

of the time on the farm, until 1836, when he commenced life for himself. On March 2, 1837, he was married to Elizabeth, daughter of Martin Smith, of Shelby County. He continued farming until 1855, when he came to Crooked Creek Township, Jasper County, and purchased some partially improved wild land in Section 6. In 1857, his wife died. He was next married, on March 2, 1858, to Rose Ann Huffcut (a widow with one child, Sylvia), daughter of Isaac and Maria D. (Neely) Hedges, of Cumberland County, Ill. He is still living on the farm he first purchased. His farm has all the modern improvements. Since 1836, Mr. Conner has been a member of the Christian Church. His father died in Shelby County, Ind., on July 8, 1841; his mother in the same county, on December 14, 1847. His wife was born in Fairfield County, Ohio, in 1837; her father died in July, 1846, in Cumberland County, Ill.

GEORGE S. CONNER, son of Daniel and Rebecca (Smith) Conner, was born in Fayette County, Ind., on January 17, 1825. His parents moved to Indiana when it was a territory, in 1812. George attended school some and cleared land, until he was fourteen years old, when his father moved to Shelby County, Ind., where he farmed, and where his father died in 1841, and his mother in 1848. On April 2, 1849, he married Jane, daughter of Benjamin Davee, of Shelby County, Ind. To them were born nine children, only one of whom, Alice M., is living. In 1855, he came to Jasper County, Ill., and purchased 120 acres of prairie land, and improved it. His wife dying January 16, 1876, on October 26, 1876, he married for his second wife Ruminta A., daughter of William W. Ballard, of Darke County, Ohio. Four children have been born to them, two of whom, Cora E., and Nellie M., are living. Mr. Conner now owns and occupies a fine farm of 400 acres, and as good a house as there is in the township. He is a general farmer, and deals in stock quite extensively. In politics he is a Republican, and was a true friend to the soldier of the late war. His uncle, John Conner, was a soldier of the Revolution, his grandfather Smith, a minute-man, was killed by the Tories, and his wife's great-grandfather, a soldier in the same war. Mr. Conner and wife are both members of the Christian Church, and are very highly esteemed by all who know them.

JONATHAN COWGER, son of Michael and Catherine (Eye) Cowger, of Kentucky, was born in Highland County, Ohio, November 4, 1807. About 1824 the family moved to Rush County, Ind., where, in Christmas week of 1830, our subject married Sarah Birt, daughter of William Birt. He farmed for a time in Crawford and

Marion counties, Ind., then came to this county, and in 1853, to this township. He has twice been elected Highway Commissioner, and cast his first vote for Andrew Jackson. He has had born to him fourteen children—John B., James M., Mary A., Elizabeth, William T., Jonathan B., an infant daughter (deceased), Milton S., Martha (deceased), Sarah J., Charlotte (deceased), Phebe, Henry H. and David S. (deceased). Four of the sons served during the late war. Milton S. Cowger was born in Rush County, Ind., March 9, 1844, was reared on his father's farm and was educated in Marion County, Ind., until the family came to this county, where he enlisted in Company K, Twenty-First Illinois Volunteer Infantry. He took part in the battles of Stone River, Chickamauga, Atlanta, Franklin, Nashville, and in all the other engagements of his regiment. February 26, 1864, he was discharged, but re-enlisted in the same company and was appointed Sergeant. He was honorably discharged in January, 1866, and in April, 1867, he married Martha J. McDaniel, who bore him three children—Charles H. (deceased), Anna M. and Jonathan E. (deceased). October 9, 1875, Mrs. Cowger died; October 14, 1877, Mr. Cowger married Leonora J. Stebbins, daughter of Dennis and Jane Stebbins, and to this union have been born two children—Milton O. and Flora J. (deceased). Mr. C. was elected Town Clerk in 1877, and April 12, 1878, was appointed postmaster at Rose Hill, which position he still holds. In 1879, he was made General Agent for the P., D. & E. R. R. and agent for the Adams and Pacific Express Companies in 1880. He is a Master Mason, is a member of the G. A. R., owns his home in the village and a fine farm in the vicinity.

JOHN B. COWGER, son of Jonathan and Sarah (Birt) Cowger, was born in Rush County, Ind., December 4, 1831, moved with his father to Marion County, Ind., and came with him to this county. He was reared a farmer and was educated in Indiana. September 28, 1856, he married Nancy A. McDaniel, daughter of John and Margaret (Freiks) McDaniel. He has four living children born to this union—Mary A., Jonathan Sherman, Ellen J. and Ollie M. After marriage he settled on his farm on Section 32, taught school in the winter of 1860, and in June, 1861, enlisted in Company K, Twenty-First Illinois Volunteer Infantry. He fought at Frederickstown, Corinth, Perryville, Stone River, Dalton, Resaca and Altoona Pass. On account of night-blindness and neuralgia, from which he lost the sight of his left eye and almost lost that of the right, he was discharged in September, 1864, at Springfield, Ill., and

returned to his home, but is able to do very little work. He and wife are members of the United Brethren Church, and in politics he is a Republican.

JAMES CUMMINS was born in Edgar County, Ill., August 19, 1833, and is the son of Robert and Edith (Price) Cummins, born in Harrison County, Ky. They came to Edgar County, Ill., in about the year 1830, and entered land on which he farmed; but in 1838 he moved to Crooked Creek Township, Jasper County, and settled on Section 34, where he died in 1844. James went to school in the primitive log schoolhouse, in the winter, and worked on the farm in the summer seasons of his early youth. On the old farm, on January 2, 1853, he married Rebecca, daughter of Alexander White, of Cumberland County, Ill. To this union were born twelve children; three sets of twins in succession, viz.: Joseph A., George J., Rosetta B. (deceased), Martha R., Robert R., Edith S., Ada A. and Emma L. (twins), John F. and Francis M. (twins), James F. and William W. (twins). After his marriage he located on a fine farm of 340 acres (a portion of the old home farm), in Section 34, and in 1878 built a fine house and out-buildings. He is a general farmer, and deals largely in stock. Mr. Cummins has resided in this township forty-five years, and is well and favorably known throughout the county, of which he was Supervisor for five consecutive terms. He is a Master Mason of the Newton Lodge, No. 216; takes a deep interest in the church and Sabbath-school and is at the present actively engaged in building a church, the means for which being mostly furnished by him. His wife is a member of the United Brethren Church; he attends. Mr. C.'s good old mother died on September 28, 1882.

JOHN CUMMINS, son of Daniel and Dolly (Johnson) Cummins, was born in North Carolina in 1807. He worked on the home farm until fourteen years old, when his father died. He then managed the place for his mother. In 1827 he married Mary Morgan, who bore him two children—Sidney and Cenia. In 1830 he moved to Henry County, Ind., where his wife died a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. About 1832 he married Eliza Kibler, who became the mother of eleven children—Jacob, William Daniel, Sarah L. (deceased), John F., Eva M., Reuben (who, with one of his children, was killed by lightning while returning home from the harvest field in 1883), Mary E., Susan, Emma, Charles and Richard W. William Daniel was born in Henry County, Ind., November 19, 1837, and was brought to this county

by his father in 1838. In June, 1853, he married Elizabeth Strong, who bore him four children, all now deceased. Mr. C. was legally separated from his wife, and in 1860 married Sarah J. McGahan, who has borne one child, now dead. At the breaking out of the war Mr. C. enlisted in the Ninety-Seventh Illinois Volunteer Infantry, but soon after going to the front was taken ill and was discharged. He has served as Constable twelve years and has been a School Director. He is a Master Mason, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is a Democrat. He is now a clerk in a general store, and also keeps the only house of public entertainment in the village of Rose Hill. Mrs. C. is a member of the United Brethren Church.

JOHN F. CUMMINS, the third son of John and Eliza Cummins, was born in Crooked Creek Township, Jasper County, Ill., March 11, 1840, attended the Christman school in winter, and when but a mere youth was employed in breaking prairie, driving four yoke of oxen. At the age of twenty he went to Coles County to farm. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company E, Ninety-Seventh Illinois Volunteer Infantry, but, as he was quite delicate, was unable to bear the fatigues of a soldier's life, and was discharged from the hospital at Memphis after a short service. In August, 1863, he married Henrietta A. Fawcett, daughter of John H. Fawcett, an early settler of Vigo County, Ind., and settled down to farming in Crooked Creek. To his union have been born seven children—Mary A., William M. (deceased), Emery V., Claibourne R., Frank M., John B. (deceased) and Eva E. (deceased). In 1880 he served as Census Enumerator for this township, and he is now the special agent for the Rockford (Ill.) Fire Insurance Co. He resides upon his farm of seventy acres, but his health is too poor to admit of his performing farm labor. He and his family are all members of the United Brethren Church, of which he has been steward, class leader, Sunday-school superintendent and trustee.

CAPT. ROBERT S. CUMMINS was born in Kentucky, February 10, 1845, and is the son of Moses and Rebecca A. (Scott) Cummins, also natives of Kentucky. He was reared on his father's farm until the breaking out of the late war. In 1862 he entered Company I, Ninth Kentucky Volunteer Infantry, Confederate States of America, and was commissioned Captain. At the battle of Hartsville, Tenn., he was wounded in the left thigh and side, and at Chickamauga was badly injured in the head and neck. After his recovery he rejoined his command, remained with it until Johnston's

surrender, then came to Illinois, where, December 31, 1865, he married Lena Cummins, daughter of John Cummins, of Edgar County. He then returned to his old Kentucky home, and in 1876 came back to Edgar County. Three years later he settled on Sections 28 and 29, this township, on a fine farm of 140 acres. He was elected Township Collector for 1882, is a Master Mason of Stratton Lodge No. 408, and a Democrat. He and wife are members of the Baptist Church, and parents of four children—John W., Dora L., Lillie M. and Moses S.

