

## SMALLWOOD TOWNSHIP.

ABEL ARMSTRONG, farmer and stock-dealer, was born in Virginia, in 1818, and is a son of Thomas and Jane (Burgess) Armstrong, natives of Virginia, and pioneers of Logan County, Ohio, whither they came in 1836, made a farm, and afterward removed to Springfield, Ill., where they both died. Abel lived in Ohio until 1840, when he went with his parents to Springfield. In 1852 he married Miss Lucy Sells, who died one year later. After farming on land previously owned by him, he purchased and located on sixty-five acres in Shelby County, Ill., and in 1857, married his second wife, Miss Julia A. Robison, who also died after three years, and in 1869 he married his third wife, Mrs. Ann Harvey, which union gave issue to one child, Frances. Mr. Armstrong has 120 acres under cultivation and improved. His principal products are hay and corn; he also handles usually from twenty-five to forty head of cattle each year.

N. BOLDREY, merchant and general store keeper, is a native of Johnson County, Ind., was born in 1840, and is a son of John Boldrey. The school advantages of our subject were of the poorest kind. When he was nine years old he came to this county, where in 1862, he married Miss Lovina, daughter of Garrison Grove, and a native of Indiana. Before commencing his present business, in 1877, he sold goods for five years and managed a mill for fifteen years, besides farming to some extent. He has now a good trade, which he has created by his tact for serving the public and his courteous manner. Besides this he has built several buildings in addition to his own, and owns a half interest with his brother in a saw-mill, established in 1878. Mr. Boldrey has served the township as Collector one term. Mr. and Mrs. Boldrey are members of the Christian Church, and are the parents of two children—James A. and Sarah M.

THOMAS BROWN, farmer and teacher, was born in Jefferson County, Ind., February 9, 1835, and is the third in the family of John and Elizabeth (Jackson) Brown, the former a native of Scotland, the latter of Tennessee. John Brown was a farmer and preacher of the Baptist Church; also, a pioneer of this county, where he located in 1851; he and his wife are yet living past their "three score and ten" years. Thomas Brown, at the age of sixteen, moved with his parents to this county, and after receiving a fair education became a teacher, which he followed about thirty years, being now one of the oldest teachers in the county. November 3, 1867, he married Miss Mary Bridges, a native of Virginia. In 1868, Mr. Brown located on forty acres purchased from his father, and which he has increased to 185 acres, with comfortable surroundings. Mrs. Brown died December 11, 1871, whereupon he married Miss Priscilla Bridges, sister of his deceased wife. They are members of the Missionary Baptist Church,

of which Mr. Brown is an ordained minister. He served as Justice of the Peace one year by appointment, and was afterward elected to said office; he also served as Township Treasurer for two years, and as Clerk one year. Mr. Brown has three children—Mary (deceased), Minnie and Eddie.

J. J. CALVIN, physician and surgeon, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1826, and is the second of the seven children of Hiram and Mary (Jacobs) Calvin, natives, respectively, of Ohio and Kentucky, who moved to Wayne County, Ill., in 1856. The boyhood of our subject was passed in Edinburgh, Ind., where he attended school, began reading medicine, and passed seven years in study and practice. In June, 1856, he married Miss Catherine, a daughter of Jacob Wise, and niece of Governor Wise, of Virginia, to which union were born four children—William C., Annie M., James and Charles H. After this event Dr. Calvin lived some time in Wayne County, Ill., and Williamsburgh, Ind., and came to his present location in 1870, where he has since lived and practiced. For some years he traveled and practiced the treatment of chronic diseases, in which he was eminently successful, before settling on his farm. In 1861 he enlisted in the three months' service, and in 1862, in the Seventy-Ninth Indiana Volunteer Infantry, soon after which he was injured by being run over by the cavalry; this caused his discharge, in January, 1863, after which he acted as Commissary Sergeant. Mrs. Calvin is a member of the Baptist Church. Besides his home farm, Dr. Calvin is owner of 640 acres in Kansas, and thirty-six in Indiana.

A. FLEENER, farmer, is a native of Washington County, Ind., was born in 1827, and is a son of John and Mary (Crissmore) Fleener, the former a native of Maryland, the latter of North Carolina. John Fleener was a farmer and pioneer of Washington County, where he and wife ended their lives. His name was the first on the Land Office register, and he it was who placed a roof on the first log cabin in the State. Our subject passed his boyhood at home, and in 1849 married Miss Lydia A., daughter of Henry Greenwood, and a native of Virginia. After his marriage he rented land for one year, then purchased eighty acres of woodland, where he resided two years, made considerable improvements, then sold the same, purchased forty acres of unbroken prairie, and removed thereto in 1847. To this purchase he added by degrees until now he has 600 acres of as good and well cultivated soil as lies in the county. Mr. Fleener handles from ten to fifteen mules, and about 100 head of cattle every year; he also raises considerable wheat, corn and hay. Mr. and Mrs. Fleener are the parents of ten children, viz.: Margaret, Martha, Narcissus, Bruce, Isabella, Daniel, Jacob (deceased), Nora, George and Elsie. Mrs. Fleener is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

JOHN A. HEADY, farmer, was born in March, 1815, in Switzerland County, Ind., where he was also reared, and is the second of the nine children of Benjamin and Lydia (Stewart) Heady, both natives of Kentucky and pioneers of this county, whither they

removed in 1852 and located near Smallwood when the land was drear and waste, and where they passed away—the father in 1870, the mother in 1872. John A. Heady married, in 1843, Miss Phebe, daughter of Abijah Grimes, a large farmer and stock raiser, who died in Vicksburg about 1868. This union produced four children, Lois, Lydia, Benjamin A. and T. C. (deceased). Mrs. Heady died in 1854, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Heady after renting land for several years, purchased, in 1852, eighty acres of his present farm, then in a wild and barren state; but he has now reclaimed and improved 160 acres, making a home of convenience and of value. He is a practical man and a much respected farmer.

B. A. HEADY, farmer, was born in Switzerland County, Ind., in the year 1822, and is the fifth of the nine children of Benjamin and Lydia Heady. In the year 1848 our subject married, in Switzerland County, Miss Margaret, daughter of Joseph and Girtzell Dow, natives of Scotland, who located and died in Indiana. Mr. Heady, after his marriage, rented his father's farm for three years, after which he purchased 160 acres of land and moved thereon in 1852, where he has since that time resided, continued to improve the farm, and is now surrounded by all the necessaries and many comforts of a farmer's life. Mr. and Mrs. Heady have been favored with a family of twelve children, viz.: Girtzell (deceased), Thomas, Joseph (deceased), David, Albert, Ann, Gilbert, Marilla, Elmer, Mary, Flora and Sarah (deceased). Mr. Heady is a valuable and much respected citizen.

PETER JACKSON, farmer, is a native of the State of Ohio, was born March 1, 1841, and is the son of John and Nancy (Flick) Jackson. John Jackson was a farmer and blacksmith, as well as a pioneer of Ohio. He and wife afterward removed to this county, where they came to their lives' end—the former in August, 1856, and the latter August 19, 1870. The boyhood of Peter was passed in this county, where he has experienced the trials of a pioneer, and where he has lived since 1851. In 1869, he married Miss Nancy J. Honey, daughter of J. W. Honey, a pioneer of this county of 1849. This union was productive of six children—Iva, Alta B., Martha, Grace, Nellie P. and Rosa. Mr. Jackson lived upon his forty acre farm after his marriage, to which possession he added until he has now 187 acres of good, arable land. Mr. Jackson has served as Township Clerk, Assessor and Supervisor each one year, and is now Collector, which he has filled for more than three years; he was also Township Trustee eleven years. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson are members of the Christian Church.

