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LEAVITT, E. J.

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E. J. Leavitt was born September 14, 1829 in Rockingham county, New Hampshire. In 1845, he went to Chicopee, where he studied music. Later he continued his music work in Boston, Massachusetts.

In 1855, E. J. Leavitt located at Milwaukee, Wisconsin where he was a music teacher until 1861. Then he entered the army and served as a Band instructor until 1865. He returned to Wisconsin where he engaged as a Band instructor until 1870. He then moved to Minneapolis.

In 1871, E. J. Leavitt moved to Sauk Rapids where he engaged in the hardware business. He disposed of this in 1875 and took a claim in Morrison county.

In December, 1880, E. J. Leavitt moved to Sauk Centre. In March, 1881, he engaged in the furniture business.

1858, E. J. Leavitt married Mary Carpenter of Michigan. They had six children, five of whom were living in 1881. They are Olive, Mary, Ernest, Vera and Justina.

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