JAMES H. DAVISON was born in Clermont County, Ohio, December 15, 1806, and is the son of Robert and Florence (Hamilton) Davison. Robert Davison was born in Ireland, but was brought to America when only six months old, was reared in Pennsylvania and there married Miss F. Hamilton, a native of that State. James H. Davison was educated in the old fashioned log schoolhouse, and worked on the home farm until September 20, 1827, when he married Elizabeth Davison, daughter of John and Isabel (Hamilton) Davison. He learned coopering, and worked at that trade in and near Milford, Ohio, until 1845; then moved to Indiana, where he farmed until 1850; then sold out and came to this township where he purchased 160 acres in Section 1, where he carries on general farming and raises some stock. He became the father of eleven children, of whom five are living—Isabel, Robert H., James F., John and Hester L. Mr. Davison and family are all members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in politics he is a Republican. His son, Robert H. Davison, was a soldier in Company E, Ninety-Seventh Illinois Volunteer Infantry, and after taking part in all the battles of his regiment was honorably discharged in July, 1865. He is now at the home of his parents, and is acting as general agent, teacher and examiner for Prof. G. S. Rice's Lightning International Music Teaching System, with a branch office at Hidalgo.

DR. JAMES F. DAVISON, son of James H. Davison, was born in Clermont County, Ohio, July 12, 1840, attended the county school and after coming to Illinois, worked on the home farm until eighteen years old. He then read medicine with Dr. F. Tevis, of Lawrence County, Ill. He also taught school in Cumberland County, at the same time keeping up his studies with Dr. T. At twenty-two, he commenced practice, having graduated from the Kansas Eclectic Medical Examining Board, under Surgeon-General Winans, and being endorsed by the Illinois State Board of Health. October 13, 1861, he married Helen M. Tevis, daughter of Dr. Fletcher and Lucy S. (Day)

Tevis, and to his union were born eight children—Alice F., Charles E., Lillie May, John F., Albert, Robert O., Francis M. and George N. The doctor farms forty acres in this township, on Section 1, and has an extensive practice in his profession.

JOHN DAVISON, son of James H. Davison, was born in Clermont County, Ohio, February 3, 1842; moved with his father's family to Indiana, and to this township in 1850. He was here reared until about seventeen, when he went to Mattoon, where he worked in a cooper shop. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company E., Ninety-Seventh Illinois Volunteer Infantry, and took part in the following battles: Chickasaw Bayou, Arkansas Post, Port Gibson, Champion Hills, Black River Bridge, siege of Vicksburg, Jackson, and Fort Blakely, and was stationed at different posts until his discharge July 29, 1865. On his return, he went to cultivating his farm of one hundred acres, on Section 1, this township, October 3, 1871, he married Beersheba Bailey, daughter of James and Emily (Bartlett) Bailey, of Madison County, Ind. Two children were born to their union—Florinda (deceased) and Alfarata. Mr. Davison is a Republican in politics, is a member of Rose Hill Post, No. 158, G. A. R., and his wife is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

HENRY H. ELDER was born in Rush County, Ind., February 27, 1839, and is the son of Andrew and Mary (Little) Elder, natives respectively of Tennessee and Long Island, N. Y. These parents were among the first settlers of Rush County, and the patent to the land they there entered, bears the signature of President Jackson. At the age of twenty-two, Henry H. Elder moved to Shelby County, Ind., became a barber, married Mary E. Poss, a widow with one child—Emma, and had born to him two children—Harry A. and Katie J. He resided in Shelby County about twelve years, then in Effingham about a year, and then came to Rose Hill, where he built the first dwelling ever erected in the village, and for a time worked in the stave factory. In 1883, he and Silas Little started the only cabinet and furniture store in Rose Hill. Mr. Elder is a member of the I. O. O. F., and of the Order of Red Men, and he and wife are members of the Christian Church. In politics, he is a Democrat.

DAVID HAMMER (deceased) was the son of F. J. Hammer, and was born in Preble County, Ohio, January 23, 1822. In 1838, he came to this township with his father, who was a millwright, and put up the first mill built in Crooked Creek. At this mill and on the farm, our subject was employed until May 11, 1845, when he married Rebecca J., daughter of David and Adaline (Cooper) Fawcett,

of Virginia. Her father joined the conference of the United Brethren Church, in 1837, was a traveling preacher, and died, October 4, 1845. Her mother died in Indiana, December 5, 1836. After his marriage, David Hammer settled in this township on a farm. He had five children born to him, viz.: Albert, Mary (deceased), John C., Emma, (deceased) and Eva, and departed this life, September 25, 1859, leaving his family well provided for. His widow was married, October 3, 1872, to Rev. Ephraim Shuey, a widower with seven children—James F., Louisa A., (now deceased) Ephraim E., John R., (deceased) Martha A., William H. and Walton S. Mr. Shuey was born in Virginia, January 8, 1814, and is the son of John and Catherine (Funkhouser) Shuey. John Shuey died in Vigo County, Ind., September 29, 1853, a consistent member of the United Brethren Church since boyhood. His widow, a member of the same church for over fifty years, died January 31, 1866. Ephraim Shuey united with the United Brethren Church when sixteen years old, and began to preach while living in Vigo County. In 1848, he moved to Clark County, Ill., and in 1852, to Cumberland County, where his wife died September 16, 1871, and after his marriage to Mrs. Hammer, settled on her fine farm on Section 28, this township. His sons, James F. and Ephraim E., were members of the One Hundred and Twenty-Third Illinois Volunteer Infantry. Mr. Shuey continues to preach, and he is also a skillful farmer.

WILLIAM W. HAYS was born March 23, 1833, in Logan County, Ohio, and is the son of James and Rebecca J. (Smith) Hays, natives respectively of Pennsylvania and Virginia, and early settlers of Logan County. In the fall of 1840, the family came to this township, bought land, and William was set to work breaking up sod with a wooden mold-board plow. He was educated in a log school-house, the first built in the township, and reared on the farm. In April, 1865, he married Sarah Kellar, daughter of David Kellar, who bore him two children—George E. and John W., and died in 1868. In March, 1871, he married Amanda Helen, a widow with one child—Charles F. She died in April, 1877, and February 20, 1879, he married Mahala J. Gunning, a widow with one child—Lola M. To this last marriage have been born three children, of whom two are living—Elmer and Ezra E. Mr. Hays is a Democrat, and has served as School Director, Trustee, Township Treasurer, Collector, and in 1880, was again elected School Trustee.

ELIJAH R. HEATH was born in Hunterdon County, N. J., March 12, 1835, and is the son of George D. and Mary (Heath) Heath,

also natives of Hunterdon County. Elijah R. Heath attended school nine months in the year, until eighteen, studied a year at the university at Lewisburgh, Penn., taught school about a year in New Jersey, and in 1855, moved to Montgomery County, Ohio, where he taught for twelve years. April 3, 1860, he married Louisa W. Ballard, daughter of William W. Ballard, of Ithaca, Ohio. Two children, Belle and Lillie, have been born to their union. In 1867, Mr. Heath moved to Indiana; was in a flouring-mill until 1869, then came to this township and farmed on land he had previously purchased in Section 4, sold, and purchased a farm in Cumberland County, on which he lived eleven years, and then rented out and came to Hidalgo, where he is now keeping a general store. He is station agent for the P., D. & E. R. R., agent for the Adams and Pacific Express Companies, buys and ships grain, and has handled as many as thirty-five wagon loads of wheat in one day. He is a Mason, an Odd Fellow, a Republican, and has been a School Trustee. His grandfather Richard Heath, was a private, his grand-uncle, John Heath, a Captain, and his great grand-uncle, William Heath, a Brigadier-General in the Revolutionary War.

WILLIAM HUNT, son of Stephanus and Elizabeth (Coffin) Hunt, was born in Fayette County, Ohio, on March 4, 1818. He received a common school education in a pioneer schoolhouse, worked on a farm at intervals, and in his father's blacksmith and carpenter shop, until March 13, 1836, when he was married to Margaret, daughter of John and Tebetha (Morgan) Timmons. They have had ten children, four of whom are living, viz.; Nathan S., Uriah E., Mary D., and Sarah A. In 1838, he, with his father, and all of the Hunt family, the Hutsons, the Cummins, the Vannattas, the Hammers, and others, formed a colony, and settled in what is now Crooked Creek Township. They came here on September 24, 1838, entered and cleared land, and commenced the life of pioneer farmers of the then far West. Our subject, after enduring all the trials, and hardships, and privations of a pioneer life, until, on September 26, 1852, he died, very highly esteemed by all. He lost three sons in the Union Army, viz.: Francis, of Company G, Fifty-Fourth Illinois Infantry, deceased; Albert, died from disease contracted in the army, of Company G, Forty-Ninth Illinois Infantry, and James, a soldier in the regular army, died in Texas. Mr. Hunt left about 400 acres of good farm land to his widow, who is still living on the old home farm. Her granddaughter, Luzena Hunt, has the charge and management of the house for the good old lady in her declining years.