J. H. KELLAM is a native of Indiana, was born in 1839, and is a son of Jesse and Charity Kellam. Jesse Kellam was a farmer and a pioneer of Rush County, Ind., where he cleared a farm and lived until 1858, at which time he removed to this county, and died April 19, 1883; Mrs. Kellam is yet living, a cripple now from having fallen upon the ice during last winter. Our subject passed his boyhood in Indiana, and in August, 1862, enlisted in Company H, Sixteenth Indiana Volunteer Infantry. At Richmond he was wounded and

also taken captive, held six weeks, then released, and again made captive in Louisiana and confined in Texas for nine months. He participated at Vicksburg and many other notable battles and skirmishes, and was mustered out at New Orleans. In 1861, he married Miss Hattie, daughter of John P. Havens, and a native of Indiana, which union produced five children—Rush C., Anna M., Lizzie, Bertie and Royal. Mr. Kellam moved to his present place in 1866. His wife is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

A. KELLAM, farmer, is a native of Rush County, Ind., was born April 13, 1841, and is the sixth of the seven children of Jesse and Charity Kellam. Jesse Kellam was a farmer and one of the pioneers of Rush County, where he settled as early as 1830 and cleared and made a farm, on which our subject was reared and lived until seventeen years of age, at which time he removed with his parents to this county, where he has made his home, and where he married Miss Inda, daughter of C. J. R. Monroe, a pioneer of Jefferson County, Ind., which union has been productive of two children, John W. and Edward L. Mr. Kellam began housekeeping at his present home in 1863, which covers 103 acres of prairie, and 20 of timber land, and which contains good and valuable improvements. He has served his township six years as Commissioner. Mrs. Kellam is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

THOMAS J. KIRK, farmer, is a native of Licking County, Ohio, was born in 1844, and is a son of James and Keziah (Patterson) Kirk, both natives of Ohio. James Kirk was a farmer, and died in Crawford County, Ill., in 1877, where Mrs. Kirk is now living with her son, and where she has resided since 1852. Thomas J. Kirk passed his early manhood on his father's farm, after receiving an ordinary school education, and in 1868, married Miss Selina M. Holmes, a native of Crawford County, Ill., with an issue of three children—Lucy K., James A. and Lizzie E. O. After marriage, Mr. Kirk moved on the eighty acres of land previously owned by him. This he afterward sold, and purchased the 140 acres which comprise his present farm and home. He has also forty acres of timber, on which he located in 1880, the place being well-improved, and having especially substantial buildings. Mr. Kirk was elected Township Supervisor, in the spring of 1883, and he and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which the former has been a steward for one year.

GEORGE M. MANNING, farmer, is a native of Indiana, was born January 10, 1854, and is a son of J. B. and Mary (Hughes) Manning. J. B. Manning was by occupation, a harness-maker, and later in life became a farmer, but had followed his trade in Wayne County, Ind. George M. Manning passed his boyhood in Wayne County, and, with his parents, removed to Illinois, where, in 1879, he married Miss Minerva Horton, a native of this State. After his marriage, Mr. Manning engaged in farming his present land, comprising fifty acres of prairie and twenty acres of timber. Mr. Manning has around him the comforts of life, which he deserves long to enjoy. He and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and parents of two children—Nellie M. and Effa B.

## GROVE TOWNSHIP.

WILLIAM BADGER was born in Jasper County, Ill., February 10, 1839, and was the eldest of six children of Stephen and Sabrina Badger, the former a native of New Hampshire, the latter of Ohio. They were married in Jasper County, Ill., in 1837, afterward settled in Newton, making various moves, and improving vast tracts of lands. He died in 1874, September 7. His widow still survives. The subject of this sketch was married December 20, 1864, to Samantha, daughter of Samuel and Clarissa Barrett. After their marriage, they settled on the same farm where they now live. Five children have been born to them, viz.: Minnie A. (deceased), Carrie L., Walter L., Fannie M. (deceased) and Omer R. Mr. Badger and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ALBERT GALLATIN CALDWELL was one of the largest farmers, and the most extensive stock-dealer, perhaps, in Jasper County. He was born in Vigo County, Ind., July 6, 1826. His parents are Robert and Jane (Watts) Caldwell, the former a native of Pennsylvania, the latter of Ohio. Robert came with his parents from Pennsylvania to Ohio, in 1808, and settled on a half section farm, eight miles southeast of Circleville. That farm is still owned by Robert's brother, John Caldwell, now eighty-four years of age, the oldest resident, widely and favorably known in his (Pickaway) County, Ohio. Robert was married in Ohio, April 22, 1819, came to Vigo County, Ind., in 1823, and died in same county, in 1832. Robert and Jane Caldwell had two children—Albert, our subject, and Robert Johnston. The latter was a farmer, well educated, and was married to Hannah Crews, of Vigo County, Ind., in 1854. She died April 30, 1856. He was next married to Sallie Bright, of Cumberland County, Ill., September 23, 1857. His death occurred before he was married a week, his disease being much like that of cholera, his age, twenty-nine years. Robert's widow married James Beard. She died in 1863. Robert's father, William Caldwell, was born in 1764. He married Jane Moore, November 28, 1786. William died March 20, 1815. Jane, his wife, died September 1, 1823. Both had been consistent members (the former an elder) of the Presbyterian Church for many years. These parents and their youngest son, Johnston, are buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery near Kington, Ross County, Ohio. These parents had nine children (eight sons and one daughter). John, above referred to, is the only one now known to be living. Albert G. Caldwell, our subject, was married to Lucy A. Crews, sister of Hannah Crews, before referred to, February 3, 1848, by whom he had six children—Robert G., John A., Hannah C., Albert G., elsewhere mentioned, Elizabeth J. and Jane A. Elizabeth J. died December 23, 1855, in the second year of her age; James A., died August 1, 1856, in the second year of his age; Robert J., died June 30,

1871, in the twenty-third year of his age; Hannah C., died December 13, 1872, in the twenty-second year of her age. The last named was the wife of Samuel McElhaney, married May, 1859. One child, Albert G., blessed this union. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Lucy Ann, the wife and mother, died May 3, 1856, in her twenty-ninth year. John A. was married, July 14, 1882, to Anna Gordon, of Texas. Lucy Isabel is their child. Albert G., the father, was next married, September 30, 1857, to Mrs. Rebecca J. (Wagle) Arnold, of this county. She was the widow of John W. F. Arnold, who died February 4, 1853. Her children are, Jonathan, Phoebe, and J. Fletcher Arnold. Jonathan was married in 1871, to Sarah Clark, of Effingham County. Lillie and Fletcher are their children. Fletcher was married December, 1876, to Della Barton, of Jasper County. Edward and Eugene, are their children. Phoebe is at the home place with her mother. To Albert G. and Rebecca J. Caldwell, were born Louisa J., Missouri C., and Lucy Ellen. Louisa died November 7, 1877, in her twentieth year. Missouri C. is the wife of Philip Mason, married October 10, 1883. Albert, the father, died April 23, 1880. The latter had a good common school education. He was brought up on the farm, and at the age of about seventeen years, was put to the cooper trade. He followed this business for about five years. He then again began working on the farm purchased by his father. This farm contained 320 acres, was located on Honey Creek prairie, a few miles southeast of Terre Haute, and changed hands about the year 1876, at \$130 per acre. He continued on this farm until the year 1854, when he moved to Coles County, Ill., near Douglas, on a farm. He remained there about three years, then moved to Jasper County, near Island Grove, Grove Township. He traded, in partnership with James Crews (his brother-in-law) until 1859, when each began business for himself. Mr. Caldwell was remarkably successful in business. At his death he owned more than 1,500 acres of land, 170 head of cattle, 150 head of hogs, eight head of work horses, besides other stock and money. He was kind to the poor, and gave liberally to churches of all denominations, and worthy enterprises. He stood high in the estimation of the citizens of his county, and several times was urged to accept the nomination (the nomination being equal to an election) of Representative to the State Legislature. Mr. C. was a man of positive convictions, scrupulously honest in all he did, kind and obliging to the greatest extreme, loved and respected by all who knew him. His was a busy, useful and successful life. No one in the county, perhaps, had more friends or fewer enemies. He was a member of Newton Lodge I. O. O. F., and in politics a Democrat.

