

died here in 1890 and later Mr. Marlow retired from active business, taking up his abode in Decorah four or five years prior to his death, which here occurred in August, 1905. His entire life had been devoted to farming and he was the owner of three hundred and fifty-five acres of rich and arable land on sections 21 and 28, Canoe township. He built a large brick residence here and carefully tilled the fields and cultivated his crops, converting his place into a valuable property. He took an active interest in politics and gave his support to the democratic party, but did not seek nor desire office as a reward for party fealty. Unto him and his wife were born five children: Chauncy and John S., both of whom died in childhood; Josie L., who passed away in 1911; Nora, living in Decorah; and Charles C.

The last named was reared to the occupation of farming, dividing his time during the period of his boyhood and youth between the work of the fields, the duties of the schoolroom and the pleasures of the playground. He became familiar with the most practical and effective methods of tilling the soil and so was well qualified to carry on farming on his own account when he started out in life independently. He has always resided upon what is known as the old Marlow homestead and is the owner of one hundred and fifty-five acres of his father's estate and also secured eighty acres which had belonged to his sister, recently deceased. This farm was well improved by Edward G. Marlow and the further work of development has been conducted by his son, Charles C, who today ranks with the leading and energetic agriculturists of the community.

In 1891 Mr. Marlow was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Brichner, who was born in Decorah, December 29, 1869, a daughter of Henry I. and Julia (Shank) Brichner. The father was born in York, Pennsylvania, January 17, 1832, and the mother's birth occurred in Berkeley county, West Virginia, June 28, 1834. They were married there and in 1858 arrived in Iowa, residing in Decorah until 1871, when they took up their abode on the farm in Canoe township which was their place of residence for twenty-five years. They then returned to Decorah in 1896 and Mr. Brichner passed away there February 17, 1907. The widow still resides in Decorah. The father was a carpenter, builder and farmer. He served for three years as a soldier of the Civil war, enlisting from this county as a member of Company E, Thirty-Eighth Iowa Volunteer Infantry. In days of peace he was equally loyal to his country and was faithful to every cause which he espoused. He held membership in the Methodist Episcopal church and he gave his political support to the republican party. Unto him and his wife were born nine children: Virginia, who is the widow of William McKraney and resides in Dubuque; John Henry, a ranchman of Nebraska; Edward G., a mail clerk of St. Paul; Hattie, who became the wife of H. S. Smith and died in 1911; Mrs. Marlow; Anna, the wife of John Beucher, living in Lincoln township; Sidney E., a resident farmer of Glenwood township; Grace Ruth, the wife of F. A. Ruth, a resident farmer of Canoe township; and Clement R., a lineman of Sparta, Wisconsin. Mr. and Mrs. Marlow have become the parents of seven children, Clifford, Ina, Leon, Blanche, Grace, Dorothy and Charlie, all of whom are living with the exception of Grace, who died at the age of six years. The fact that Charles C. Marlow has been a lifelong resident of Winneshiek county indicates the attractiveness and opportunities of this section of the state, for he is an ambitious and energetic man and