ELIHU HUTSON, son of William and Sarah (Hunt) Hutson, was born December 31, 1834, in Madison County, Ohio, the native county of his parents. In the fall of 1838, the family came to this county, and here Elihu Hutson was reared to farming. June 19, 1856, he married Elizabeth, daughter of David Kellar, and had born to him five children—Sarah J. (deceased), John W., Lydia A., William D. and Andrew T. In 1861, Mr. Hutson moved to Coles County, Ill., farmed there until 1867, then returned to this township, and here his wife died October 11, 1878, a member of the New Light Church. October 12, 1879, he married Sarah Carr, daughter of E. Brooks and a widow with four children—John O., Reuben E., Laura M. and Luella. To this last marriage have been born two children—Anna M. and Sarah O. Mr. Hutson's father was one of the earliest settlers of Crooked Creek, and was for several years a Justice of the Peace. He died June 7, 1883; his wife died February 15, 1838. The father had been a member of the New Light Church for over fifty years.

OLIVER R. JACKSON is a native of Hardin County, Ky., was born January 23, 1822, and is a son of John and Sarah (Price) Jackson. He attended the pioneer schools of the time, and in 1839 moved with his father's family to Crawford County, Ill., and afterward moved to Washington, Ind., where he learned the trade of a plasterer. Subsequently, he married Lucinda Elswae, who died September 13, 1851, having borne one child, now deceased. Mr. Jackson thereafter returned to Crawford County, Ill., where he followed his trade for a livelihood, and February 16, 1855, wedded Lovina Stamm, which marriage produced ten children, of which number five are living—Alvin L., Rosa B., Franklin, Lyman E. and Stephen. In 1857, Mr. Jackson removed to Saint Marie Township, Jasper County, and later, in 1869, to Crooked Creek Township, where he purchased eighty acres of timber land and cleared the same, which is now in good cultivation. He is engaged in general farming and working at his trade. Mr. Jackson is a valuable and esteemed citizen, and Mrs. Jackson is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

JUDGE JAMES E. JAMES (deceased), the son of William and Elizabeth (McMullen) James, was born in Jennings County, Ind., in June, 1816. His parents were poor but highly respectable, and belonged to the society known as Shakers. At the age of eleven he lost his father; his mother then withdrew from the Shaker society, and with her children resided on a farm until her death. Mr. James

then went to Edgar County, Ill., where, October 21, 1838, he married Jane, daughter of James and Elizabeth Duck, of Kentucky. In 1839, he entered forty acres of land in this township, and his was the fifth family to settle here. He put up a cabin, and, as it had taken all his money to pay for his land, he was for some time without chairs or table, but he was a man of energy and resources, and soon furnished his cabin with furniture of his own manufacture. He added to his farm from time to time, and could soon count his acres by the hundred, and built himself as comfortable a farm-house as existed in those early days. He had born to him thirteen children, of whom eight are still living, viz.: William H., Sarah P., Lovisa A., Augustus, Mary, Gilbert, Laura and Alonzo C. One son, Cyrus, was a member of the Ninety-Seventh Illinois Infantry, was wounded at the battle of Vicksburg, and afterward died. In 1849, Mr. James was elected Associate Judge of Jasper County, and held office most of the time until his death. He was County Sheriff from 1856 until 1858; in 1864, he was elected Probate Judge for four years, and was twice re-elected. He was taken ill in 1869, and lingered until August 29, 1872, when he expired, highly respected and dearly beloved by all. He gave to each of his children a farm, and left to his widow the homestead of 300 acres, which is being superintended by her son, Alonzo C.

JOHN F. KIBLER, son of Reuben and Susan (Cummins) Kibler, was born in Crooked Creek Township, Jasper County, Ill., on December 29, 1847. In his early youth, he attended the common schools and worked on a farm. On November 6, 1870, he married Isadora, daughter of Reuben and Mary (Creamer) Carr, who was born in Crooked Creek Township on October 6, 1852. They have had six children, viz.: Eda Rozilla, born November 15, 1871 (now in her twelfth year, and weighs 182 pounds); Mary C., born April 19, 1873; Lydia S., November 10, 1874; John F., May 18, 1876; Reuben A., January 7, 1878, and Laura M., February 22, 1881. After his marriage he settled on eighty acres in Section 15, Crooked Creek Township, and now owns 282, the most of which being under cultivation. He occupies a very fine two-story frame house, which is considered one of the best in the township. Besides farming, he deals largely in stock. He is a member of the United Brethren, his wife of the New Light Church. In politics he is a Democrat.

WILLIAM T. KIBLER, brother of John F., was born in Crooked Creek Township, Jasper County, Ill., on June 20, 1850. He received his education at the common schools, and worked on a farm

during his youth. On December 20, 1877, he married Nancy, daughter of Daniel Davis, of Lawrence County, Ill. She was born on January 5, 1857, and she has borne her husband two children, viz.: William J., born October 8, 1878, and Edward M., born November 26, 1881. In Section 16 he has a good farm of 165 acres, all well improved, and occupies a fine house. Besides being a general farmer, he deals largely in cattle. The Kiblers are descendants of some of the first families that settled in this county, and are well liked and highly esteemed by all their acquaintances. William is a Democrat politically. He and his wife are both members of the United Brethren Church, he being a steward of the same. He gives with a liberal hand to all charitable and benevolent enterprises.

HARRISON KILBURN was the son of Benjamin C. and Priscilla (Farr) Kilburn, the father born in Kentucky, the mother in Pennsylvania. The father was a farmer, an early settler in Vigo County, Ind., and helped to build the first house ever erected in the town of Terre Haute, Ind. Harrison was born on December 6, 1840, and went to school and worked on a farm until the year 1851, when his father moved to Jasper County, Ill., and engaged in farming. On August 2, 1861, our subject enlisted in Company H, Thirty-Eighth Illinois Infantry. He participated in the battles of Fredericktown, Mo., Corinth, Perryville, Stone River, Knob Gap, and others. On October 22, 1863, he was transferred to the Signal Corps. He was then at the battles of Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Kenesaw Mountain, Rocky Face, Atlanta, and had the honor of carrying the flag of truce demanding the surrender of Charleston; was also at the Grand Review at Washington, D. C. He was discharged at Saint Louis, Mo., on September 7, 1865. While at home, on May 2, 1864, he was married to Nancy McCormick, daughter of Elijah McCormick, of Jasper County, Ill. One child has been born to them, viz.: Benjamin C. (deceased). After his discharge he settled in Clark County, Ill., and engaged in farming until 1881, when he came to Crooked Creek Township, Jasper County, purchased a home in the town of Rose Hill, where he is now living, being engaged in the fruit tree business. Mr. Kilburn has been Township Collector and Assessor. He is a member of the G. A. R., and in politics is a Democrat. His wife is a member of the Christian Church.

DR. WILLIAM M. KING was born in Harrison County, Ind., December 11, 1858, and is the son of Daniel and Elizabeth A. (Bruce) King, also natives of Indiana. He attended a subscription school three months in the year and worked on the home farm until 1868,

when the family came to this county. He attended the Normal School at Newton, and at the age of twenty read medicine with Dr. William O. Denman, studying for thirteen months, and then entered the Eclectic Medical Institute at Cincinnati, studied three terms, and on his graduating stood at 91.9 per cent. He located at Rose Hill, and now has an extensive and lucrative practice. April 16, 1882, he married Mary Hunt, daughter of Amaziah and Elizabeth (Gates) Hunt. He has permanently settled in Rose Hill, where he has purchased a home.

ANDREW J. LAKE, son of Lewis and Mary (Irvin) Lake, was born in Licking County, Ohio, on January 26, 1836, and during about three months in each year of his youth he attended school, being the remainder of the time employed on a farm. When a young man, and while on a visit to Indiana, he enlisted in Company D, Thirtieth Indiana Infantry, and served until the close of the late war. He participated in the battles of Perryville, Stone River, Murfreesboro, Chickamauga, Chattanooga, Mission Ridge, Kenesaw Mountain, Atlanta, Jonesboro, Franklin and Nashville. At the latter place he was discharged in January, 1866, when he returned to Ohio, and in the autumn of the same year came to Jasper County, Ill., and opened a general merchandise store, in the town of Harrisburg, Crooked Creek Township. On September 30, 1867, he married Lucinda, the widowed daughter of William Stroble. Two children have been born to them, viz.: Rebecca and Hattie E. In 1871, he sold his store and purchased a farm of 160 acres in Section 9, where he is now living, as a general farmer and stock-raiser. In politics he is a Republican. He and his wife are both members of the Presbyterian Church. Over his right eye he has a scar, from a slight wound he received while in the army.

JOHN T. LAND, son of William H. and Jance C. (Warren) Land, was born in Kentucky, January 15, 1832, and when four years of age was taken by his father to Decatur County, Ind., where he attended school and helped clear away the heavy timber until 1850, when his father sold the farm and entered land in this township. September 29, 1853, he married Nancy A., daughter of John and Sarah (Admire) Ellis, and to their union have been born eight children—six now living: Francis M., Sarah J., Abraham J., Jennie B., William F. and Alfretta. After his marriage he lived on his father's farm until 1855, when he moved to Missouri, where he was appointed a Justice of the Peace, and afterward elected for four years, but at the breaking out of the war resigned and returned to this

county, where he enlisted in August, 1862, in Company E, Ninety-Seventh Illinois Volunteer Infantry. He was in battle at Vicksburg, Arkansas Post, Big Black River and Champion Hills. In 1863 he was transferred to Company E, Ninth United States Invalid Corps, and was mustered out June 27, 1865. He heard Lincoln make his last public speech and was in Washington when he was assassinated. In the spring of 1877 he was elected Justice of the Peace, and was re-elected in 1881. He is a Democrat, a member of Rose Hill Post, No. 158, G. A. R., and he and wife are members of the Universalist Church.