ALBERT GARDNER CALDWELL, farmer and stock-dealer, was born in Jasper County, Ill. His parents were Albert G. and Lucy A. (Crews) Caldwell, elsewhere mentioned. Albert G., the subject of this sketch, had a good common school education. Working on the farm and attending school were his occupation during his boyhood days. He was married, December 2, 1875, to Alice Robert-

son, of this county. She is a daughter of John and Rebecca Robertson, well and favorably known in Indiana. They now live in Texas. Robert J. and Lucy A. are their children. Mr. C. has been very successful in business, as he now owns 90 acres of land, 760 of which are well improved. He has on hand at present writing 125 head of cattle, 42 head of horses, 16 mules and 40 head of hogs. He has a pleasant, happy home, has a flattering prospect before him and may well be classed among the wealthy, influential and responsible citizens of the county. He has an eye to business, and is always ready to buy when the price suits him. In politics he is a Democrat.

REBECCA J. CALDWELL, (wife of Albert G. Caldwell, deceased), was born in Montgomery County, Ky., February 15, 1827, and was the daughter of Asa and Cassandra Wagle, both natives of Kentucky. Her mother died in 1827 and her father married Phoebe Rickman, and in 1840 moved to Jasper County, Ill., where he died in 1877. Rebecca was married to Fletcher Arnold, January 10, 1842, and settled in Grove Township, where he died February 4, 1853. Her second marriage occurred September 30, 1857, to Albert G. Caldwell. Her children are as follows: Jonathan A., Phoebe and John F., children of Mr. Arnold, and Elizabeth (deceased); Missouri C. and Lucy E., children by Mr. Caldwell.

JAMES L. CREWS was born near Terre Haute, Vigo Co., Ind., November 14, 1825, and was the son of John and Elizabeth R. Crews, the former a native of Tennessee, the latter of Kentucky. The grandfather, James Crews, was a Revolutionary soldier, born in Virginia and settling in Tennessee at an early period, where he remained until his death. He raised a large family, among whom were six sons. His son, John, the father of our subject, came to Vigo County, Ind., about the year 1820, remaining there until his death, which occurred in 1876. His wife survives, aged eighty-six years. Their son James settled in Jasper County, Ill., in 1850, purchasing a small tract of land and commencing the business of stock-raising, in which he has been very successful, being now one of the most extensive dealers in stock in Jasper County and owning a large farm of 1,400 acres. Mr. Crews was married September 19, 1850, to Mary A. Green, of Cumberland County, Ill. Eleven children were born to this union, viz.: John (deceased), Mary, Franklin, Harriet, Alexander (deceased), David, Lucy A., Ella M., James, Maria (deceased) and Joseph, (deceased). Mrs. Crews died February 6, 1883. Mr. Crews is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and a worthy citizen.

JOHN T. HANNA was born in Fountain County, Ind., October 9, 1829, and was the son of Albert G. and Mary (Stoops) Hanna, the former a native of Indiana, the latter of Kentucky. The grandparents of the subject of this sketch were natives of North Carolina but emigrated to Indiana at an early period, locating in what is now Union County, afterwards moving to Carroll County, where they died. John Hanna's father was twice married and was the father of thirteen children. The subject of this sketch was married Septem-

ber 6, 1858, to Catherine E., daughter of James T. and Elizabeth Morris. Eight children were born to this union, viz.: Mary E. (deceased), Emma M., Anna B., Clara A., Morris W., Eva E. (deceased), Alvira E. and Lillie I. After his marriage Mr. Hanna resided in Carroll County, Ind., until 1860, when he moved to Jasper County, Ill., where he has since resided.

C. G. HESS was born in Montgomery County, Ohio, October 5, 1829, and was the second in a family of twelve children of David L. and Ann V. (Grove) Hess, the former a native of Maryland, the latter of Virginia. The grandfather of the subject of this sketch was a native of Germany and emigrated to America in an early day, settling in Maryland, where he raised his family, from which State David L. moved in 1828 to Montgomery County, Ohio. C. G. Hess was married September 29, 1864, to Sarah J., daughter of Robert and Nancy Dawson, a native of Brown County, Ill. Five children have been born to this union, viz.: David L., Annie L., Robert D., Ida V. and Emma E. Mr. Hess has been a resident of Jasper County, Ill., since 1867, and is much respected and has an interesting family.

WILLIAM C. JUNIOR was born in Spencer County, Ky., October 18, 1820, and was the eldest of ten children of Joshua and Elizabeth (Romine) Junior, the former a native of Tennessee, the latter of Kentucky. In 1830 William came with his parents to Vigo County, Ind., where he lived several years, and where he was married March 4, 1844, to Margaret J., daughter of James and Jane Beard. In 1855 Mr. Junior moved to Jasper County, Ill., and purchased the same farm where he now lives, and has developed from wild land a finely improved farm of 180 acres. Seven children have been born to this union, viz.: Elizabeth J. born April 26, 1846, died September 3, 1848; Rebecca A. born November 1, 1849; Sarah A., December 14, 1851, died September 20, 1852; Alice B. born January 7, 1854; Martha J., born February 29, 1856; Lucy E., born May 28, 1858, and an infant daughter unnamed, born and died September 26, 1861. Mrs. Junior died June 10, 1878. Mr. Junior is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and an esteemed citizen.

MATHEW MEINHART was born in Upper Austria, March 6, 1838, and was third in a family of seven children of Mathias and Turissa (Krois) Meinhart, both natives of Austria. In 1860, the family emigrated to America, settling first in Stephenson County, Ill., afterward moving to Jasper County, where Mathias now lives. His wife died in 1865. Mathew, the subject of this sketch, emigrated to America in 1857, landing in New York City, where he remained until the following year, when he came to Stephenson County, Ill., and in 1865 came to Jasper County and purchased land where he still resides, being now a prosperous farmer with 260 acres of land, well improved. Mr. Meinhart was married September 13, 1880, to Ann M., daughter of Joseph and Caroline Weishaar, a native of Germany. One child has been born to this marriage, viz.: Jacob F.

DR. S. B. METHENY was born in Licking County, Ohio, March 22, 1830, and was a son of James and Rhoda (Bell) Metheny,



the former a native of Virginia, the latter of Ohio. The grandfather of Dr. Metheny lived in Virginia in 1770, and remained there until 1820, when he moved to Licking County, Ohio, thence, in 1846, to Jasper County, Ill., where he died in 1851. Dr. Metheny's father died in 1849 in Grove Township, and his widow married Thomas Wisemore, and died in 1851. The subject of this sketch was apprenticed in 1849 to the carpenters' trade, which business he pursued for several years. He was married March 29, 1849, to Sarah, daughter of Joseph and Mary Soven, and a native of Hancock Co., Ind. In 1855, Mr. Metheny began the study of medicine with Dr. Norman Comstock. After reading three years, he commenced the practice of his profession in Harrisburg, Jasper County, remaining there until 1871. He then moved to Grove Township, where he successfully practices his profession. Ten children have been born to him, viz.: Norman, Joseph H. (deceased), Heman S., Mary J., George W., Jonathan C., James A., Nancy A. (deceased), Samuel K. and Sarah E.

