

## Col. Henry L. Giltner

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**G**ILTNER, COL. HENRY L., son of Michael and Mary (Lyter) Giltner, was born June 5, 1829, at Carrollton, Kentucky. His parents were of German origin, and both natives of Bourbon County, in this State. His father was a farmer by pursuit. Col. Giltner was educated at Carrollton, and in Hanover College, Indiana. After leaving school, he had charge of, and owned, the ferry at Carrollton. In 1858, he was elected Sheriff of Carroll County; was re-elected in 1860, but resigned in 1861, and entered the Confederate army, as a private, in the Buckner Guards, at Munfordsville; in the Fall of that year, he was sent to Virginia, and became aid-de-camp to Gen. Humphrey Marshall; in 1862, returned to Kentucky, recruited a regiment of men, and, in October, joined Marshall's brigade. His regiment was designated as the Fourth Kentucky Cavalry. In the Summer of 1863, he succeeded to the command of Gen. Preston's (formerly Gen. Marshall's) brigade, and was brevetted brigadier; shortly afterwards, from the necessities of the service, this brigade was dispersed, he going in command of his old regiment, the Fourth Kentucky Cavalry, to the assistance of Gen. William E. Jackson, in East Tennessee; subsequently, served as a colonel, under Gen. John S. Williams, and, after Williams was removed from the command, became commander of Williams's brigade, which position he held until the close of the war, surrendering his forces at Mt. Sterling, April 30, 1865. He was engaged in the battles of Lime-stone Depot and Big Creek, East Tennessee; was at the siege of Knoxville, and covered the rear of the retreating army; was in the engagement at Crockett's Cove, West Virginia; was in two actions at Blue Springs, Tennessee, and at Raytown, in that State; was in engagements at Mt. Sterling and Cynthiana, and numerous less important actions. At the close of the war, he returned to his home, at Carrollton, where he has since chiefly resided, engaged in carrying on the marble business, and as a farmer. Religiously, he is Presbyterian in his inclinations, although not a Church member. He is a Democrat in politics. Col. Giltner was married, December 4, 1856, to Martha G. Young, daughter of Capt. William E. Young, who commanded Company E, in Col. R. M. Johnson's regiment, in the war of 1812. They have three living children.