JOHN W. LEE, son of Abbott and Belinda (Purcell) Lee, was born in Crooked Creek Township, May 6, 1838. Abbott Lee was born in Butler County, Ohio, came to Illinois in 1818, located in Lawrence County, where he was married, and soon after came to this county and engaged in farming. John W. Lee attended school and assisted on the home farm until June, 1861, when he enlisted in Company K, Twenty-First Illinois Volunteer Infantry. He was at the fight at Perryville, and at Stone River, in December, 1862, was wounded in the right leg, in consequence of which he received his discharge at Louisville in May, 1863. In October, 1864, he married Alice Stout, daughter of James Stout, of this county. Seven children have been born to him—Louisa, Laura, Perry, John W., Albert, Martha J. and an infant girl not named. Soon after his marriage, Mr. Lee, settled on a farm of 180 acres, on Section 30, this township; this he has increased to 200 acres, and furnished with fine improvements. He is a Master Mason and a member of the G. A. R., and in politics is a Democrat. His mother died about the year 1842, and his father December 15, 1863.

WILLIAM H. McCOMAS was born January 3, 1842, and is the son of Henry C. and Mary (Kibler) McComas, who were born in Virginia, were married in Rush County, Ind., and who came to this township in 1837, entered land in Section 19, and there resided until their respective deaths in 1855 and 1873. William H. McComas was educated at a subscription school taught in a log house, and was reared a farmer, having begun at the age of six. May 30, 1869, he married Eliza E. Carr, born in Ohio, February 6, 1844, and the daughter of Reuben and Mary (Creamer) Carr, formerly of Virginia but latterly of Ohio. Mr. McComas began housekeeping in a log house on part of his father's farm, but in 1875, put up a comfortable frame dwelling. He owns 108 acres of the old homestead and does general farming and deals in cattle. His children are three in

number—Laura A., Mary A. and William E. In 1881, Mr. McComas was elected school trustee by the Republicans. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., and the Methodist Episcopal Church; his wife is a member of the Christian Church. Mrs. McComas' father died in 1871, and her mother in 1875—both church members.

THOMAS McDANIEL was born in Johnson County, Ind., January 1, 1834, and is the son of John and Margaret (Freiks) McDaniel, natives of Kentucky and early settlers in the county named above. Thomas McDaniel was reared on a farm, and in 1852 came to this county. August 30, 1856, he married Alice Z. Robinson, daughter of William C. and Frances (Walton) Robinson, and to his marriage were born six children—Jeremy E., Frances L., Henry, Zenetta (deceased), Minnie A. and an infant boy, deceased. Mr. McDaniel soon after marriage purchased a farm of nearly 200 acres, which he worked until the breaking out of the war, when he enlisted in Company H, Thirty-Eighth Illinois Volunteer Infantry. He participated in the battles of Stone River, Chickamauga, Resaca, Atlanta, Nashville and all others in which his regiment was engaged, and served until August, 1864, when he resumed farming. Mr. McD. lost his mother February 11, 1856, and his father died the day Grant was elected President, in 1868; Mrs. McD.'s father was accidentally killed in October, 1854, by a wagon upsetting and throwing a saw-log upon him, and her mother died in 1878.

JOHN M. MELTON, son of Thomas C. and Susannah (Birt) Melton, was born in Rush County, Ind., on August 6, 1836. He went to school in a log schoolhouse, and worked on a farm until the year 1851, when he came with his father to Crooked Creek Township, Jasper County, Ill., and where he worked on a farm and attended school, as before, until 1858, when his father was elected Sheriff of Jasper County, when he moved with his father to Newton, the county-seat. On December 1, 1859, he was married to Sarah, daughter of Judge James E. and Jane (Duck) James. Six children, five of whom are living, were born to them, viz.: Ora J., Cyrus F., Susan L., Ira H. and Nona E. Soon after his marriage he settled in Crooked Creek Township, buying 120 acres of land, and improving the same. He now owns 160 acres of well improved land, with a fine house. Besides being a general farmer, he raises some stock. In politics he is a Democrat, and has held several offices of trust, viz.: Justice of the Peace, Township Assessor, Collector, and is now the Township Treasurer. He and his wife are both members of the Christian Church.

ROBERT W. MOORE was born in Rush County, Ind., March 12, 1854, and is the son of Elijah T. and Mary E. Moore, natives respectively of Kentucky and Maryland, and early settlers in Indiana. The parents came to this township when Robert was but eighteen months old, and the father started a general store in Plainfield. Robert attended school until about fourteen, then learned harness making, and then worked at farming until he had saved money enough to farm on his own account. April 5, 1872, he married Sarah C., daughter of Ezekiel Everman, of Cumberland County, Ill., and to this union six children have been born, viz.: Lawrence (deceased), twin boys (deceased), Daisy, Elijah and Charles E. At the age of twenty-one he lost his father, and the support of his mother then devolved upon him. The father had served as post-master at Rose Hill, and had been twice elected Justice of the Peace, in which office he died. In 1877, our subject purchased a blacksmith and wagon shop in Rose Hill, which he still continues to conduct, it being the only one in the village. He is a Master Mason and a member of the I. O. G. T.; his wife is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

CORNELIUS MURPHY, son of John and Judah (Sullivan) Murphy, was born in Ireland on September 8, 1826. He attended school until he was about fifteen years old, then worked on his father's farm until he attained his majority. He then worked for himself as a day laborer, saved his money, and in 1849 he set sail for America. After his arrival he located for a short time in the East, then came to Ohio, where he engaged in farming. On April 19, 1852, he married Elenora Curl, of Champaign County, Ohio, and two children have been born to them, viz.: Elva and Estella. In 1854, he came to Edgar County, Ill. Here he farmed until August, 1862, when he enlisted in the Eighteenth Indiana Battery. He was in seventy-two hard-fought battles, among which were Hoover's Gap, Tullahoma, Chattanooga, Chickamauga, Knoxville and others. On January 25, 1865, while he was at the front, his wife died. In June, 1865, he was discharged, when he came home to his farm in Edgar County. Here he married, for his second wife, Nancy, daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth Bricley. One child has been born to them, viz.: Isaac C. In 1871, Mr. Murphy sold his farm, and came to Crooked Creek Township, Jasper County. Here he purchased a farm, the house thereon being, it is said, the first one ever built on the prairie in this township. He now owns 237 acres of well-improved land, and besides being a general farmer, he deals in fine stock. In politics

he is a Republican. He is a claim agent for the collection of soldiers' pensions. He and his wife and son are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Murphy was raised in the Roman Catholic faith, but was converted to Protestantism soon after he emigrated to America.

ENOCH K. NELSON, son of William K. and Mary (Edmonson) Nelson, was born in Grant County, Ky., on July 20, 1844. In 1855, he moved with his father to Acton, Marion County, Ind., and went to school and worked on a farm until July 22, 1862, when he enlisted in Company G, Seventieth Indiana Infantry. His regiment for some time was guarding a railroad, but was finally put into active service. He participated in the battles of Resaca, Dallas, Chattanooga, Atlanta, with Sherman in his "March to the Sea," at Raleigh, N. C., at the grand review at Washington, D. C., and then, in June, 1865, received his honorable discharge. On arriving home he resumed farming. In 1866, he came to Jasper County, Ill., and engaged in farming. On August 20, 1868, he married Emily Harris (a widow), daughter of William Helms. She has borne her husband six children, viz.: William H., Margaret L., Laura B., Emily J., James F. and Sarah J. Mr. Nelson is now living on eighty acres of land, leased, in Section 36, Crooked Creek Township, where he is engaged in general farming. He is a member of the G. A. R., Post No. 158, Department of Illinois. He and his wife are regular attendants at church.

DANIEL PERRINE was born January 22, 1813, and is the son of William and Catherine (Miller) Perrine, natives of New Jersey and Virginia, and early settlers in Butler County, Ohio. He was reared to farming and also learned shoe-making, and in December, 1832, married Mary, daughter of William Huls, of New Jersey. To this union were born ten children, of whom four are still living—Joseph, David, Lewis D. and Catherine. After marriage he started a shoe shop, and while conducting this educated himself. Under the administration of President Taylor he was appointed postmaster at Westchester, Ohio, and held the office for many years. In 1855 he moved to Crawford County, Ill., and in 1861 to Richland County, where he bought a farm. January 3, 1863, his wife died, and the same year he married Hannah Akers, a widow with two children; she died in Ohio, when he returned to Crawford County and married Mary C. Delzell, a widow with one child, and to this marriage were born two children—Daniel (deceased) and Louisa. After this marriage he came to this township and here lost his wife by death. He

next married Isabel Benefield, who also died, and he then married Sarah A. McKinney. While residing in Crawford County he was a postmaster under Grant; in 1860 he voted for Douglas and in 1864 for Lincoln; since then he has been a Democrat. He was a volunteer nurse in the hospital at Camp Butler, Ill., during the war; he is a Past Master Mason of Newton Lodge, No. 216, and was a charter member of Robinson Lodge of Crawford County, and filled the chairs of Senior Warden and Master. He resides in his own house in Rose Hill, and at the age of seventy-one is strong and active—giving daily attention to running a threshing machine. He attends the Methodist Episcopal Church.