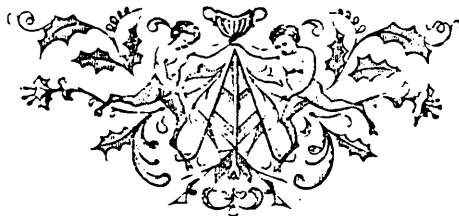
PETER MYERS was born in Fountain County, Ind., December 24, 1835, and was a son of John and Catherine Myers. He remained with his parents until twenty-six years of age, when he began life for himself. Mr. Myers was married August 6, 1861, to Susan, daughter of John and Mary Krout, of Fountain County, Ind., in which county he resided, working at the blacksmiths' trade until 1873, when he removed to Jasper County, Ill., settling on a farm, where he now resides. Ten children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Myers, viz.: Ephraim, infant son unnamed (deceased), Austin (deceased), infant daughter unnamed (deceased), Nettie V., Charles O., Rosie A., Stella L., Harry C. and Clara C. Mr. and Mrs. Myers are members of the Lutheran Church.

DR. N. D. MYERS was born in Fountain County, Ind., February 17, 1843, and was a son of John and Catherine (Fine) Myers, the former a native of Kentucky, the latter of North Carolina, and of German lineage. His grandfather emigrated from Germany to America before the Revolutionary war, and participated in that struggle, dying in 1792. The father of our subject came to Fountain County, Ind., in 1829, and engaged in farming, also devoting some time to mercantile pursuits and saw-milling. Here he married, and with his wife now resides in Jasper County, Ill., they having lived together fifty-one years. Dr. Myers, after availing himself of all the advantages of the district school, entered Harmonia College, Russellville, Ind., where he remained three terms, after which he entered the State University at Bloomington, Ind., taking a scientific course. He afterward engaged in teaching, and in the spring of 1868 began the study of medicine with A. T. Steele, of Waveland, Ind., reading two years. He then entered Rush Medical College, Chicago, but that institution being burned he went to Cincinnati, where he received his diploma March 1, 1872. He practiced medicine first in Veedersburg, Ind., afterwards in Brownsville, Ind. His marriage occurred at Crawfordsville, Ind., March 13, 1873, to Mattie J., daughter of Samuel and Sarah A. Ward. Three children have been

born to this marriage, viz.: Bessie L., Minnie M. and Lulu P. Dr. Myers has resided in Jasper County, Ill., since 1874, and is an esteemed citizen and skillful physician.

JOHN SOWERS was a son of Noah and Catherine (Griffith) Sowers, both natives of Page County, Va., where they were married, and from whence they moved in 1844 to Licking County, Ohio, going thence, in 1849, to Jasper County, Ill., where the father died in 1853. The mother still survives. John was the eldest of nine children. He was married February 2, 1853, to Mary E., daughter of Reuben and Mary Carr. He lived in Crooked Creek Township on a farm of his father-in-law's until 1865, when he moved on the farm he now owns and occupies, consisting of 160 acres of land under good cultivation. Nine children have been born to them, viz.: James W. (deceased), an infant son unnamed (deceased), Mary J., John H., Martha C., Christian C., Reuben H., William T. and Owen. Mr. Sowers is one of the progressive and energetic men of Jasper County.

ALEXANDER WALLACE was born in Orange County, Ind., June 23, 1836, and was one of ten children born to James H. and Serena Wallace, the former a native of Kentucky, but moving with his parents to Indiana, where his marriage occurred, and thence in 1850 to Jasper County, Ill., where he died. The son, Alexander, was married April 2, 1857, to Clarinda J., widow of Elisha Wilson and daughter of John E. and Eveline Goodwine. Since his marriage he has lived in Jasper County, Ill., all the time except one year. Nine children have been born to this marriage, viz.: John, J., Millard F., Ellen (deceased), Charles (deceased), Alvin (deceased), Theodore (deceased), Warren (deceased), Effie and Byron.



## NORTH MUDDY TOWNSHIP.

ANDERSON BURNSIDES was born in Jackson County, Ohio, January 17, 1839, and came to this county in 1859. In 1861, he enlisted in Company K, Thirty-Eighth Illinois Infantry, served until 1863, and was wounded at Stone River. December 20, 1866, he married Miss Rachel Foster, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Trexler) Foster. This lady died in 1868, and December 8, 1869, Mr. Burnsides married Rebecca E. Smith, daughter of Benjamin E. and Anna E. (English) Smith, and born in Coshocton County, Ohio, in 1849. To this union were born Merritt, September 13, 1870; Winnie and Minnie (twins), August 6, 1872, and Rachel N., August 18, 1875. John Burnsides, father of our subject, was born in Virginia in 1811, went to Jackson County, Ohio, at the age of four, and in 1835 married Rachel Jacobs, born in 1814, and daughter of John and Susan (Trexler) Jacobs. This couple reared to maturity the following children: Susannah, born in 1836; Anderson, in 1839; J. T., in 1841; Hugh, in 1844; S. G., in 1846, and Filena, in 1849. John Burnsides came to Jasper County in 1856, and settled on 420 acres, and entered another tract in 1863, and the father of the wife of our subject, Benjamin Smith, came here in 1838.

DR. J. C. CHAPMAN, physician and surgeon, of Wheeler, was born in this county October 19, 1855, and here reared on a farm until the age of sixteen. His determination to become a physician was formed in childhood, and when but twelve years old he began to prepare himself by study for the responsibilities of that profession. At the age of sixteen, he began teaching school, still devoting his leisure hours to the study of medicine. He took a teacher's course at the college of Valparaiso, attended Merom College, and read medicine with Drs. J. H. Walker, Maxwell and Faller, all eminent practitioners of Newton. He next entered the American Medical College at Saint Louis, and graduated, after a three years' course, in 1879. He practiced at Island Grove, and at Dieterich, and then, in 1882, came to Wheeler, where he has an extensive patronage and is also interested in the drug business. He is a member of the Centennial Medical Society and also of the Society of Physicians of Jasper County. May 1, 1880, he married Miss Frances, daughter of W. J. and Elizabeth (Ireland) Madden, and to their union have been born two children, Eva and Nellie.

H. H. DIETZ, the second of four children, born to Benjamin and Phebe (McLin) Dietz, is a native of Fairfield County, Ohio, and was born February 13, 1847. He was educated at Pleasantville, and May 5, 1864, married Miss Sarah Beery, daughter of C. M. and Barbara (Hubs) Beery; to this marriage have been born four children—Beery B., Cora B., Perdie C. and Harley G. Mr. Dietz came to Jasper County in the fall of 1870, bought 200 acres of land which

he farmed until 1882, when he entered the mercantile business at Wheeler, where he is now doing a prosperous trade. Mr. Dietz's father was a native of Pennsylvania, and C. M. Beery, father of Mrs. Dietz, was born in Ohio in 1813.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM C. GILLSON is a native of Calcutta, was born in 1835, and came to America when ten years of age. He was reared and educated in Ford County, Ill., and April 25, 1861, enlisted in Company K, Seventh Illinois Infantry, and served as private until 1863, when he was promoted First Lieutenant, and in September, 1864, promoted Captain. He took part in seven severe battles and was wounded at Pittsburg Landing, Follow Bluff and Altoona. He was mustered out at Springfield, Ill., after which he went to Kentucky, where he married, in 1865, Miss H. A. Winter, daughter of William and Nancy (Segman) Winter, born respectively in England and Philadelphia, and in the same year, 1799. Mrs. Nancy Winter is still living, and makes her home with our subject. Mr. and Mrs. Gillson have had born to them seven children—Nancy J. (deceased), Neonia D., Thomas W., William E., Edward A., Mary N. and Aaron D.

