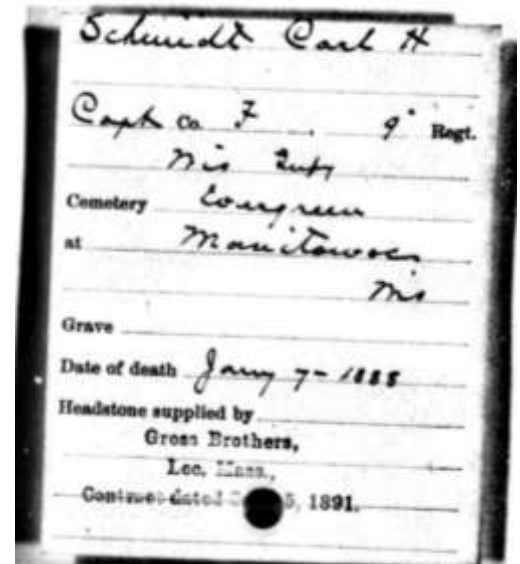
Buried: Evergreen Cemetery, Manitowoc, WI

Gravesite: E2-39-4: "Capt./C.H. Schmidt/Co. F./9th Wis. Inf."

Carl H. Schmidt/geboren/30 Sept. 1835/starb/7 Jan. 1888, (cause: Dropsy)

Soldiers' And Citizens' Album, Biographical Record, Grand Army Of The Republic, 1888 P 437-8:

CARL H. SCHMIDT, deceased, formerly a resident at Manitowoc, Wis., and a soldier of the civil war, was born September 30, 1835 in Luebbecke, Westphalia, Germany. On coming to America in 1854, he located at Manitowoc, and in 1855 established Der Nord Westen, a German weekly newspaper, which he conducted until his entered the army for the Union. He enlisted September 6, 1861, in Company B, 9th Wisconsin Infantry, at Manitowoc, and was made 1st Sergeant on the organization of his company. Jan. 1, 1863, he was commissioned 2nd Lieutenant of Company G and was afterwards transferred to Company F. May 11, 1864, he was made 1st Lieutenant of Company F and , August 31st following, was made Captain and was discharged Dec. 3, 1864, on the expiration of his period of service. Captain Schmidt was engaged with his regiment in all its experiences throughout three years of service, and was in the fights at Newtonia, Cane Hill, Prairie Grove, and in numberless other varieties of service which receive neither recognition nor mention in history or dispatches. At the time of the Red River expedition he was acting as quartermaster and was in charge of the supply depot at Little Rock, Ark. When the news of the retreat and the starved condition of the troops was received, Capt. Schmidt started out with a supply train and met the regiment to relieve the wants of the men just after the battle at Jenkins Ferry. On his return to Manitowoc, he resumed his connection with journalism and was actively engaged in pushing the interests of the German newspaper which he had founded. In 1869, he was elected member of the Assembly of Wisconsin from his District, and in 1870 and 1872 was elected to the State Senate. He served in both capacities with distinction to himself and credit to the judgement of his constituency. In 1885, he was elected County Judge of Manitowoc county in which he served until his death, Jan. 7, 1888. He is survived by his wife and five children-Emil, C. Otto, Carl, Arthur and Walter. The record of Judge Schmidt is one that supplies an evidence of the quality of the spirit with which he sustained his relations to the affairs of his adopted country in peace and war. He was liberally educated in his native country and brought to this country his abilities and ambitions, which he exercised in the avenues best calculated to incorporate him with our institutions and the element to which he was allied by birth and kinship."



Headstones Provided for Deceased Union Civil War Veterans, 1879-1903

1890 Veterans Schedule, Manitowoc County: Carl Schmidt (deceased) Bertha (widow) Sergeant 9 B, post office Manitowoc