WILLIAM A. POWELL, son of Hezekiah and Lucy (Ealer) Powell, was born in Boone County, Ky., in 1827, and at the age of six lost his father. His mother then did the plowing while he rode the horse, until he became old enough to take the plow himself. At the age of fifteen his mother died; he then went to live on the farm of a cousin until twenty-one. He then went to Shelby County, Ind., where he was married, in 1849, to Julia A. Avey (a daughter of Peter Avey), who bore him nine children, of whom four are yet living—Abraham, Nicholas, Sarah and Edward. Soon after marriage he purchased forty acres of improved land, which he farmed until 1858, when he sold and bought 160 acres in this township. In 1861 he enlisted in Company H, Thirty-Eighth Illinois Volunteer Infantry, and took part in the battles of Stone River, Chickamauga, Resaca, Atlanta, Nashville and others, serving until 1864, when he re-enlisted in the same company and served until the close of the war. Mr. Powell is a charter member of the Rose Hill Post, G. A. R., No. 158, and in politics is a Republican.

GEORGE W. SUTTON is the son of Israel and Susannah (Spaulding) Sutton, and was born in Monroe County, Ohio, October 28, 1844, and at the age of seven was taken to Bartholomew County by his father, who died two years later; George then came to this county, was bound out to a farmer but ran away and enlisted in September, 1861, in Company K, Thirty-Eighth Illinois Volunteer Infantry. He fought at Frederickstown, Mo., Perryville, Ky., Stone River, Chickamauga and in other battles, but was taken sick and confined in hospital at Bridgeport, and was discharged at Quincy, Ill., in April, 1864, for total disability. He returned home, recovered, and again enlisted February 18, 1865—this time in Company D, Fourth United States Veteran Volunteer Infantry, and served on guard duty at various points until his discharge at Columbus, Ohio,

February 19, 1866. November 16, 1871, he married Viola, daughter of Robert and Harriet Ross. He has had born to him six children, of whom five are now living—Hattie A., Ida P., Charles P., Florence and Edgar Roscoe. In 1872 he purchased his farm on Section 30, this township, and has put it under a fine state of cultivation. He is a charter member of Rose Hill Post, No. 158, G. A. R., and in politics he is a Republican.

KINESON VANATTA was born in Crooked Creek Township November 6, 1853, and is the son of Isaac and Amanda (Kellar) Vanatta, who came from Ohio to this township in 1835, and were here married. The father died in 1854 and the mother in 1877. August 5, 1875, Kineson Vanatta married Almira Cowger, daughter of William F. and America A. (Ward) Cowger, of this county. To this marriage have been born three children—William I., Charles M. and Levi C. Mr. Vanatta is a general farmer, rears some stock and has a fine farm on Section 18—a portion of it left him by his father and the balance purchased by himself—on which he built, in 1881, as comfortable a one-and-a-half-story frame house as there is in the township. Mr. V. and wife are members of the New Light Church.

JOHN VANATTA was born in Jasper County, Ill., October 9, 1846, and is the son of Aaron and Jane (Ray) Vanatta, whose grandparents were early settlers in Lawrence County, where Aaron and Jane were born. John Vanatta was reared on the home farm, and was educated at the old-fashioned pioneer log schoolhouse. April 3, 1872, he married Jane Coad, the daughter of Joseph and Mary A. (Reisner) Coad, and born September 6, 1848. After marriage he settled on his father's farm and became a general farmer and stock-dealer. In 1872 he purchased forty acres on Section 24, this township, with money saved by himself and wife; she had been granted a teacher's certificate and began teaching at the age of nineteen, and when she was married had accumulated \$1,000; they have now a large farm with a good frame dwelling and outbuildings. There have been born to them three children—Florence, June 5, 1874, died September 25, 1875; Henry, born February 14, 1877, and Lizzie, December 29, 1881. Mr. V. is a Democrat of liberal views, and he and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. V.'s father died February 21, 1881, and his mother July 4, 1871, members of the Christian Church.

JOSEPH E. VEST was born in Floyd County, Va., March 1, 1841, is the son of Rowland and Delilah Vest, and was taken, when quite an infant, to Ohio by his parents. His mother died shortly after her arrival, and his father moved to Indiana when Joseph was about thirteen. Our subject was educated in Ohio and at Indianapolis, afterward learned shoemaking, worked at the trade until July,

1861, and then enlisted in Company D, Eleventh Indiana Volunteer Infantry, was appointed Corporal and took part at Shiloh, Port Gibson, Champion Hills, Vicksburg, Harper's Ferry, Winchester, and at many other points, and was mustered out at Indianapolis in 1864. He then started a boot and shoe store at Staunton, Ind. June 14, 1866, he married Laura Carter, daughter of Colin Carter, and to his union have been born five children—Flora (deceased), Cora, Alice, Louis (deceased) and Audra. He next moved to Brazil, kept a shoe store about ten years, and then came to Rose Hill, established a general store and took charge of a stave factory in the interest of his mother-in-law. This factory, the only one in the township, he subsequently purchased, and now employs about fifteen persons. Mr. Vest is a Mason, a member of the G. A. R., and in politics is independent.

ARMSTEAD WARD was born in Bourbon County, Ky., March 5, 1814, and is the son of John and Nancy (Billington) Ward. His father was born in South Carolina, and his mother in 1796, in Losantville (now Cincinnati), Ohio; they were married in Bourbon County, Ky. When our subject was seven years of age he was sent to school in Ohio, at about twelve he returned to Kentucky and attended school and worked on a farm for a time, and then moved to Indiana, where he also engaged in farming. October 17, 1837, he married Celia A. Billington, who bore him nine children, of whom four are living—John William, Sarah A., James H. and Richard M. In 1851, Mr. Ward came to this township and settled on 500 acres he had entered the previous year, and subsequently dealt largely in stock. Of the 500 acres wild prairie land he has retained 200, which constitute as fine a farm as there is in the township. In 1852 his wife died a member of the Christian Church, and June 9, 1859, he married Malinda (daughter of Samuel and Mary) Hendricks, who bore him eight children, four of whom are yet living—Mary F., Judson K., Samuel A., and Lula. Mr. Ward has been a County Commissioner, and a Justice of the Peace; he is an Odd Fellow, a Democrat and a member of the Christian Church.

JOHN WILLIAM WARD, son of Armstead and Celia A. (Billington) Ward, was born in Rush County, Ind., May 19, 1841, and came to this township with his father. He was here educated and reared to farming. In 1861, he enlisted in the Twenty-First Illinois Volunteer Infantry, Company I, and fought at Fredericktown, Mo., Corinth, Perryville, Stone River, Liberty Gap and Chickamauga. At the last named battle he was captured by the foe and imprisoned in the Libby, at Danville, at Andersonville, at Charleston and at Goldsborough. February 27, 1865, he was exchanged, and in April, 1865, was honorably discharged from the service. September 2, 1866, he married Lucinda Larrimer, of Richland County, Ill., who has borne him five children—Mary A., Sarah J., Dolly V., Myrtie (deceased) and Ada E. He has a neat farm on Section 14, and is a member of the Christian Church and of Post 158, G. A. R., Department of Illinois.

REV. JOHN T. WARREN, son of John and Tabetha (Vincent) Warren, was born on May 7, 1817, in Madison County, Ky. The father settled in Madison County in 1800. Our subject attended school but little in the primitive schoolhouse, and labored on a farm in his early youth. In 1833, he came to Decatur County, Ind., and on February 2, 1834, he married Mary, daughter of James Arsmith, of Kentucky. She died on May 13, 1834. On September 29, 1836, he married for his second wife, Lucinda, daughter of Pleasant Martin, of Kentucky. Their children are, Pleasant W., Sarah C. (deceased), James P., Thomas J., Martha J. (deceased), and John (deceased). While Mr. Warren worked on a farm he studied for the Baptist ministry, and in 1840 was ordained as a preacher in the Missionary Baptist Church, and assumed charge of the Rock Creek Baptist Church, until in 1850, he came to Crooked Creek Township, and entered 160 acres of land. In the meantime he, with others, organized what is called the Bethany Church, of which he had charge for twenty-nine years. After a brief absence, he was re-called, and is now its pastor. On July 4, 1877, his second wife departed this life. On May 29, 1882, he married, for his third wife, Nancy J. Lipscomb (a widow), daughter of Jeremiah Jones. Mr. Warren now has charge of three churches—Bethany, Mount Gilead and Salem. His son, James P. Warren, was born in Indiana on September 25, 1842, and in 1850, came with the family to Jasper County, Ill. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company D, Ninety-Seventh Illinois Infantry, and participated in the battles of Vicksburg, May 18 to July 4, 1862; Jackson, Miss., July 10 to 20, 1862, Fort Blakely, and others. At the end of three years' service he was honorably discharged at Houston, Texas; came home, and went to farming. In October, 1867, he married Mary A., daughter of Robert and Ruth Chapman. Two children, both infants, deceased, were born to them. His wife died on July 5, 1869. On August 24, 1870, he was next married to Rebecca, daughter of Elias and Rebecca (Irons) Lefevre. Four children have been born to them, viz.: Clementine A., born April 30, 1871; Lucinda, May 16, 1872; John, September 24, 1873, and Cyrus V., May 11, 1880. Our subject has a fine farm of 170 acres. In politics he is a Democrat; has been a Constable and a Highway Commissioner. The family are members of the Baptist Church.