CAPTAIN W. C. HARNED was born in Bond County, Ill., was reared a farmer and attended school until 1861, when he enlisted in Company D, Twenty-Second Illinois Infantry, served one year, was discharged on account of disability, returned home and re-entered the army in July, 1862, as Second Lieutenant of Company E, One Hundred and Thirtieth Regiment. He took part in the battles of Port Gibson, Champion Hills, Black River, siege of Vicksburg and the campaign after Jackson. He was captured, with the rest of his regiment, April 8, 1864, and was held prisoner at Camp Ford, Texas, until June, 1865. He was promoted First Lieutenant in February, 1863, and Captain while prisoner of war. In 1867, he married Miss Isabel McKenzie, who died February 14, 1868, leaving one child—George. In 1871, he married Miss Isabel File, a native of Indiana, whose parents settled in Bond County in 1818. Her grandfather, Henry File, established the first distillery in Bond County in 1819. By his last marriage the Captain became father of six children—Julia, Matilda, Nora, Jennie, William and one that died unnamed. John W. Harned, father of the Captain, was born in Texas while it yet belonged to Mexico, and moved with his parents to Madison County about 1830. In January, 1842, he married Mary Matilda Nelson, daughter of William and Mary (McLain) Nelson, and to their union were born nine children, all of whom reached maturity.

L. S. LOLLAR was born in 1858, in Clay County, Ill., where he was reared to farming and educated in the common schools until seventeen years of age. In 1881, he married Miss Denia Ward, daughter of W. H. and Susannah (Burnsides) Ward, natives of Ohio. There has been born one child to this union—Lola Mabel.

G. H. MERCER was born in Jackson County, Ohio, in 1846, was reared a farmer and was educated in the common schools until seventeen years old; he then went with his parents to Adams County,

Ind., resided there four years, returned to Ohio, and in 1863, came to Jasper County. In 1864, he enlisted in the One Hundred and Forty-Third Illinois Infantry and served six months; he then returned to this county, but after a short stay visited Ohio; in 1866, he came back and purchased sixty acres and is now engaged in farming. In 1872, he married Margaret E. Varvil, who was born in Indiana in 1851, and who was but one year old when she came to this county with her parents, John and Nancy (McCullough) Varvil, natives of Kentucky. Mr. Mercer is now the father of five children—Annie A., James A., Henry B., Louisa J. and Mary E. Joseph Mercer, father of our subject, was a native of Pennsylvania, and married Annie Day, a native of Kentucky, who bore him thirteen children—Louisa, J. M., Mary J., Comfort, Rebecca, Robert, Marion F., John A., G. W., Winfield, Portner, Hannah and William S.

JONATHAN TREXLER was born in Jackson County, Ohio, November 23, 1840, and at the age of twelve came with his parents to this county, where he was reared to farming and educated in the common schools until nineteen. In 1861, he enlisted in Company K, Thirty-Eighth Illinois Infantry, and fought at Corinth, Perryville, Stone River, Knob Gap, Liberty Gap and Chickamauga; he was four times wounded, and was honorably discharged at Springfield, Illinois, in 1864. He married, August 23, 1865, Miss S. A. Cather, daughter of N. T. and Cynthia (Fields) Cather, natives of Indiana and North Carolina, and early settlers of Jasper County. Mr. and Mrs. Trexler have had born to them four children, namely, Lillie M., Minnie O., Merritt and Vernon C. The father of our subject, John Trexler, was an early settler of this county, was born in Jackson County, Ohio, in 1816, and in 1837, married Mary Dixon, born January 28, 1817, and daughter of Eli and Elizabeth (Graham) Dixon. She died January 29, 1860, the mother of eight children, our subject being the second. Mr. Trexler next married Polly Ann Dobbins, who bore him five children and died May 26, 1883.

ALEXANDER WILSON, Township Supervisor, was born in 1831, in Washington County, Ind., but was reared a farmer in Putnam County. In 1851, he married Miss Emily C., daughter of Nicholas and Susannah (Gatan) Conett, and born in Montgomery County, Ohio, in 1835. Ten children followed this union—Julia A., Sarah J., Susan C., Abel A., Fenton E., Phebe, Eliza, Orlena, Lucy, and one deceased. Abel Wilson, father of our subject, was born in Kentucky, and was a son of Alexander and Sarah (Lucas) Wilson—the former a soldier of the war of 1812. Abel Wilson married, in Washington County, Ind., Julia Holsapple, daughter of George and Phebe (Hubbard) Holsapple, and to their union were born six children—George W., William, John, Lucy, Sarah J., and Alexander. Our subject came to this county in the spring of 1872, and bought 216 acres of land, which he has since increased to 416 acres. He has served as Supervisor of his township since 1879, has never sued a man nor been sued, is a member of the Masonic Fraternity and the Christian Church, and is a conservative Democrat.

## SOUTH MUDDY TOWNSHIP.

ISAAC JOHNSON is a native of Ohio, was born in Guernsey County, July 3, 1834, and is the son of David and Elizabeth (English) Johnson, also natives of the Buckeye State. David Johnson having died in Ohio, his widow moved to Iowa, and thence to Kansas, where she also died. Isaac Johnson was reared to farming by his parents, and in Pennsylvania, June 19, 1854, he married Esther, daughter of Enos Gallaway, a physician, farmer, and miller. He farmed on rented land in Ohio, until about 1867, when he came to his present farm, rented it for two years, and then purchased it. He now owns 150 acres of superior land, and is a very successful farmer. He has ten children living, as follows: Mary E., Lucinda J., Ruth M., Lona, Rosalie, H. Annis, Albert H., Eva, Smith E. and Della E.

JOHN H. MAHANEY, Supervisor, was born in Page County, Va., June 24, 1850, and is a son of Ezra and Ann Eliza Mahaney, also natives of Virginia. Our subject spent his early boyhood in Indiana, until the fall of 1862, when he came with his parents to Illinois, and was here reared a farmer. In December, 1871, he married Rachel D., daughter of John and Nancy Ward. Mr. Ward, a native of Virginia, was a farmer and a pioneer of Jackson County, Ohio, but died in Illinois. Mrs. Ward was a native of Ohio, and died in that State. Four years after his arrival in Illinois, John H. Mahaney resided in North Muddy, and then came to his present farm in this township. In April, 1872, the mother of Mr. Mahaney was killed by the fall of a two-story frame dwelling, which was blown down and torn to fragments in a wind storm. His father was severely injured, and a ten-year-old brother cut on the head, but Mr. Mahaney and a sister, both in the house, escaped uninjured. The children born to Mr. Mahaney are six in number: Eliza E., Rachel O., Dolly A., Bessie P., John H. and Mary F.

CHARLES MASON, a native of Rensselaer County, N. Y., was born in February, 1814, and is the son of Stephen and Hannah Mason. The family first came West to New Albany, Ind., then moved to Posey County, Ind., thence came to Illinois, where the father died in Tazewell, and the mother in McLean County. At the age of seventeen, Charles Mason began life for himself, laboring by the month at from \$5 to \$15. January 5, 1837, he married in Lawrence County, Ill., Miss Rhoda Travis, and began housekeeping in Clay County on rented land. Five years later, he purchased sixty acres, improved, on which he lived seven years, and then came to his present farm in this township, where he owned 300 acres, but has given his children about 100 acres, and possession of about 120 acres beside. Mrs. Mason is a member of the Christian Church, and of her children, there are living—William M., Sarah, Roxina, Mary L. and Alice C.

LYMAN RANDALL was born in Oxford County, Maine, in

1838, and is the son of Esek and Edith (Pickens) Randall, natives of Massachusetts. Lyman Randall had the advantages of a high school education, and on coming West in 1858 engaged in school teaching in winter and farming in summer until 1861, when he enlisted, September 4, in the Eleventh Missouri Infantry and served until January 26, 1866. Among the many engagements in which he took part were those of Fredericktown, Mo., Island No. 10, Corinth, Miss., Jackson, Vicksburg, Nashville, Spanish Fort and a number of skirmishes. In 1867 he married, in Ingraham, Clay Co., Ill., Miss Mary E. Ingraham, a native of Missouri. Mr. Randall first owned four acres of land at Ingraham, which he disposed of during the war, and at its close purchased 140 acres in Clay County, Ill., on which he lived five years and then came to Smallwood Township, this county, purchased 120 acres and resided thereon five years. In the fall of 1875 he came to this township and settled on his present farm of 160 acres, all under good cultivation and supplied with comfortable buildings. Mrs. Randall owns 112 acres in Clay County, mostly under cultivation. Mr. and Mrs. Randall are members of the Christian Church, and have two children living—Winfield and Edith.

WILLIAM N. STUART, a native of Guernsey County, Ohio, was born in June, 1835, and is the son of John and Charity (Larne) Stuart, natives respectively of Pennsylvania and Virginia and pioneers of Ohio. Both parents died in this State. William N. Stuart came here in 1860 and here he and sister own a farm of 350 acres, of which 190 are improved and constitute one of the finest farms in South Muddy Township; the products, grain and stock, are divided between them. Mr. Stuart is a thoroughgoing farmer, is serving his second term as Justice of the Peace, and is recognized as one of the progressive men of his township.

JAMES E. WORTHEY, farmer but formerly a blacksmith, was born in Coshocton County, Ohio, and is the son of James F. and Charlotte (Odor) Worthey, natives of Virginia and pioneers of Jasper County, Ill., where the father died and where the mother is still living, at the age of about eighty. The marriage of the latter, the second time, took place in her seventy-sixth year. James E. Worthey was reared in his native county until twenty-one, served three years as a blacksmith's apprentice, and came to this county in the fall of 1855. March 6, 1856, he married Mary E. Warren, a native of Kentucky, and daughter of William Warren, a farmer and a native of New York State. For about twenty-one years our subject followed his trade in this State—principally in this township, where he lived on the farm where he first began housekeeping, and which comprises eighty acres. Mr. Worthey served as Constable here for three years and then resigned. He and wife are members of the Missionary Baptist Church, of which he has been a licensed preacher for the past fifteen years. He has had born to him nine children—Julia C., Lucinda A., Harriet E., Mary E., Rosie E. (deceased), George (deceased), Theodosia (deceased), William F. and Nathaniel J.

## SAINT MARIE TOWNSHIP.

JOSEPH PICQUET was born on March 17, 1816, in lower France, and came to America about the year 1835, landing in Philadelphia; thence he went to Pittsburgh and from there, by canal and over the inclined plane, to Steubenville, Ohio; thence he went to Lima, Ohio, visiting all the land offices along the line, inasmuch as he had been sent here by his father and other relatives for the purpose of locating lands for them. He went as far as Saint Louis, and next went to Chicago, then a place with but few houses. Finally he reached Jasper County, where he entered 1,200 acres, soon after which his father came over, and he, in turn, was followed by the rest of the family, with the exception of one sister, Louise—a lady of the Sacred Heart. Mr. Picquet has since made several visits to his native land, and was there married, in 1840, to Miss Rosa Muller, who died in November, 1844. She was the daughter of Charles and Rosine (Hartrick) Muller, natives of Alsace. In 1850 Mr. Picquet married Caroline, a sister of his deceased wife, and to this union have been born eight children, of whom only two survive—Louise and Marie.

JAMES PICQUET, physician and surgeon, was born in Hague-neau Province, France, in 1824, and at the age of nineteen came to this country in company with his mother, two brothers and three sisters, his father and brother Joseph having preceded him, and settled on 1,200 acres of land in this county. A year after his arrival he went to Saint Louis to study our language and customs; later, he studied medicine for two years under the eminent Dr. Battey, of Vincennes, Ind., after which he returned to his native land and studied for three years in the University of France. In 1854 he returned to this county and established himself in practice in Saint Marie, where he at once made his mark. At the breaking out of the war he was appointed surgeon in the government hospital at Vincennes, where he did efficient work until the cessation of hostilities. He next established himself at Evansville, Ind., where he was engaged in active practice until 1868, when he returned to Saint Marie, where he enjoys an enviable reputation and an extensive patronage. In 1854, in France, he married Miss Victoria, a daughter of Joseph and Louise (Blum) Shefferstine, and to this union have been born six children—Mary, Pauline, Annie, Cecile, Edward and Raymond.



## FOX TOWNSHIP.

JOSEPH BOOS was born in Alsace, Germany, in 1839, and is the second son of J. and Elizabeth Boos, both natives of Alsace. When our subject was a few months old, he came with his parents to Saint Marie, and was here reared and educated. His father bought the present Boos estate. It contained at one time 3,600 acres. Mr. Boos has always lived on the farm. Boos Station is situated on the Boos estate. For the last three years Mr. Boos has been dealing in grain and merchandise, and has a fine brick store, the best in the township. He does the sole grain trade in this part of the township, and is the only merchant. He was made post-master about three years ago. He has rented all his land (1,200 acres, mostly cultivated and improved), and devotes his attention to his present business. In 1868, he married Magdalene Litzelman, a native of Saint Marie. His present wife (formerly Magdalene Horn) is a native of Effingham County, Ill. He has four children—Francis, Joseph, Aloyous Odilo and Estella. Mr. Boos is a Democrat, and a prominent citizen.

THOMAS CAHILL was born in 1833, in Ohio, and is the third son of J. R. and Elizabeth (Creston) Cahill, natives of Ohio and Canada respectively. Thomas Cahill was reared and educated in his native State. After attaining his majority, he farmed until thirty-five years of age. He then came to Fox Township (then part of Saint Marie) and continued farming until 1878, when he began the dry goods and grocery trade in West Liberty. At present he is engaged in the sale of his stock to J. R. Gilman. He has been post-master and express and freight agent ever since the creation of West Liberty. He has been collecting and pettifogging for over twenty years. He is a strong Republican. Mr. Cahill was married in 1854 to Rachel A. Moore, a native of Ohio; that lady died in 1876. His present wife (who was the widow of Mr. Stewart), is a native of Indiana. He has seven children living, viz.: Fernando, Forrest, Squire D., John L., Ira, Ernest and Rolley. Mr. Cahill is one of our most influential citizens.

JAMES F. COMPTON was born in Simpson County, Ky., in 1842, and is the fifth son of William S. and Nancy M. (Mayfield) Compton, natives of Kentucky and North Carolina respectively. He was reared and educated in his native county. He enlisted in the Sixth Kentucky Volunteers (Confederate Infantry), and served at Franklin, Nashville, Shiloh, Corinth, Vicksburg, Baton Rouge, Montgomery, Knoxville (Tenn.), Stone River, Chattanooga and Dallas. At that place he was wounded and fell into Federal hands, went into hospital, and as soon as he was able made his way back to Montgomery and Mobile, into the Confederate lines, and was made a cavalry soldier. They moved into North and South Carolina, thence back

to Washington, Ga., and at the close of the war he returned home. He engaged in the saw-mill business until he came to his present farm, which contains 146 acres of well improved land. In 1866, he married Susan W. Hill, a native of Kentucky. They have seven children, viz.: Alonzo, Clarence, Mary, Virgil, James, Josie and Nora. Mr. Compton is a member of the Universalist Church. He has been Assessor, and Supervisor twice, and is now Collector for the township. Politically, he is a liberal Democrat, and is one of our prominent citizens.

THOMAS GIBSON is a native of Maryland, was born in 1821, and is the son of John and Ann (French) Gibson, natives of the same State. The family moved to Ohio about 1832, and there Thomas was reared to farming. In 1854, our subject came to Jasper County and bought his present farm of 180 acres, all well cultivated. He married, in 1845, Emily E. Wilson, a native of Kentucky, who has borne him three children—Robert W., Mary E. (Tritt) and John W. In politics, Mr. Gibson was for a time a Whig, then a Free-Soil Abolitionist, and is now a Republican. He was a member of the County Board of Supervisors for a number of years, and is a most influential citizen. In religion he is a Methodist.