SOLOMON S. WHITE, son of William and Amy (Woods) White, was born in Orange County, Ind., December 28, 1825, and was taken to Coles County in 1830, by his father, who was a farmer. He attended a pioneer subscription school, but was early put to the plow, as his father was in feeble health. He continued to aid in the support of the family until his marriage, December 4, 1851, to Mary C. Kingery, daughter of John and Sophia (Carter) Kingery, and born in Ohio, November 5, 1832. To this marriage have been born nine children, of whom seven are living—Lillie E., William B., Samuel S., Lucinda G., Virginia B., Leonora O. and Charles W. Mr. White farmed in Coles County until 1843, when he sold his farm and came to this township and bought a place on Section 29. He and wife are

members of the United Brethren Church, of which, for thirty years past, he has been a class-leader, steward, trustee, etc. In politics he is a Democrat.

REZIN WILKINS, son of Ozian and Matilda (Hines) Wilkins, was born in Guernsey County, Ohio, on December 10, 1829. The father was born in Guernsey County, Ohio, on December 22, 1802, the mother in Pennsylvania, on December 24, 1805, they being married in Guernsey County in 1822. The father was a farmer and stone-mason. Our subject went to school in the pioneer schoolhouse and labored on a farm until he was eighteen years old, when he moved to Indiana, where he worked on a farm for different persons, sometimes at a compensation of only ten cents per day. He saved some money, however, and when twenty-one he purchased eighty acres of land. Until he was twenty-five years of age he was an engineer in a saw-mill, after which he went to Hancock County, Ind., and worked there in a saw-mill. On June 17, 1855, he married Angeline, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Taylor) Hendricks. Twelve children were born to them, eight of whom are living, viz.: Samuel L., Mary E., William E., Alice M., Emma J., Sarah C., Nettie and Frank. In 1857, he came to Crooked Creek Township, Jasper County, Ill., and bought 200 acres in Section 10, of wild land, which he has well improved, and on which he has built a fine house and commodious barn. After an illness of three years, his wife died on August 12, 1883. She was a consistent member of the Christian Church, as is also Mr. Wilkins. In politics he is a Democrat; has been a Township Collector. He is a Master Mason of Hazel Dell Lodge, No. 580.

ISAAC C. WORDEN, son of Andrew and Amanda (Timpany) Worden, was born in Connecticut on August 24, 1829. He went to school till he was nineteen years old, then worked at farming until his marriage, which occurred on December 26, 1852, to Sarah, daughter of David and Harriet (Beach) Duryea, of Connecticut. Two children were born to them, viz.: David A. and William C. In 1856, he moved to Franklin County, Ind., where he engaged in farming till August 11, 1862, when he enlisted in Company C, Sixty-Eighth Indiana Infantry, as First Sergeant. He was captured at the battle of Munfordville, Ky., but was paroled, and soon after exchanged. He participated in the battles of Hoosier Gap, Chickamauga, Chattanooga, Missionary Ridge, Dalton, Nashville, and others. He was discharged on June 20, 1865. Returning home he engaged in farming until 1869, when he traded his farm for eighty-six acres of improved land in Crooked Creek Township, Jasper County, Ill., where he has been engaged in farming up to the present time. In politics he is an active Republican, and he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church, he being an elder in the same. He is also a member of the Hazel Dell Masonic Lodge, No. 580.

GRANDVILLE TOWNSHIP.

LLOYD BAILEY is a native of Fayette County, Ohio, was born January 12, 1834, and is a son of Ludwell W. and Margaret (Skelly) Bailey, both natives of Virginia, who early settled in Fayette County, Ohio, were there married, and lived on a farm. Lloyd Bailey was sent to the pioneer schools of the period, and also worked for his father until the year 1852, when he moved to Grandville Township, Jasper County, Ill., and entered a portion of land. January, 1855, he married Lucy A., daughter of Samuel and Gracie (Taylor) Weaver, a union which was enriched by twelve children, seven of whom are living, viz.: Mary M., Lloyd N., Jerome B., Ludwell J., Francis T., Alta I. and George E. Mr. Bailey is proprietor of a desirable farm, comprising 200 acres, improved, and containing considerable stock; it is also embellished by a fine brick dwelling, the only one in the township. Mr. Bailey is a man who has made himself. His wife is a member of the New Light Church.

JAMES McCORD BARLOW, M. D., a highly esteemed physician of Grandville, is a native of Crawford County, Ill., was born September 21, 1828, and is a son of John W. and Elizabeth S. (Gordon) Barlow, who were natives of Virginia, but settled in what is now the State of Illinois—at that time a part of the Northwest Territory—on Shaker Prairie, in 1816. Mr. Barlow was a master Mason, having joined that Order in 1825; he died October 8, 1863, and his wife October 13, 1869. Dr. Barlow attended school about one-fourth of each year, and during the remainder labored on the home farm. In 1839, he removed to Clark County, Ill., attended school for a time, then commenced the study of medicine under Dr. T. C. Moore and Dr. Churchill at Wheatfield, and in 1850 and 1851 attended the Rush Medical College at Chicago, and afterward began practice at Bell Air, Crawford County. June 29, 1851, he married Cynthia A., daughter of Lewis Bradshaw, with an issue of five children, of whom three are living—Adrian, Ida and Edith. In 1860, he resumed lectures at Rush Medical College, whence he graduated in March, 1861. In 1862, he moved to Edgar County (where his wife died, October 28, 1862), and thence, in 1865, to Crawford County. July 11, 1865, he married Ellen, daughter of Judge James B. Trimble, who died July 17, 1878, leaving two children, Arthur and Ethelbert. September 29, 1881, Dr. Barlow married Mrs. Maggie Boyd. He has an extensive practice, and has had a drug store since 1864. Dr. Barlow is a Royal Arch Mason, and a liberal Democrat.

JOHN BATES was born in Fayette County, Ind., April 7, 1827, and is a son of John and Polly (Pelley) Bates, the former a native of Virginia, the latter of Ohio, who were early settlers of Bourbon County, Ky., where they were married. The Bates family

moved to Fayette County, Ind., in 1824, where John Bates, Sr., owned a fine farm and had some of the best stock to be found. Our subject attended school in the house in which he was born, and afterward worked on the home farm until December 4, 1850, when he married Angeline W., daughter of Minor Thomas, of Fayette County, Ind., which union gave being to two children, William O. and Emma. After marriage, Mr. Bates remained in Fayette County, and gave his entire time to stock-raising. In 1863, he began to exhibit his horses and mules, and always took first premiums therefor. In 1880, he purchased, and now occupies, the Cooper mansion and lands, having now one of the finest stock farms in the county, where he breeds Norman horses, Short horn cattle and Poland China hogs, for which he has taken the ribbons at the State and county fairs. Mr. Bates is a liberal Democrat and a deacon in the Christian Church, and Mrs. Bates belongs to the Baptist Church. Mr. Bates' father died in 1871, and his mother in 1882; his daughter Emma married James A. Buchanan, now a partner with his father-in-law. They have two children, Mercy and William B.

JOHN BENSON is a native of Virginia, born August 3, 1818, and is a son of James and Euphemia (Stout) Benson, the former a native of Maryland, the latter of Virginia, where they were married. James Benson was a sailor, and served in the Revolutionary war, after the close of which he settled in Virginia, became a farmer, and in 1824 emigrated with his family to Edgar County, Ill., where John attended school and worked at farm work. In 1849, he married Jane Horsley, of Kentucky, who died in 1878, leaving six out of a family of eleven born to them, viz.: William H., Robert E., Anna M., Mary E., Matilda E. and David B. Having entered land in Grandville Township, he moved thereon in 1851 and built a large house, known as the "Yale House," and kept by him since 1878. March, 1879, he married Mrs. Anna A. Clark, daughter of Benjamin Stump, of Jasper County. Mr. Benson has a good farm of 120 acres, and a grocery at the station. While a resident of Edgar County he was twice elected Sheriff, also served two terms as Justice of the Peace, and sixteen years as School Treasurer of Jasper County. He is now a notary public, and politically a Democrat. He and wife are members of the United Brethren Church, of which he is steward and trustee.