DR. C. HARRIS was born in Nelson County, Ky., in 1829, and is the fourth son of Edward and Sarah (Wells) Harris, both natives of Kentucky. When ten years old our subject moved to Louisville, where he remained until about twenty-five. He was educated at the Louisville University, and when nineteen attended lectures. At twenty-two, he commenced to practice. He soon went to Washington County, Ind. He was a partner in a general store (including drugs) in Hardin County, Ky. He then came to Clay County, Ill.; was afterward in Shepherdsville, Ky.; also in Saluda, Ind., where he remained about five years. He next came to Mattoon, Ill.; then to Richland County, and in 1864 he came to what is now Boos, and bought his present farm, containing 258 acres, mostly cultivated and improved. He has practiced ever since his arrival, and has been very successful. He married, in 1853, Nancy Rickerdson, a native of Kentucky; that lady died in 1858. His present wife (formerly Elena Consley) is a native of Indiana. The Doctor has six children, viz.: Martha F. (Richardson), Laura Loy, Colmore, Oliver P., Ida B., and Anna J. The Doctor is a member of the Universalist Church, also of the I. O. O. F. He was the first Supervisor of the township, also School Treasurer for ten years. He is a Democrat, and one of our most influential citizens.

PAUL HARTRICH was born in Saint Marie Township (now Fox) in 1854, and is the third son of Theodore and Francesca Hartrich, both natives of France. Our subject was reared and educated in Saint Marie Township until 1871, when his father died. The three brothers farmed the old homestead until the fall of 1882. The homestead contained about 800 acres. In 1882, it was divided; Mr. Hartrich sold his part to his brother, and now has charge of the Boos farm. In 1879, he married Monica Faller, a native of Evans-

ville, Ind. They have one child, Francis X. Mr. Hartrich is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, also of the Catholic Church. He is a Democrat; was Township Collector for one term, and is a respected citizen.

EUGENE HARTRICH was born in Fox Township in 1849, and is the second son of Theodore and Francesca Hartrich. He was reared and educated in this township until he attained his majority. After his father's death, he, with his brothers, farmed the homestead until 1882, when he bought his brothers out. He now owns 230 acres of land, mostly cultivated and improved, and has an interest in some undivided homestead land. In 1880, he married Pauline Picquet, a daughter of Dr. Picquet, of Saint Marie. Mr. Hartrich is a member of the Catholic Knights. He served the unexpired term, as Sheriff, of John Selby; has also been Township Collector. He is a Democrat, and an esteemed citizen.

J. Q. HITCH, a member of the firm of Hitch & Dickerson, merchants and grain dealers, was born in Clermont County, Ohio, in 1856, and is the eldest son of Nelson A. and Lottie Hitch; both natives of Ohio. Mr. Hitch was reared and educated in Ohio, and when twenty years old came with the family to Richland County, and engaged in farming and stock-raising, continuing four years. The corn failure of 1881, led him to ship and sell corn at West Liberty, through the season. He sold forty car loads; a remarkable sale for so small a place. He then began the grocery business at West Liberty, and continued alone until 1882, when he was joined by Mr. Dickerson, who added grain-dealing and agricultural implements. They were the first firm of the kind, and sold nineteen machines of the Dorsey manufacture, this year. They are the only firm in the place who make a specialty of groceries and provisions. They carry about \$1,500 worth of groceries, and have a large and increasing trade. They shipped last year 125 cars of grain. Mr. Hitch is a member of the A. O. U. W. He votes the Republican ticket at the National elections, but in other elections is independent. He is an influential citizen. Wilmer L. Dickerson, of the firm of Hitch & Dickerson, was born in Jefferson County, Ind., in 1856, and is the eldest son of John and Nancy T. (Swan) Dickerson, both natives of Indiana. The parents came to Fox Township, when it was in its primitive state, and our subject grew up on the farm until sixteen years old, when he entered the Olney High School. He spent two years there, preparing himself for teaching; in which he has been very successful. With the exception of one winter spent in Arkansas, Missouri, Indian Territory and Texas, he has taught school every winter since, farming in the summer. He does not expect to teach in the future. Shortly before his father's death, in 1881, he bought his present farm of 200 acres, mostly cultivated and improved. In the fall of 1881, he married and moved on the farm. In 1882, he became a partner in the firm of Hitch & Dickerson. He married Emma Hitch, a native of Clermont County, Ohio. Mr. Dickerson is a member of the A. O. U. W.. He is a Republican, and has been

Township Clerk. He is one of the most enterprising of our citizens. John Dickerson (deceased), was born in Jefferson County, Ind., in 1827, and was the second son of Wilmer and Margaret (Snodgrass) Dickerson; natives (probably) of New Jersey and Kentucky. John Dickerson was reared and educated in his native county, and lived upon the farm until eighteen years old, when he began the blacksmiths' trade at Madison, Ind. After serving a three years' apprenticeship, he worked at his trade in the county until 1858, then came to the farm now owned by his widow. He continued his trade, in conjunction with farming, until his death in 1881; since which event, his second son, Thomas, has managed the farm. Mr. Dickerson was married in 1851, to Nancy Swan, a native of Indiana, by which union they had six children: Wilmer, Thomas, Margaret (Yong), Manie, Grace and Henry. Mr. Dickerson was a member of the A., F. and A. M., and a Republican. He was a respected citizen.

J. W. HUGHES was born in Dubois County, Ind., in 1855, and is the youngest son of John H. and Elizabeth (Gatmore) Hughes, both natives of Ohio. Our subject was reared and educated in his native county. When eighteen years old (having learned the carpenters' trade), he came to Crawford County, Ill., and began business for himself. After about five years, he came to West Liberty, and has since been engaged as a carpenter and building contractor. He employs four or five men at a time, and has been very successful. In 1876, he married Nancy J. Gilman, a native of Virginia. They have two children—Irena and Hugh. Mr. Hughes is at present Constable for the township. He is a Republican, and an enterprising citizen.

REV. J. L. JESSUP was born in North Carolina, in 1821, and is the eldest son of J. and Rachel (Jackson) Jessup, both natives of North Carolina. When our subject was three years old, he removed with his parents to Hendricks County, Ind., and was reared and educated in that county. On attaining his majority he commenced farming for himself, and continued until 1881. He then came to his present farm, containing 200 acres, mostly cultivated and improved. In 1845, he was married to Melinda Kellum, a native of Indiana. Five children blessed this union—Amanda Chawner, Oswald, W. Kellum, Roscoe C. and Cora C. Rev. Mr. Jessup was Township Trustee in Indiana for seven years, and is at present Supervisor of Fox Township. He has been a minister of the Friends' Church for the last twenty years. Politically he is a Republican, and is a respected citizen.

JOSEPH KAUFMANN was born in Saint Marie Township, in 1844, and is the eldest living son of Cyriac and Magdalene (Ebb) Kaufmann, both natives of France. He was reared and educated in Fox Township, up to twenty-three years of age, and then bought his present farm, containing 220 acres, nearly all cultivated and improved. In 1868, he married Catherine Kessler (a native of Jasper County), who died in 1872. His present wife, Mary La Motte, is a native of Ohio. Mr. Kaufmann is a member of the Catholic Knights, and is school treasurer of this township. In National and State

affairs, he is Democratic, but in other elections, he votes for the best man. Mr. Kaufmann is a prominent citizen.

ANTHONY KAUFMANN was born in Saint Marie (now Fox) Township, in 1847, and is the second son of Cyriac and Magdalene (Ebb) Kaufmann; both natives of Alsace. Our subject was reared and educated in Fox Township. When about twenty-six years old, he bought his present farm, which contains 250 acres, improved, and in good cultivation. In 1873, he married Mary Kessler, a native of Jasper County. They have five children—Felix, Albert, Paul, James and Glotildie. Mr. Kaufmann is a member of the Catholic Church. He is a Democrat, and one of our influential citizens.