ROBERT S. BYERS, M. D., is a native of Johnson County, Ind., was born April 10, 1851, and is a son of Benjamin and Nancy E. (Kelly) Byers, both natives of Kentucky and early settlers in Indiana. Dr. Byers, after attending subscription school and working for his father, commenced reading medicine with Dr. R. D. Miller, of Trafalgar, Ind., and in 1878 became a student at the Indiana Medical College at Indianapolis, from which he graduated in 1880, and afterward located in the village of Grandville for the practice of his profession. October 6, 1870, he wedded Caroline E., daughter of James and Emily McFadden, which marriage was productive of one child, Eva J. Dr. Byers has a large and lucrative practice, reaching

far into the surrounding country. He owns a fine home, and is so circumstanced as to enjoy independence and the comforts of life. He is a Republican, and now serving as Town Clerk. He is a member of the Missionary Baptist, and Mrs. Byers of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

DR. NORMAN COMSTOCK was born October 15, 1811, at Troy, N. Y., was educated at Fairfield College, and in his profession at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. When nineteen years old, he located at Greenville, Ind., as a practitioner, and afterward in Dubois County. At the age of thirty he wedded Rachel Harris and moved to Crawford County, Ill., where he followed his profession successfully, and in 1861 moved to Westfield on account of educational advantages for his family. In 1862, he raised a company for the One Hundred and Twenty-Third Illinois Volunteer Infantry, of which he was commissioned First Lieutenant and afterward Captain, which positions he filled with much honor until disabled while on duty, which disability compelled him to abandon the practice of medicine, so that he lived thereafter a quiet, Christian life until his death, October 28, 1882. His wife died January 22, 1880, at Paris, Ill. Dr. Carl L. Comstock, son of the above, was born in Dubois County, Ind., April 2, 1845, and divided his time between farm work and school until August 14, 1862, when he joined Company E, One Hundred and Twenty-Third Illinois Volunteer Infantry, serving at Perryville and Milton, after which battles he was discharged in December, 1862, then returned to Westfield and clerked in a drug store. In 1867, he read medicine with his father, later attended lectures at Ann Arbor, Mich., and then began practice at Bell Air, Ill. December 21, 1871, he married Lucretia, daughter of Geo. W. Mitchell, of Crawford County, with an issue of four children, one of whom is living, Charles M. After marriage, Dr. Comstock located at Harrisburg, Jasper County, afterward in Dubois County, Ind., and in 1879 where he now is, having purchased forty acres, and is at present in the timber trade. He is a Master Mason, and was made deputy Past Master in 1883. He is also a charter member of Coblenz Post, G. A. R.

JOHN R. CRAMER is a native of Licking County, Ohio, was born June 15, 1820, and is a son of Isaiah and Mary (Reed) Cramer, the former a native of Virginia, the latter of Maryland, who early came to, and were married in Licking County, Ohio. After some education at the schools of the day, John R. Cramer worked as a farmer, saved some money, and June 15, 1843, married Elizabeth, daughter of David and Christina (Myers) Allen, both formerly of Pennsylvania. This union gave birth to ten children, seven of whom are living—Alvin J., Reuben L., John W., Millard F., Martin H., Amos L. and Mary C. In 1848, Mr. Cramer moved to Grandville Township, Jasper County, Ill., where he entered and improved land which has become a homestead of 220 acres, and under good cultivation. Mr. Cramer is a general farmer, with some stock, and comfortably circumstanced. He had three sons in the Union army, one

of whom, Alvin, was killed at the battle of Farmington, Tenn. Mr. Cramer is a Republican, and an esteemed citizen, and Mrs. Cramer is a member of the United Brethren Church.

WILLIAM A. GIFFORD is a son of Levi and Margaret (Freeman) Gifford, both natives of North Carolina, who moved to Indiana about 1829. Levi Gifford was a farmer. William A. Gifford was born November 14, 1839. His parents moved to Coles County, Ill., in 1840, and entered 160 acres in Grandville Township, where Mr. Gifford died in 1846. The grandfather of our subject, William Freeman, then removed the family to their old home in Johnson County, Ind., where William A. went to school and worked on the farm. In 1854, his mother died, when he came with an Uncle, Isaac Gifford, to Jasper County, Ill., where he labored until October 3, 1858, at which period he married Emily, daughter of Rev. Henry Clark. After his marriage, Mr. Gifford located on the 160 acres entered by his father, and worked and improved the same. August 14, 1862, he enlisted in Company E., One Hundred and Twenty-Third Volunteer (afterward Mounted) Infantry. He was a Corporal, and served in the battles of Perryville, the pursuit of John Morgan, Hoover's Gap, Chickamauga, and with General Sherman in the Atlanta campaign. He was discharged, July, 1865, after which he again took up the plow. He has now a good home and farm of 200 acres; is a general farmer with some supply of stock. He is a Republican, and served six years as Commissioner of Highways. Mr. and Mrs. Gifford have had born to them four children—Oliver T., Cyrena F. (deceased), Lillie M. and Allie A. They are members of the United Brethren Church, of which Mr. Gifford is a trustee. He was largely interested in building the Otterbein Church, the first in Jasper County.

ABRAM S. HUDDLESTUN is a son of George and Susannah (Slack) Huddlestun, natives of Virginia, and was born in Bedford County, Va., September 23, 1803. He went to school in the old pioneer schoolhouses of those early years, and also labored at farm work until he attained his majority. April 23, 1829, he married Elizabeth Dickerson, and to them were bestowed seven children, five of whom are living—Sarah J., Mary A., James A., William H., and Worden B. In 1833, Mr. Huddlestun moved to Kentucky, and there farmed for several years. In 1847, he removed to this township, entered 140 acres of wild land, some of which he improved, and here experienced the varied hardships of those early settlers. He has now 175 acres, making a fine farm and a good home. Mr. Huddlestun is a Democrat, an esteemed citizen, and a member of the Baptist Church since the year 1833.

JAMES W. HUDDLESTUN is a son of Barnett G. and Susan (Winter) Huddlestun, who were natives of Virginia and early settlers in Kentucky, where James W. first saw the light, February 17, 1839. He attended school and worked on the home farm until 1850, when his father removed to, and located in Grandville Township, Ill. May 11, 1861, he married Miss R. Adamson, whose father, Zedekiah Adam-

son, settled here in 1850. Mr. and Mrs. Huddlestun have had three children born to them, two of which number are yet living—Sarah J. E., and Ira W. Mr. Huddlestun has a well-cultivated and improved farm, with a fair amount of stock, and is in comfortable circumstances. He is politically, a member of the Democratic ranks, a very worthy gentleman, and a much-esteemed citizen. Mrs. Huddlestun is a member of the Missionary Baptist Church.

CAPTAIN SAMUEL JARRETT is a son of Wilson and Catherine (Dowell) Jarrett, the former a native of Virginia, the latter of Kentucky, where they were married, our subject being a native of Mead County, and born March 1, 1837. Until his twentieth year, he attended school and worked on the home farm, after which he followed boating on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. In the fall of 1861, he enlisted in Company K, Third Kentucky (Union) Cavalry. His first battle was at Woodbury, Ky., but he afterwards fought at Shiloh, Corinth, Pea Ridge, Perryville, and others. June 12, 1863, he was commissioned Second Lieutenant, and detached on recruiting duty. October 5, 1863, he was commissioned Captain of Company K, Forty-Eighth Mounted Infantry, and was in various engagements, mostly with guerrillas, until December, 1865, when he was mustered out. July 1, 1863, he married Martha A., daughter of Joel Grant, of Henderson, Ky., which union gave issue to three children—Georgia L., Edith and Maggie. Mrs. Jarrett died, September 8, 1872, and December 2, 1873, he married Caroline, daughter of F. N. Watt, of Warren County, Ky., and to this union succeeded four children, of whom two survive—Maud and Sarah C. In 1865, after coming to Jasper County, Ill., he purchased 160 acres in Grandville Township, where he resides. His farm is well-improved, with a very good dwelling-house. Captain Jarrett is a Republican, and a member of the I. O. O. F. He and wife are communicants of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and highly respected by all.

GEORGE W. JEFFERS was born near Lexington, Ky., January 4, 1817, and is the eldest of the ten children of Robert and Nancy (Tapp) Jeffers, (the latter of Indian descent), who were natives respectively of North Carolina and Kentucky, and married January, 1816. Robert Jeffers was a soldier of the war of 1812, the land-warrant for which service he located in Kentucky, and in 1827, moved to Henry County, where George W. attended school and worked for his father. August 23, 1835, he married Elizabeth Rich, of Kentucky, who died November 23, 1843, having been the mother of three children, all deceased. In 1836, he entered land in Crawford County, Ill., which he improved, and on which he raised considerable stock. April 9, 1845, he married Eliza Grove, of Jasper County, Ill., and after a short residence in Wisconsin, he returned to Jasper County, and located in Wade Township. By his second marriage, Mr. Jeffers became father to eleven children, of whom seven are living—Louisa L., George F., Robert P., William N., Andrew S., Nancy J. and Thomas M. Mr. Jeffers established the first saw-mill in the county, and entered 160 acres in Grandville Township, to which he moved in

1855, having now 500 acres of superior land, on which he built a very fine house in 1872. August 3, 1878, Mrs. Jeffers died, and December 27, 1880, he married Mary A., widow of Isaac Stevens. Mr. Jeffers is a stock-raiser and representative farmer, a member of the old school Baptist Church, and a Democrat.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM LEAMON is a native of Virginia, was born April 11, 1817, and is the son of John and Hannah (Postlewait) Leamon, who moved to Licking County, Ohio, in 1818, and were consequently pioneers. Capt. Leamon attended the early schools and worked on his father's farm during boyhood. In 1837 he visited an uncle in Indiana, where he worked for forty-two cents per day, and saved money with which to purchase land in Grandville Township, Jasper County, Ill., on which he built the first hewed log house in the county. September 28, 1840, he married Margaret A. Nevill, of Maryland, to which union were born seven children, three of whom are living—Samantha, Hannah J. and John. December 1, 1861, Mr. Leamon entered Company K, Sixty-Third Illinois Volunteer Infantry, as Second Lieutenant, was promoted to First Lieutenant, and afterward to Captain. He served in the battle of Charleston, Mo., and was at the siege of Vicksburg and in the Atlanta campaign, also in the engagements at Savannah and Goldsboro, and continued in the service until the war was ended. Capt. Leamon is now living on his farm in Grandville Township. He is a general farmer, has as good a farm as the county affords, and is a generally respected citizen.