A. LITZELMANN was born in Alsace, in 1833, and is the youngest son of Joseph and Frances Litzelmann, both natives of Alsace. He was reared and educated in Saint Marie Township. His father died when our subject was sixteen years old; he then lived with his step-mother until about twenty-four years old. He inherited eighty acres of the old homestead, and has since lived upon the place; and has increased it to about 860 acres, most of which is well cultivated and improved. In 1858, he married Josephine Boos, a native of this township. That lady died in 1879. His present wife (formerly Christina Horn) is a native of Illinois. He has six children—Elizabeth, Charles, Mary, Helena, Aloyous, and Aggie. Mr. Litzelmann was Supervisor of Fox Township for two years. He is a member of the Catholic Church. He is a Democrat, and one of our oldest citizens.

ALBERT M. PHILLIPS was born in Richland County, in 1853, and is the eldest son of Austin R. and Mary C. (West) Phillips, natives of Illinois and Tennessee respectively. Albert M. Phillips was reared and educated in his native county. When twenty years old he began farming for himself, and continued until 1880. He then came to West Liberty and soon began as salesman for Johnson & Son, and Hitch & Dickerson. In the spring of 1883 he began the insurance business, as agent for the Burlington Insurance Co., and has met with good success. In 1873 he married Jane Waggy, a native of Ohio. They have three children—Lowell, La Roy and Owen. Mr. Phillips is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a Republican and an enterprising citizen.

WILLIAM SHRYOCK (senior partner of the firm of William Shryock & Son, merchants at West Liberty) was born in Kentucky, in 1827, and is the eldest son of John and Sarah Shryock. William was reared and educated near Shelbyville, Ind. When about twenty-seven years old he came to Richland and Jasper counties, Ill., and bought his present farm, containing 255 acres, nearly all cultivated. In 1861 he enlisted in the Sixty-Third Illinois Volunteers. He went to Cairo, Jackson (Tenn.), Holly Springs, Oxford, Vicksburg, Memphis; then toward Chattanooga, where he was taken sick and went to Nashville hospital, thence to Cincinnati, Washington, Alexandria and Point Lookout, Md. There he was discharged and returned home. He then dealt chiefly in stock

up to 1881, when he began his present general merchandise business. The firm carry a heavy stock and have a flourishing trade. In 1851 Mr. William Shryock married Elizabeth A. Wood, a native of Indiana. They have five children—John J., William H., Martha, Carrie B. and Charles E. Mr. Shryock is a member of the Missionary Baptist Church, is a Republican and a prominent citizen.

JOHN J. SHRYOCK, the junior partner, was born in Richland County, Ill., in 1858, and is the eldest son of William Shryock. He was reared and educated in his native county, and took a course of book-keeping at Olney. He farmed exclusively until the fall of 1882, and then entered the mercantile business as his father's partner. He is a member of the Missionary Baptist Church, a Republican and a respected citizen.

J. SHRYOCK was born in Shelby County, Ind., in 1832, and is the second son of John and Sarah Shryock. Mr. Shryock was reared and educated in Shelby County, Ind., until seventeen years old and was afterward engaged in farming and stock-raising until 1854. He then came to his present farm of 449 acres, in Saint Marie Township, and Richland County. He farmed and dealt in stock up to 1880 (except a few months when he dealt in grain at Olney); then commenced the grain trade in West Liberty. He has shipped and dealt in stock, and almost controlled the trade here for the last fifteen years. In 1849 he married Martha E. Morris, a native of Shelby County, Ind. They have seven children—John W., Valentine, Franklin, Arminta Stewart, Halleck, Grant and Colfax. Mr. Shryock is a member of the Baptist Church. He was a Whig and Know Nothing, and is now a Republican. He is the founder of West Liberty and one of its most influential citizens.

WILLIAM P. SPRAY was born in Hendricks County, Ind., in the year 1853, and is the only son of Wilson and Sarah (Furnas) Spray, natives of Ohio and Indiana respectively. Our subject was educated chiefly at Earlham College, Richmond, Ind., and was reared in his native county. He engaged in stock-dealing in Hendricks County until 1879, then was a partner in a general store and in grain dealing at Bridgeport, Ind. After two years he began the stock business in this township, also in Hendricks County, Ind., and now has the principal part of his business here. The firm is Wilson, Spray & Son. They own 350 acres in this township. Mr. Spray was married, in 1875, to Ella Jessup, a native of Hendricks County, Ind. That lady died in 1881. They had one child, also deceased. Mr. Spray is a member of the Friends' Church. He is a Republican, and one of our enterprising citizens.

JAMES H. TANGUARY, M. D., was born in Wabash County, Ill., in 1856, and is the third son of James W. and Elizabeth (Buchanan) Tanguary, both natives of Illinois. His father is a large farmer and prominent citizen of Wabash County. The Doctor was reared and educated in his native county until seventeen years old. He then went to the National Normal School, at Lebanon, Ohio, also the Normal School of Carbondale, Ill. During this time he

taught some time, and altogether taught about thirty months. He then began the study of medicine at Mount Carmel, Ill. He took a course of lectures at the Chicago Medical College, and graduated at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, at that place. Dr. Tanguary is the only physician practicing in West Liberty and has good prospects of success. He was married, in 1880, to Miss M. J. Rigg, a native of Wabash County, Ill. Mrs. Tanguary was educated at Lebanon, Ohio. The Doctor is a Democrat and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a young man of refinement and ability, and an earnest student of his profession.

J. N. THRAPP was born in Wayne County, Ohio, and is the third son of Thomas and Mary (Kernes) Thrapp, natives of Ohio and Pennsylvania, respectively. Our subject was educated at Canaan Center College, Ohio. He came with the family to Olney, where his father built the first grist-mill in Richland County. In 1861 he enlisted in the Eighth Illinois Regiment. He re-enlisted in the Sixty-Third Illinois Regiment and went to Cairo, Jackson (Tenn.), Lagrange, Oxford (Miss.), Memphis, Vicksburg, Chattanooga, Atlanta, in Sherman's "March to the Sea," then on the north march to Washington, and took part in the grand review. He was promoted to Orderly Sergeant. After his discharge he returned to Olney; next traveled in Iowa and Nebraska about six months, then went into the grocery and provision trade at Olney, continuing until 1877. He then bought his present farm of 160 acres, which is well cultivated and improved. He married, in 1867, Anna Combs, a native of Illinois. They have three children—Alonzo Mc., Nellie A. and Pearly M. Mr. Thrapp is a Republican, and a prominent citizen. He is one of the few men who have kept a diary regularly for over twenty years, in which he keeps an account of weather, temperature, etc., as well as personal facts.

DR. S. R. YOUNGMAN was born in Mason County, Ky., in the year 1813, and is the second son of Jesse and Amy (Dicks) Youngman, natives of Virginia and Pennsylvania, respectively. Dr. Youngman was reared and partly educated in his native county; when he was seventeen years old the family removed to Putnam County, Ind., where the Doctor finished his education, and remained at home until he attained his majority. After studying medicine for six years (during which time he supported himself), he began practicing his profession at Cloverdale, Ind., where he practiced four years. The following four years he practiced at Greencastle, Ind., then moved to New Lebanon, Ind., where he remained between four and six years. He next established himself in the West Liberty vicinity. In 1881 he settled in the township, and wishing to retire from active practice he turned the practice over to Dr. Tanguary and began the drug business. He carries a line of drugs, paints, oils, tobaccos, etc. Dr. Youngman was married, in 1834, to Lorana B. Mark, a native of Fleming County, Ky. He has ten children—Lydia Stephens, George, Hattie Bicknell, James, Nancy E. Tipitt, Mary Adams, Flora Garrett, Edward, Emma Sandifur (deceased) and Elmer. Dr.

Youngman is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, also of the A. F. & A. M., and has been a member of temperance societies. He was Census Officer for Fox Township, in 1880. He is a Republican, and an influential citizen.