JAMES LEAMON is a son of John and Hannah (Postlewait) Leamon, who were natives of Virginia, and married in Licking County, Ohio, in 1818, where our subject, James Leamon, was born February 21, 1824. He attended school and worked on the farm of his father until October 19, 1851, when he married Martha Holt, who died October 29, 1852, a member of the Christian Church. October 4, 1852, Mr. Leamon moved to Grandville Township, Jasper County, this State, and settled on 120 acres of land. August 21, 1853, he married Catherine Wheeler, with an issue of nine children—Mary O., Ann E., James A., William O., Lester, Arthur, Clarence, Adrian and Burton. Mr. Leamon is a general farmer but gives some attention to stock. He is in politics a Republican, and in 1856 was elected Justice of the Peace, as which he has served (except for four years) until the present time. He has also served as a member of the Board of Supervisors, and is possessed of a fine farm of 400 acres.

WILLIAM McCAIN is a native of Coshocton County, Ohio, was born December 24, 1841, and is the son of John and Sarah (Dunn) McCain, both natives of Ireland, who moved to Coshocton County, Ohio, in 1834, where they lived on a farm. William McCain was sent to school at periods, worked on his father's farm, and there remained until December 24, 1863, when he married Mary J., daughter of Joseph W. and Mary (Dean) Porter, and born January 5, 1844. This union produced six children, of which number four

are living—Lewis C., Adam W., Lyman T. and Dennis. In 1864, Mr. McCain moved to Grandville, Jasper County, where he located on 160 acres of new land, which had been previously entered by his father. It is now a well-improved tract, and productive and well stocked—a good property and a desirable home. In 1874 Mr. McCain was elected Highway Commissioner, as which he is now serving his third term. He is a Master Mason of Cooper Lodge, at Willow Hill, and he and wife are greatly respected in the community.

WILLIAM MARTIN was born April 15, 1822, in Hamilton County, Ohio, and is the son of David and Elizabeth (Cole) Martin, natives of New York and early settlers in Hamilton County, Ohio. William passed his boyhood in attendance at school and in labor on the farm of his father. November 27, 1842, he wedded Laura, daughter of Isaiah and Mary (Reed) Cramer, by which marriage they had bestowed upon them eleven children, of which number five only survive—E. L., Mary A., Oscar, Elizabeth Jane and Perry F. After his marriage Mr. Martin moved to and entered land in Jasper County, Ill., where he engaged in farming. In 1862 he enlisted in Company C, One Hundred and Twenty-Third Illinois Volunteer Infantry, in which regiment he fought at the battles of Farmington, Perryville and Chickamauga, whereupon the regiment was mounted and followed Gen. Sherman from Chattanooga to Atlanta, and participated in the engagements at Selma, Ala. and Columbus, Ga. June, 1865, he was discharged at Nashville, after which event he returned to his home and farm, now embracing 109 acres of good land, and fairly stocked. Mr. Martin is independent in politics, and a respected and upright citizen.

CHARLES F. M. MOREY was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, June 25, 1838, and is the son of Jonathan and Margaret (Columba) Morey, the former a native of New York, the latter of Massachusetts. They were early settlers in Ohio. When Charles was a child his parents moved to Boone County, Ky., where he went to subscription school and worked for his father. About 1850 he moved to Ripley County, Ind., and in 1852 to Illinois, where he farmed until 1860. Soon after this date he went again to Indiana, and August 18, 1861, married Rachel A. Hopkins, which union gave being to seven children—Frances A., Edward K., Ida May, Margaret C., James E., Robert B. H. and Moffit. August 13, 1862, he enlisted in Company I, Ninety-Eighth Illinois Volunteer Infantry, in which he was made a Corporal. He was engaged in the battles of Hoover's Gap, Chickamauga, and while on the Wheeler raid was wounded in the right hand, after which event he served as company clerk until his discharge, July, 1865. He followed the plow for some time, and in 1874 came to Grandville Township, Jasper County, where he settled on 135 acres, constituting a good farm, which he purchased in 1872. This land is well improved and stocked with cattle, hogs and sheep, of which he is the largest shipper in the township. Mr. Morey is an active Republican, and in 1880 was a candidate for Sheriff, which he lost by a small majority; he has been

Supervisor since 1874. Mr. Morey is a Master Mason, and he and wife are among the most respected people of their neighborhood.

SILAS D. ODELL is a native of Grandville Township, Jasper County, Ill., was born December 18, 1842, and is the son of Isaac L. and Tabitha (Cramer) Odell, who were pioneer settlers of this State. Our subject received some schooling each year and remained on his father's farm until August, 1862, when he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Twenty-Third Illinois Regiment Volunteer Infantry. He was a fifer in said company and was present at the battles of Perryville, Chickamauga, Dallas, Kenesaw Mountain, Jonesboro, Hoover's Gap, Selma, Columbus, and the siege of Atlanta. After his discharge, July 5, 1865, he returned to farming, which he was unable to follow in consequence of the effects of a sunstroke received during the war. October 1, 1869, he married Mary A. Matheny, who died September, 1874, leaving two children—Leota and Adrian. In November, 1876, he married Mary Finney, who likewise bore him two children—Lenna E. and Clara B. As an effect of the aforesaid injury he removed to Grandville, where he opened the first wood-repair shop in said place and in which he has been successful, being very generally esteemed. Mr. Odell is a Republican and has six times been elected Township Assessor; he has also served as School Director, and is a charter member and one of the founders of Coblenz Post, No. 272, G. A. R. Mrs Odell is a member of the Christian Church.

HENRY PURCELL is the son of Amos Purcell, and was born in Ohio County, Ind., July 28, 1835. When quite a child his father moved with his family to Missouri, where our subject received some schooling and worked for his father on the home farm. In 1850 he returned to the State of his birth and followed the business of a farmer. In 1857 he married Annie M. Osborn, who died July 4, 1879, leaving four children—Franklin A., Samuel A., John W. H. and Churchill E. Mrs. Purcell was a member of the United Brethren Church. In 1859 Mr. Purcell moved to Jasper County, Ill., and in 1839 purchased a fine farm in Grandville Township, which he cultivated and improved. March 16, 1881, he married Cerilda J. Ewing, who died September 20, of that year, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Purcell is a member and trustee of the Otterbein United Brethren Church.

ELIAS REICHARD is a son of Peter and Mary (Cramer) Reichard, the former a native of Pennsylvania, the latter of Maryland, who were married in Montgomery County, Ohio. Our subject first saw the world's light August 28, 1821, in the State of Ohio, where he attended school for a time, also worked as a farmer boy, and when sixteen years of age became a learner of the carpenters' trade. March 26, 1843, he married Sophia, daughter of Joseph Richardson, of Miamisburg, Ohio—a union favored with nine children, eight of whom are living. In 1845, Mr. Reichard commenced the business of wagon-building, at which he continued many years. In 1867, he moved to this county, where he procured 160 acres of land

in Section 13, a portion of which was improved; this land he further improved with a good house and other necessary additions. He is a general farmer, also raises some stock and tobacco. He is a member of the Masonic Fraternity, and likewise an Odd Fellow. Mr. Reichard is a self-made man, an upright citizen, and a Republican in the political arena.

FRANCIS SHACKLEE is a son of Francis and Sarah (Sparks) Shacklee, the father a native of Germany, the mother of Maryland, who were married in Pennsylvania, and early settled in Wayne County, Ohio, where our subject was born, March 29, 1829. When he was two years of age his father died, in consequence of which he was privileged to obtain but little schooling at the pioneer fountains of learning, having to assist his mother at home. In 1850, they moved to Jasper County, Ill., where in December, 1852, he married Matilda, daughter of Ludwell W. and Sarah Bailey, which union was productive of six children—Lucy A., Margaret E., Sarah M., Jerome B., Frances L., and Ludwell W. Mr. Shacklee is the owner of a good home and desirable farm, which contains 155 acres, and which is in a fair state of cultivation and tolerably well supplied with stock, which Mr. Shacklee manages in addition to general farming. He is in politics a member of the Republican party. Mr. Shacklee's mother is yet living at the age of eighty-three years, and well and useful.

FENDOL P. SNIDER, is a native of Breckenridge County, Ky., was born November 13, 1822, and is a son of Henry P. and Verlinda (Dowell) Snider, both natives of Virginia, and early settlers of Kentucky, where they were married. Our subject passed his youth in attending school and working on the paternal farm. October 22, 1849, he married Theodosia A., daughter of Jeremiah Norton, of Kentucky. In 1850, Mr. Snider, moved to Grandville Township, Jasper County, Ill., where he purchased eighty acres with the means he had saved by his labor, built a log house and commenced improving his land. He has now an excellent farm of 440 acres, with some fine stock, which took first premium at the Newton County Fair, in the autumn of 1883. In 1866, Mr. Snider built the first two-story house in his township. He is a Master Mason of Cooper Lodge, at Willow Hill, and a Democrat in politics. Mr. and Mrs. Snider are parents of five children—Georgia A., Minerva F., Millard F., Breckenridge B. and Fendol C. (deceased).

